



## Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison

October 10, 1932 - November 28, 2025

Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison, 93, of Henderson, passed from this life on November 28, 2025, in Henderson. She was born on October 10, 1932, in Rusk County to the late W.M. and Virgie (Craddock) Beard. She lived most all of her life in Henderson and was a loving, devoted wife, mother and grandmother and dedicated her life to taking care of their home. A strong woman of faith, Mrs. Tennison was a founding and long-time member of Southside Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband James William "J.W." Tennison whom she married on September 16, 1950, daughter Sherry Switala, brothers Otha and Norman Beard, sister Ora Lee McKnight, and her son-in-law Phillip Burns.

Survivors include her children David Tennison and wife DeAnne of Tyler, Diana Burns of Tyler, and Gary Tennison of Henderson; grandchildren Amy Blanton, Taylor Tennison, Casey Wood, Elyse Manor, Emilie Gardiner, Tessa Martinez, Alicia Davis, and Dylan and Brenli Tennison; and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

A private family graveside service for Mrs. Tennison will be held at Ebenezer Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

Words of Comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## **Ebenezer Cemetery**

FM 3310  
Henderson, TX

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ Mike Walters lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



Mike Walters - December 07, 2025 at 09:37 AM

DC

“ David & Kathy Chapman lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



David & Kathy Chapman - December 05, 2025 at 10:44 PM

TS

“ We are so sorry for your loss.  
Craig and Paula



The Sweeneys - December 04, 2025 at 08:16 AM

SA

“ Steve and Sheila Alford lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



Steve and Sheila Alford - December 04, 2025 at 12:32 AM

PL

“ *David. So sorry to hear about your mom. My mom is also 93. I know you all will miss her.*  
*Paulette*



**paulette lee** - December 03, 2025 at 10:39 PM

CT

“ *Chuck & Lisa Towe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



**Chuck & Lisa Towe** - December 02, 2025 at 07:35 PM

BJ

“ *Bobby Joe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



**Bobby Joe** - December 02, 2025 at 11:44 AM

SH

“ *Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



**Sue Henderson** - December 02, 2025 at 11:16 AM

MB

“ Margaret G Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison



Margaret G Brown - December 02, 2025 at 08:02 AM

NT

“ Nora Tipps lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison



Nora Tipps - December 02, 2025 at 07:37 AM

BS

“ Bob And Monica Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison



Bob and Monica Sanders - December 02, 2025 at 06:24 AM

RM

“ Rosa And Hal Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison



Rosa and Hal Martin - December 01, 2025 at 11:41 PM

CC

“ *Chris Cavaliere lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



Chris Cavaliere - December 01, 2025 at 11:26 PM

GW

“ *Gary Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



Gary Wilkerson - December 01, 2025 at 09:10 PM

AR

“ *Alfred Ritter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



Alfred Ritter - December 01, 2025 at 09:09 PM

JR

“ *Judy Wylie Rushton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



Judy Wylie Rushton - December 01, 2025 at 08:54 PM

SO

“ *Mary Nell was like another Mother to me when Sherry and I were best friends. I am so honored that I got to do church with her later in her life and the stories she shared were so special to me. My love and prayers go out to your family*



**Stephanie Osteen** - December 01, 2025 at 07:16 PM

DB

*Thank you Stephanie*

**Diana Burns** - December 03, 2025 at 05:50 PM

MW

“ *Margaret B Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



**Margaret B Williams** - December 01, 2025 at 06:49 PM

WY

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.*

**Wilma Young** - December 01, 2025 at 05:51 PM

MG

“ *Missy Hacker & Steve Green lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



**Missy Hacker & Steve Green** - December 01, 2025 at 05:33 PM

SG

“ So sorry for your loss!



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**Scott Gibson** - December 01, 2025 at 05:24 PM

CG

“ Grew up at Southside Baptist. Known this lady all my life. Sweet and caring lady. So sorry, David for your loss.  
Candy Duncan Grant



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**Candy Grant** - December 01, 2025 at 01:24 PM

DB

Thank you Candy

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**Diana Burns** - December 03, 2025 at 12:23 AM

SR

“ Suzanne Reed lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



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**Suzanne Reed** - December 01, 2025 at 11:38 AM

ED

“ *Elaine Davis lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Elaine Davis** - December 01, 2025 at 09:13 AM

SW

“ *sharon whitehead lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**sharon whitehead** - December 01, 2025 at 09:06 AM

BH

“ *Barry Hampton lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Barry Hampton** - December 01, 2025 at 08:26 AM

BH

“ *Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Brent Hale** - December 01, 2025 at 08:09 AM

DK

“ Thinking of this family in Prayers  
Mary was a very sweet & kind Lady..

*David & Dianna Kelley*



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**David & Dianna Kelley** - December 01, 2025 at 03:31 AM

MG

“ Mark & Nancy Gibson lit a candle in memory  
of Mary Nell Tennison



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**Mark & Nancy Gibson** - November 30, 2025 at 11:32 PM

CN

“ Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a  
candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



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**Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb** - November 30, 2025 at 11:14 PM

BD

“ Dear Tennison Family my heart goes out to  
you. Mary Nell was a precious lady. I enjoyed  
serving with her when I was at southside  
Baptist church. I will be praying for you all! I  
ask that God give you comfort and strength



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**BobbieSue Dumas** - November 30, 2025 at 09:31 PM

CH

“ *Cheryl Harness lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Cheryl Harness** - November 30, 2025 at 09:21 PM

DB

“ *Damon and Jill Bassett lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Damon and Jill Bassett** - November 30, 2025 at 09:19 PM

SR

“ *Suzanne Reed lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Suzanne Reed** - November 30, 2025 at 09:02 PM

JD

“ *So sorry to read of the passing of Mary Nell. Loved her dearly! Prayers for all of you.*

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**Jeanie Dickeson** - November 30, 2025 at 08:56 PM

MG

“ *Mark & Nancy Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Mark & Nancy Gibson** - November 30, 2025 at 08:45 PM

BG

“ *Praying for peace and comfort for family. Bonnie Geddie*



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**Bonnie Geddie** - November 30, 2025 at 07:59 PM

CK

“ *Chris and Linda King lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Chris and Linda King** - November 30, 2025 at 07:30 PM

AL

“ *Annette Lochridge lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Annette Lochridge** - November 30, 2025 at 04:12 PM

NH

“ Nancy Herrington lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



Nancy Herrington - November 30, 2025 at 03:42 PM

TL

“ tori lee lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



tori lee - November 30, 2025 at 01:59 PM

MG

“ Mary Garrett lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison



Mary Garrett - November 30, 2025 at 01:56 PM

DB

*She loved you*

Diana Burns - December 03, 2025 at 05:52 PM

TR

“ *Tami Ritter lit a candle in memory of Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Tami Ritter** - November 30, 2025 at 01:33 PM

DA

“ *Donna Dorsey Aaron lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Donna Dorsey Aaron** - November 30, 2025 at 08:13 AM

WR

“ *Winnie Rameywinnieramey@aol.com lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Nell Tennison*



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**Winnie Rameywinnieramey@aol.com** - November 29, 2025 at 11:14 PM