



Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow

March 10, 1928 - March 31, 2025

Ouida Jho Burk Bristow, a cherished mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away peacefully at the Autumn Leaves Nursing Center on March 31, 2025, just twenty-one days after celebrating her ninety-seventh birthday.

Born in Nacogdoches, Texas, on March 10, 1928 to Lonnie Rebecca Burk and Willie Edwin Burk, Ouida was the ninth of ten children. Growing up on a farm with two brothers and seven sisters, Ouida developed a strong work ethic and a love for sports, excelling in basketball and volleyball at Central Heights School in Nacogdoches, Texas. The family later moved to Houston, Texas where Ouida graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School. Ouida pursued a passion for numbers by earning a degree in bookkeeping from business school and worked for W.D. Haden Company in Houston for eight years.

Ouida met and married George Paul Bristow who had recently returned from fighting in World War II. They shared a loving marriage for 68 years until George's death in 2015. In 1959, the couple moved to Henderson where they owned and operated Lone Star Paint Company until retiring in 1992. A devoted member at First Baptist Church in Henderson, Ouida served in the children's nursery and later as a church greeter.

Ouida's love for sports was well-known, especially for the New York Yankees

and the Texas Longhorns, where both her children graduated. They recall playing in the backyard and hearing their mother's scream. A playmate would ask, "What's wrong with your mother?" The answer was always, "Mickey Mantle must have hit another home run." Grandchildren and great grandchildren fondly called Ouida "Honey", a name that reflects the warmth and love she shared with her family.

Ouida is preceded in death by her husband George Paul Bristow, her parents Lonnie Rebecca Burk & Willie Edwin Burk; her two brothers Ed & Gene Burk; and seven sisters Willie Mae Walker, Polly Oglesby, Mildred Crenshaw, Joan Robicheaux, Maxine Laughlin Binford, Gay Nell Harris Palmer, and Helen Lierman.

Ouida is survived by her children Larry George Bristow and Denise Bristow Wilhite; three grandchildren Kimberly Wilhite Orr (married to Ryan Orr), Ashley Bristow Boone (married to Kevin Boone), and Adam Benton Wilhite (married to Elizabeth Suffield Wilhite); and seven great grandchildren Brennan Bristow Orr, Austin David Orr, Clayton Robert Orr, Ashton Layne Boone, Beckham Robert Boone, Emma Caroline Wilhite, and Marilyn (Mimi) Benton Wilhite.

The family extends a heartfelt gratitude to the entire staff at Autumn Leaves Nursing Center for their exceptional care and support.

A celebration of Ouida's life will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at First Baptist Church, with Dr. David Higgs officiating, under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. Following the service, the family will receive friends at the church in the Family Life Center.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Children's Building Project at First Baptist Church of Henderson, 207 W. Main Street, Henderson, Texas,

75652.

Words of comfort may be offered online at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Memorial Park

1001 Van Buren St.
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
207 West Main
Henderson, TX 75652

Visitation

APR 8. 12:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
207 West Main
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - April 04, 2025 at 01:01 PM

GM

Larry and Denise, we are so sad to hear of your beautiful mother's passing, Dad loved her very much. We will be keeping your family in our prayers , may God comfort you💖 Love, Mack Burk, Bobby Burk, and Gaylynn Massey

Gaylynn Massey - April 05, 2025 at 05:16 PM

DL

Love this. Brought back great memories.

Diane Lierman-Abreu - April 07, 2025 at 05:36 PM

WP

“ *Ms. Ouida was my VERY favorite patient at Dr. Craig's office. She used to come in once a month for me to change out her contact lenses. Always wrapped me up with a hug and a kiss on my cheek. And always dressed to the nines with some UT orange (Hook em!) Anyhow, my thoughts and prayers are with your family because I know she is truly missed! My condolences, Wendy Paske.*

Wendy Paske - April 23, 2025 at 06:11 PM

SH

“ Sue HENDERSON lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



Sue HENDERSON - April 08, 2025 at 02:55 PM

BC

“ Mrs Ouida was a bright light for Jesus. She radiated love and joy. I will forever be blessed from the impact she had on my life.



Brooke Cartwright - April 08, 2025 at 08:15 AM

JC

“ Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



Jan Crow - April 07, 2025 at 10:06 PM

CW

“ She was such a sweet lady and will be very much missed. My condolences to all the family.

Cyndi Walker - April 06, 2025 at 05:21 PM

CH

“ Charles B Heath lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



charles B heath - April 05, 2025 at 10:06 PM

MW

“ Margaret B Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



Margaret B Williams - April 05, 2025 at 09:38 PM

NS

“ My heart goes out to Larry Bristow on the loss of his mother. YBIC, Neal Smith



Neal Smith - April 05, 2025 at 06:00 PM

GM

“ Gaylynn Massey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



Gaylynn Massey - April 05, 2025 at 05:28 PM

KF

“ *Kay Farley lit a candle in memory of Ouida Jho Burk Bristow*



Kay Farley - April 04, 2025 at 05:35 PM

ED

“ *Elaine Davis lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Elaine Davis - April 04, 2025 at 08:34 AM

SC

“ *Suzanne Cross lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Suzanne Cross - April 03, 2025 at 11:31 PM

CN

“ *Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Ouida Jho Burk Bristow*



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - April 03, 2025 at 11:30 PM

DW

“ Donna Wilder lit a candle in memory of Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



Donna Wilder - April 03, 2025 at 09:49 PM

RC

“ Bristow family, please know you are all in our prayers.



Randy Culp - April 03, 2025 at 09:13 PM

MA

“ Quida was an important part of FBC she was always in the foyer of the children's bldg. greeting everyone with a smile and a welcome. She will be missed by everyone.



Merlene Ainsworth - April 03, 2025 at 06:32 PM

TC

“ Tony and Anita Cavaliere lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Tony and Anita Cavaliere - April 03, 2025 at 02:51 PM

PP

“ *Pud Patteson lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Pud Patteson - April 03, 2025 at 02:47 PM

BH

“ *Barbara Hammett lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Barbara Hammett - April 03, 2025 at 01:43 PM

GW

“ *Gary Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Gary Wilkerson - April 03, 2025 at 11:37 AM

SA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Mrs. Bristow was a precious lady!!! She will be missed.*



Steve and Sheila Alford - April 03, 2025 at 09:34 AM

BH

“ Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Brent Hale - April 03, 2025 at 06:50 AM

VA

“ Vernon Arthus lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Vernon Arthus - April 03, 2025 at 12:24 AM

LT

“ LaNell Toon lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



LaNell Toon - April 02, 2025 at 10:41 PM

CK

“ Chris and Linda King lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Chris and Linda King - April 02, 2025 at 10:18 PM

JT

“ *A beautiful classy lady. Prayers for you and Denise .*



John Taylor - April 02, 2025 at 09:59 PM

CS

“ *Carl & Diana Smith lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Carl & Diana Smith - April 02, 2025 at 05:49 PM

AB

“ *One of my most beautiful cousins! She was pretty, sweet, loved so much by her Sitton/Burk families. My thoughts and prayers are with you all in the days to come.*



Amy Burk-Payne - April 02, 2025 at 05:46 PM

MM

“ *Mike Mason lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Mike Mason - April 02, 2025 at 04:33 PM

NR

“ Sweet sweet lady.



Nelwyn Richardson - April 02, 2025 at 04:13 PM

CA

“ The sweetest friendliest lady. Such a blessing to our church.



Carol - April 02, 2025 at 12:13 PM

BP

“ Prayers for family during this time. She is at peace now

Beth Pope

Beth Pope - April 02, 2025 at 11:38 AM

SR

“ Suzanne Reed lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Suzanne Reed - April 02, 2025 at 11:08 AM

PS

“ *She was always a beauty! Always concerned about others. She and Mr. George were reunited. I know she missed him terribly.*

Patty Shirey - April 02, 2025 at 10:53 AM

KS

“ *Sorry for your loss. I always loved going out to the paint factory and seeing her and your dad. Heaven got another angel. Praying for you and your family brother.*



Kelly Stroud - April 02, 2025 at 10:17 AM

MS

“ *Sympathy extended to all of Ouida's family. She was a special lady and dear friend to my mother, Willie Mae Freeman. I know they are rejoicing together in heaven now that she has arrived in her eternal home! Sharla McGee*



Milton and Sharla.McGee - April 02, 2025 at 10:01 AM

KH

“ *Mollie & Ken Hale*



Ken Hale - April 02, 2025 at 09:15 AM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jolley lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Barbara Jolley - April 02, 2025 at 08:35 AM

JC

“ *jim cowart lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



jim cowart - April 02, 2025 at 08:16 AM

GK

“ *Gene Kelsey lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Gene Kelsey - April 02, 2025 at 07:57 AM

MH

“ *MARTHA SUE HARPER lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



MARTHA SUE HARPER - April 02, 2025 at 07:35 AM

BH

“ *Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Brent Hale - April 02, 2025 at 06:39 AM

CS

“ *Carl & Diana Smith lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Carl & Diana Smith - April 01, 2025 at 11:59 PM

KF

“ *Keith and Mary Fuller lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow*



Keith and Mary Fuller - April 01, 2025 at 11:10 PM

WY

“ *So sorry for the loss of your sweet mother.*

Wilma Young - April 01, 2025 at 09:33 PM

TV

“ Tom Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Tom Vaughn - April 01, 2025 at 08:01 PM

RL

“ Randall Leath lit a candle in memory of Ouida Bristow



Randall Leath - April 01, 2025 at 07:43 PM

DC

“ David & Kathy Chapman



David & Kathy Chapman - April 01, 2025 at 06:41 PM

DA

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Donna Dorsey Aaron - April 01, 2025 at 06:31 PM

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Donna Dorsey Aaron - April 01, 2025 at 06:19 PM

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GW

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Gary Wilkerson - April 01, 2025 at 05:47 PM

MS

“ Monica And Bob Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Jho Burk Bristow



Monica and Bob Sanders - April 01, 2025 at 04:52 PM