



Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks

May 1, 1917 - August 14, 2013

Louise Irwin Jacks, 96, a well-known former Henderson insurance agent and philanthropist, passed away after a brief illness on August 14, 2013, at an assisted living facility in Nacogdoches. Mrs. Jacks was born May 1, 1917 in Laneville to Grover and Margie Holland Irwin. She graduated from Laneville High School at age 15 and graduated from Baylor University at age 18. She was a high school teacher for many years and also taught at Kilgore Junior College. Additionally, she obtained her Master's Degree from Stephen F. Austin State University. After teaching, Mrs. Jacks enjoyed an extremely successful career with her husband, M.L. Jacks, in their American General Life Insurance Agency. Louise was the first woman in East Texas to obtain her CLU (Charter Life Underwriter) and she also reached the status of Life Time Member of the Million Dollar Round Table. In 1978, Louise and M.L. led the nation with more insurance in force with American General Life than anyone. A lifelong Baptist, Louise was a member of First Baptist Church of Henderson. After her husband died in 1985, she moved to Dallas and was a member of Highland Park Baptist Church. For the past 15 years, Mrs. Jacks was a faithful member of First Baptist Church of Nacogdoches.

She was preceded in death by her husband M.L. Jacks, her parents Grover and Margie Irwin, brother Thomas Irwin, sisters Faye Blanton, Margaret Edleman, and Mary Nell Duran, and her only nephew, David Blanton.

She is survived by one sister, Dr. June Irwin of Nacogdoches, nieces Judy Blanton Chappell and husband Larry of Colleyville, Davi Blanton Dixon, her husband Ron and son Rex, of Henderson, and Jennifer Chappell Fariss, her husband Landon and children Dylan and Kaylan, of Coppell.

An East Texas native, Mrs. Jacks was an active member of several local communities, where she always stepped out in her secret weapon for success - a hat. She rarely left home without her signature accessory. The "Louise Jacks Woman of the Year Award" was named in her honor. An outstanding young woman each year is recognized by acknowledging her achievements in the community and recognizes the recipient with Louise's favorite accessory - a hat. Louise traveled the world, visiting many countries during her lifetime. She visited countries on every continent. Her last memorable trip was to London and Paris in 2010 to celebrate Christmas and New Year's Eve.

Visitation will be from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Monday, August 19, 2013 at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. Graveside services will be at 3:00 p.m. at Lakewood Memorial Park with Dr. Allen Reid of Nacogdoches officiating. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church of Nacogdoches, Piano Fund, 411 North St., Nacogdoches, Tx 75961.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Memorial Park

Hwy 64 and 323
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 19. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

AUG 19. 3:00 PM (CT)

Lakewood Memorial Park
Hwy 64 & 323
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall

CB

“ I loved her! I always looked forward to seeing what she would be wearing and hearing her tell stories about growing up with her sisters and my mom and aunt. She always knew how to rock a hat and heels.

Cathy Bane-Ward - September 04, 2013 at 03:59 PM

VM

“ I have fond memories of Mrs. Jacks. She inspired each of us to realize our greatest potential. She taught by example and did not settle for mediocrity. She leaves a wonderful legacy to all who knew her and raised the education bar. I graduated Henderson High in 1955 and will always be grateful for her and for each teacher who helped me along the way.

Velta Gray Morris - August 19, 2013 at 03:26 PM

GE

“ Mrs Jacks was a good friend and good math teacher as was M. L Jacks who was both a teacher and coach duing for my years at Henderson High School. I enjoyed visting with her and June here in Nacogdoche. Mrs JAcks was very speach person who had many talents. I will miss seeing her. and visting with her.

George Millard

George - August 18, 2013 at 12:51 PM

JF

“ June, I wanted you to know I will have you in my prayers and thoughts. Louise was such a lady and a tribute to Henderson to have her as a former resident. Such wonderful memories she left for everyone. I will be remembering you. Jane Fahle

Jane Fahle - August 17, 2013 at 10:06 PM

CB

“ Clifton And Lane Boulware lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks



Clifton and Lane Boulware - August 17, 2013 at 11:05 AM

LA

“ Linda Hardy Abbott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks



Linda Hardy Abbott - August 16, 2013 at 05:45 PM

CW

“ Connie R Watson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks



Connie R Watson - August 16, 2013 at 10:36 AM

CP

“ *Cinny Pike lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks*



Cinny Pike - August 16, 2013 at 10:14 AM

SH

“ *Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks*



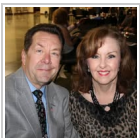
Sue Henderson - August 16, 2013 at 10:02 AM

BG

“ *Bonnie Geddie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks*



Bonnie Geddie - August 16, 2013 at 09:43 AM



“ *I saw Mrs. Jacks and her beloved sister many, many times at Hotel Fredonia and WalMart. She was always friendly, sophisticated, and interesting. Nacogdoches will never be the same without her, and neither will I.*

*John N. McGuire
Nacogdoches, TX*

John McGuire - August 16, 2013 at 09:38 AM

LM

“ LOTTIE MORRIS lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks



LOTTIE MORRIS - August 16, 2013 at 08:12 AM



“ Sherry Price lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks



Sherry Price - August 15, 2013 at 06:08 PM

ES

“ Mrs. Jacks was one of my favorite and most elegant teachers. She will be missed by all who knew here.

Elaline (Weick) Sabih - August 15, 2013 at 02:24 PM

CB

“ Cleta Ann B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mrs. Louise Irwin Jacks.



Cleta Ann B. - August 15, 2013 at 02:21 PM

MD

“ June and Judy,
My deepest sympathies are with you and the family at this time.
Louise will certainly be missed. A dear friend.

Sincerely,
Mozelle Duncan

Mozelle Duncan - August 15, 2013 at 11:40 AM