



## Helen Armstrong

July 24, 1925 - January 6, 2011

Gayle Armstrong, 85, passed away on Thursday, January 6, 2011. Gayle was born in Weatherford, Oklahoma in 1925. Growing up she tap danced, sang, played piano, and enjoyed riding her horse Tony. In 1945 she married her high school sweetheart Jack Armstrong who had just returned from WWII combat in the South Pacific serving on the USS Holly. They returned to Weatherford and attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University. In 1951 they moved to Odessa, Texas and two years later to Ft. Worth where they raised a family. She and Jack had four children: Robert, Linda, Larry, and Craig. Later came seven grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild at last count. As a homemaker Gayle was an exceptionally good cook, enjoyed gardening, was an avid card player and often filled the house with piano music she played from the big band era. She sang alto in the Methodist Church choir for many years. In the 1980's she and Jack built a beautiful log house in the mountains of central Colorado where they hosted friends and relatives for many summers. She is survived by her husband of 65 years, Jack; Sons, Robert Armstrong and wife Nancy of Dalworthington Gardens, , Larry Armstrong and wife Janey of Hurst, Craig Armstrong and wife Gayle of Ft. Worth; daughter Linda Brown and husband Graham of Lexington; Also, grandchildren Jeff Smith of Houston, Jill Fitch of Melissa, Kristie Ellison of Bastrop, Kate Foley of Plano, Carolina Armstrong of Lufkin, and Kim Taylor of 29 Palms, California.



# Tribute Wall

LH

“ Dear Larry & the Armstrong Family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you & your family in this difficult time. What I remember about your Mom is that she was always at church on Sunday morning at Handley Methodist while we were growing up. I remember her always having the same sweet smile she does in this picture above & always a kind word to the members of the church. She and your Dad were part of what made growing up at Handley so wonderful. Thank you so much for letting my Mother know. If the weather does not allow us to attend the services tomorrow, please know our thoughts are with you. Love, Lisa Bryan Hill

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**Lisa Bryan Hill** - January 09, 2011 at 11:09 PM

JC

“ I have such fond memories of my aunt Helen Gayle and my uncle Jack from my childhood. It was always great visiting them and playing with my younger cousins. Helen Gayle always had such a bubbly cheerful attitude. Her and my mother were best friends and delighted in getting together, recounting childhood memories and teasing each other. They loved to laugh and eat sweets (particularly pies). She was a great cook and it was such a pleasure in eating her meals. I will always cherish her memories and thank the Lord that I was related to her and blessed by her presence in my life. She will be greatly missed by all who ever had the fortune of knowing her! I know that Heaven is ringing with her and my Mom's laughter and that they are home with their Lord. God bless their presence!

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**Jerry L Cooper** - January 09, 2011 at 11:35 AM