



Helen Kirkland

April 7, 1932 - September 17, 2009

Burleson - Helen Joyce Russell Kirkland, 77, passed away on Sept. 17, 2009. Helen was born April 7, 1932 in McKinney to the late Kermit and Julia Bell Russell. She grew up in McKinney and was the oldest of three children. Helen and J.C. Kirkland, Sr. were married April 5, 1948 in Sherman. They were married for 61 years. She was a homemaker and beloved wife and mother. Helen and J.C. had seven children. She is survived by her husband, J.C. Kirkland, Sr.; sons, James and Richard; daughters, Judy, Shirley, Gloria, Karen and Tina; brothers, Floyd and Holbert; 11 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Tribute Wall

SS

“ Dear Shirley & Family, May God's peace be with all of you at this time of sorrow.

Susan Sams - September 29, 2009 at 10:18 AM

SM

“ I remember how sweet and loving grandma always was when she came to visit us in Florida. She always treated my children like she could eat them up.

Stephanie McCann - September 28, 2009 at 02:57 PM

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“ . A loving mother of 7 children
. A nurse
. A chief
. A playmate
. A friend
. A good listener
. A seamstress
I Love you & I will miss you mom. Forever in my heart and dreams.

Shirley Dunlap (Kirkland) - September 28, 2009 at 11:53 AM

DK

“ Grandma, I will always love you and carry you in my heart. You are the greatest Grandmother anyone could ever ask for. Bye for now until we see each other again with our Father in Heaven.

Love always your grandson,

Daniel

Daniel Kirkland - September 22, 2009 at 03:59 PM

JJ

“ Mom i will miss you so much.I know that we will meet again with our heavenly father. See you latter. Your loving son (james) johnny.

James c. kirkland jr. - September 22, 2009 at 07:58 AM

HF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Hartley Family - September 21, 2009 at 09:49 AM

MM

“ My memories of holidays at mamaws and papaws house are very dear to me. We have always been close to them. I remember when she used to run me out of the kitchen because i was picking at the turkey.

Michele McCann - September 20, 2009 at 10:21 PM

JM

“ I know i didnt usually comeover and see her all the time which now i wish i did but had so many good memories about her. I remember like it was yesterday when she russtles my hair and give me a kiss on the cheek and call me turkey. She lit up the room no matter what mood was in the air. she was the center of attention all the time cracking jokes or just telling lifetime stories that we always love to hear. But i think the one thing that made her happy was to see her great grandson(me) to sing kareoke for her and james kirkland on their 50 year anniversary. I remember like yesterday i was singing smoke rings in the dark while her bright face came to the front and was waving at me then i started to tear up as well as she did. everytime i think about that moment i smile then cry. but i know shes sitting on a bench behind them pearly gates with her mother just reuniting and talking and waiting for all of us to reunite with them. R.I.P grandma ill see you soon you will be missed

John McCann - September 20, 2009 at 10:21 PM

TM

“ I remember her and papas 60th aniv. She had so much fun and she loved to hear her grandchildren and great grand children singing to them.

tanya mccann - September 20, 2009 at 01:14 PM

GL

“ a loving mother til her last breath she allways gave her all and did without so much so we could have what we needed in life we will allways remember her phrase WAIT UNTIL YOUR FATHER GETS HOME.... i hope to see you again i love you tell grandma and grandpa we love them all

gloria - September 20, 2009 at 01:17 AM