



## Letha Turlington

February 20, 1911 - December 8, 2012

Letha Dale Hollis Turlington, age 101, born Feb. 20, 1911, died in Austin, Texas in the early hours of Dec. 8, 2012 after a life well lived. Letha, the daughter of James Walter Hollis and Ora Young Hollis, is predeceased by husband, Zellner Joel Turlington, son Joel Hollis Turlington and brother Gerald Hollis of Beeville. She is survived by sons, Boyce Lynn Turlington and wife Jill, and David Truett Turlington of San Antonio. She also leaves behind her beloved sister, Lois Hollis Tottenham, and her brother, Truett Hollis of El Paso. Letha's early years were spent in the East Texas towns of Apple Springs, where she was born, and Rusk, Diboll, Waskom and Nacogdoches. She was a preacher's daughter whose family moved to the towns where her father was pastor and assisted in building new Baptist churches. In 1928 she married Zellner Turlington who was a young high school principal in Waskom, Texas. While they had 3 young sons, Zellner attended Baylor Law School and after time spent in Arp, Beckville, Tatum, Nacogdoches and Beaumont, the family moved to Austin where Z.J. was appointed Assistant Attorney General of the State of Texas. In Austin, Z.J. served as deacon and Letha became a devoted member of First Baptist and later Hyde Park Baptist churches. Letha was the ultimate mother, grandmother and mother-in-law, a most caring, loving and unselfish individual who only sought to serve those she loved. Letha was a treasured Grandmother to Todd Turlington and wife Carrie, Stacy Dollar and husband Jerry, Kyle Turlington and wife Cecie, and Tyler Turlington and wife Charlotte of San Antonio. She was also loved by nine great

grandchildren. Her later years were spent in comfort at the Summit of Westlake Hills and more recently Park Bend Health Center where she enjoyed wonderful support and kindness of staff which is greatly appreciated by her family. Letha will be laid to rest in the family plot of the Tatum Cemetery in Tatum, Texas at 1:00 p.m on Wednesday December 12, 2012 under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson. Condolences may be made at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our sympathies on the passing of Aunt Letha. She was a very special Aunt and will be missed. We have so many fond memories of her. Its comforting to know that she is no longer in pain and is now with Uncle ZJ and Joel Hollis. Rest in Peace.

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**Debi and Henry Kelly** - December 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our prayers are with you and the family. Mrs. Turlington was very special to our mother, Mildred Zoeller, and our family. We will miss her.

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**Roma and Larry Wright and Rosemary and Ed Loeve** - December 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM