



Mrs. Maxine Christian

January 5, 1933 - July 27, 2022

Mrs. Maxine Christian, 89, of Henderson, passed from this life on July 27, 2022, at The Center at Grande in Tyler. Mrs. Christian was born January 5, 1933, in Locksburg, Arkansas to the late Bill and Bess (Dorsey) Garner. She graduated from Ashdown High School and went on to Stephen F. Austin State University where she received her Bachelor's and Master's degrees. Maxine dedicated her life to education and taught in several school districts in Texas as well as in Maryland. She made Henderson her home in 1967 and taught everything from accounting to speech and drama at Henderson High School, spending most of her career teaching English and Science. Maxine also taught speech and drama at Panola College for a year before her retirement. She also enjoyed working in her yard and was active in the Henderson Women's Forum. Mrs. Christian was a long-time member of First Baptist Church in Henderson where she was a member of the Women's Bible Class.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Jerry Christian, and four brothers and a sister.

Survivors include her sons, Kevin Tankersley and wife Debbie of Rusk, and Jerry Michael Christian and wife Sarah Beth Moore of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; grandchildren, Benjamin, Joshua, Cassie, and Nolie; four great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Private family services for Mrs. Christian will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the HISD Alumni Association, Jerry Christian Scholarship, at PO Box 728, Henderson, TX 75653.

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

Tribute Wall

JW

“ *Thinking of Kevin & all the family.*



Jerry & Debbie May Watkins - August 06, 2022 at 09:37 PM

JC

“ *Mrs. Christian was one my best and most influential teachers at HHS.*

Jim Coode - August 05, 2022 at 11:47 PM

MD

“ *Mike Duncan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



mike duncan - August 04, 2022 at 11:36 AM

RD

“ *Ray Deason*



Ray Deason - August 03, 2022 at 11:02 AM



“ *Ruth Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



Ruth Mitchell - July 31, 2022 at 11:48 AM



“ *Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - July 31, 2022 at 01:47 AM



“ *Mrs. Christian was my JR English teacher at HHS. THE 1st day of class I discovered I was in her advanced ENGLISH class. I figured it had to be a scheduling fluke. Being a solid 3 (C) average English student I knew I was in over my head. So the office put me in one of her other classes to my relief. I enjoyed her as a teacher, etc. She came as a chaperone on a trip the Mixed Chorus to the opera at Dallas Music Hall. I then discovered her "dry witt" While we rode a yellow school bus to Dallas and back one Saturday evening. She was a nice person. May God Bless her.*

Jim Cowart - July 30, 2022 at 10:58 AM



“ Pam Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian



Pam Brown - July 30, 2022 at 09:51 AM



“ Amy Miley-Payne lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian



Amy Miley-Payne - July 29, 2022 at 09:48 PM



“ Joe White lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian



Joe White - July 29, 2022 at 06:02 PM



“ Hal And Rosa Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian



Hal and Rosa Martin - July 29, 2022 at 04:48 PM

BS

“ *Brad & Lou Ann Standard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



Brad & Lou Ann Standard - July 29, 2022 at 04:24 PM

CG

“ *Mrs. Christian was one of my favorite teachers. I had her for English in 9th grade and 10th, 11th for speech and drama. We had lots of fun together and took many trips. She was a wonderful person. Our deepest sympathy.*



Connye Poovey Guy - July 29, 2022 at 12:49 PM

SO

“ *Mrs Christian was my favorite teacher. She nudged me to do things I was afraid to do. Because if her I can speak in front of thousands without blinking. She was a one of a kind teacher and mentor. My prayers for the family. What a treasure you have had.*



Stephanie Osteen - July 29, 2022 at 12:40 PM

SL

“ *I was lucky to have Mrs Christian at HHS in 1969 for Speech and drama. She was such a sweet lady. Sending prayers to her family. Susan Russo Lingle.*



Susan Lingle - July 29, 2022 at 12:19 PM

DC

“ *David And Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



David and Jan Crow - July 29, 2022 at 11:37 AM

CS

“ *Christy (Townley) Staneart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



Christy (Townley) Staneart - July 29, 2022 at 11:07 AM

CW

“ *I was privileged to have this sweet lady as my teacher (speech and drama) at HHS. Loved her so much! She will be missed. Praying for comfort for the family.*

Cyndi Walker - July 29, 2022 at 11:00 AM

GW

“ *Gary Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



Gary Wilkerson - July 29, 2022 at 09:36 AM

MJ

“ *Mark Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



mark johnson - July 29, 2022 at 06:11 AM

Dianna Kelley

“ *Kevin & Family so sorry for your loss. Keeping You all In Love & Prayers*



David & Dianna Kelley

Dianna Kelley - July 29, 2022 at 02:41 AM

SH

“ *Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian*



Sue Henderson - July 29, 2022 at 02:21 AM

BG

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



Bonnie Geddie - July 29, 2022 at 12:07 AM



“ Donna Aaron lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian



Donna Aaron - July 28, 2022 at 09:26 PM



“ Kevin and Mike, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I have so many wonderful memories of her that span for decades! She was a precious lady that I know will be dearly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.



Jeanie (Gibson) Dickeson - July 28, 2022 at 06:32 PM



“ Maxine was very influential in my decisions regarding English and Theatre Arts. She touched and made an impact of many students during her lifetime. Thank you, sweet Maxine, for a job well done! Rest In Peace.

Jan Johnson Spann

Jan Johnson Spann - July 28, 2022 at 04:50 PM



“ Barbara J Jolley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxine Christian



Barbara J Jolley - July 28, 2022 at 04:45 PM