



Peggy Louise (Thomas)

October 23, 2012

September 29, 1937 - October 15, 2012

Biography

Peggy Louise Guy (Thomas) “Mom” was born September 29th, 1937 in Joplin, MO to John Welton and Juanita (Fraker) Shanks and passed into Heaven on Monday morning, October 15, 2012 in the hospital in Waco, TX after a brief illness. She had one older brother, James Ralph. They were raised by their paternal grandparents in Carlsbad, New Mexico where she graduated from high school, before going on to beautician school. She and Franklin Delano Hamme married and had four children: Daniel, Terry, Russell, and Lorina. They divorced and she later was married to husband Robert William Thomas “Bob“, Sr. until his death in 1978. Together they had nine children: Roberta, Robert Jr., Rita, Richard, Ronda, Rebecca, twin daughters Roxanne and Ramona, and Roy. A time after Bob’s death, she was briefly married to Frank Guy.

Our Mom had a big, strong, loving heart and helped many people even when her circumstances were dire. She once said that she never considered herself “poor”.

She listed highly among some of her life adventures...a dance with Elvis in a club in El Paso! She collected frogs, watched SyFy, loved to dance, read

westerns, and loved the Twilight series. In 1977 she, son Terry, and husband Bob were in a serious truck accident in the Chicken Creek area where they lived. Mom's neck and back were broken, but she managed to crawl out of the truck, put her feet against the door and push to straighten her back before the ambulance came. This mostly ended one of her favorite pastimes, gardening. Her favorite flower was roses, but she also loved lilacs. She lived the rest of her life in frequent pain and could not work, but was a homemaker who loved her family fiercely and despite the loss of Bob in 1978 when their youngest child Roy, was only a year old...kept her home together. She was a very tough, strong, woman of conviction and abiding spirit, but also possessed a gentle, loving, comforting hand, faith in God and love for Jesus, and proudly instilled these attributes in her children.

After moving to Corsicana, TX with Frank Guy and most of her children, she and her sons Terry and Russell owned and operated County Line Tires, and B & T Demolition there until their closing in 1997. Most of her younger children finished their schooling there, and much of the family continues to reside there with their own families.

Always, her children and grandchildren remained very dear and close in her heart, and she frequently visited our homes especially if there were some trouble with which she hoped to help us. We were always on her mind. Her love, comfort, help, wisdom, determination and strength live on in us.

She was preceded in death by her parents and grandparents, husband Robert Thomas, brother James "Ralph" Shanks, grandson Elias Compoz, daughter Rebecca Huerta (Thomas), great grandson Tres Eugene Shepard, and great granddaughter Skylar Gene Shepard.

Those who survive her memory are Daniel "Dan" Hamme and wife Maudie, Terry Hamme and wife Sarah, Russell Hamme, Lorina Shepard (Hamme) and

husband Billy, Roberta McClain (Thomas) and husband Tony, Robert Thomas and wife Haven, Rita Griesenbech (Thomas) and partner Tylo Adame, Richard Thomas and wife Kimberlee, Ronda Coleman (Thomas), Roxanne Gathrang (Thomas) and husband Hyginus, Ramona Rubio (Thomas) and husband Esteban, Roy Thomas and wife Angie, family friend Billy Joe "JoJo" Palms, Jr., and numerous grandchildren, step-grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

"Always in our hearts"...We love and cherish the memory of our Mom and Grandmother.

Services

Graveside Service

Friday, October 19, 2012 at 11:00AM

Cookson-Proctor Cemetery

Facts

Born: September 29, 1937

Place of Birth: Joplin, MO

Death: October 15, 2012

Place of Death: Waco, Texas

Occupation: Homemaker