



## Ida Reed

March 19, 2011

Ida Lee Reed, age 99, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday March 19, 2011. She was born on November 15, 1911 in Coleman County, TX, to the late Simeon Brunion (SB) Jarrell and Nora Elizabeth (Brown) Jarrell.

While her husband was away during WWII, she opened and ran a put-put golf and driving range. In the early 50's, she sold Penny-Wise plastics and became regional manager of those pre-Tupperware products. Then in the late 50's and through the early 70's, she established one of the premier antique shops in the south, selling period French, English and American antiques to customers from around the world, including many noted celebrities and entertainers.

But above all, her greatest accomplishment was how she lived and shared her life as a reflection of her faith in God. Ida Lee was a life-long student of the Bible helping many of her friends and family understand how God's Word could positively impact their lives. From her childhood game of "playing church" with her younger brother and sister, to her deep devotion to studying the Word, to holding weekly prayer meetings at her home, to talking with many of her family over a cup of coffee and her famous toast, she was fervent in her willingness to listen and share the message that God gave her.

Befitting the endearment of her family, Ida Lee was called by many names: Sister, Aunt Ida Lee, Aunt Dee, Aunt Ike, and Bee Bee, which has special meaning to her grandchildren. Each morning, her husband would say to her "Bye, baby" as he left for work. Her oldest grandchild tried to imitate his

grandfather but could only say "bb". This name stuck and she soon became our wonderful Bee Bee, with even many of her friends calling her by this name.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Thomas Ezekiel Reed; sons Thomas Jarrell Reed and Jerry Don Reed; five sisters, Lillie Roberson, Myrtie Simmons, Ethel Riddle, Etta Mae Spencer and Geneva Alexander; three brothers, John Hosea Jarrell, Jonathan Prentice Jarrell, and Ural Dub Jarrell.

She is survived by her four grandchildren: Gregory Don Reed of Hot Springs, Donald Wayne Reed of Belle Vernon, PA, Gina Latrice Wilson of Colleyville, TX and Derric Thomas Reed of Hot Springs; two daughters-in-law: Eveleen (Ware) Reed and Patsy (Moss) Reed, both of Hot Springs; six great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and friends. The family gives special thanks to her wonderful caregivers and the staffs of West Shores Senior Living Community, St. Joseph Hospital and the Advance Care Hospital at St. Joseph.

A celebration of her life will be held at the First Pentecostal Church of Hot Springs on Tuesday, March 22, 2011. Visitation will be in the sanctuary of the church beginning at 9:00am day of the service, with the memorial following at 11:00am. Interment will be at Crestview Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ Greg, With Sincere Sympathy in the loss of your Grandmother.  
Ronnie Murray

Ronnie Murray - March 22, 2011 at 05:52 PM

ES

“ Greg, It was such a pleasure getting to know your sweet  
Grandmother and a pleasure helping take care of her. My Sincere  
Sympathy, Evan Sanders

Evan Murray Sanders - March 22, 2011 at 05:51 PM

DH

“ Aunt Ida Lee was my great aunt. Ske was an outstanding woman of  
GOD. As a kid, on vacation back here from California, we would  
visit her. We will miss .you Aunt Ida Lee.God Bless,Dennis & Miriam  
Honold

Dennis Ray Honold - March 22, 2011 at 09:40 AM

BL

“ Greg, Jeanne and I are so sorry for you and your family's loss. We  
know how special she was to all of you. Our thoughts and prayers  
are with all of you during this difficult time. We'll be in touch soon so  
we can visit with you.

Bill Nipper Jeanne Longinotti - March 21, 2011 at 09:31 AM

AM

“ I feel that I have been blessed to have gotten the chance to know Ida Lee and her family over the past few years at West Shores. She was a true Southern Lady with a wonderful sense of humor. She always brightened my day with the stories of her life. And she loved to give me "lessons" about her numerous antiques. I will miss starting my days with a "baby" or a "dahling". I will forever hear "At least from Memphis" when I see someone "dressed up". Ida Lee taught me a lot over the last few years, about a gentler time, about antiques, about God and about myself. My thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time. She was a great lady who will be terribly missed by all who knew and loved her.

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**Angela Mills** - March 19, 2011 at 10:48 AM

JG

“ Greg and family, I am so sorry to hear about Ida Lee. She is part of many great memories I have of West Shores. Her smile, her sense of humor (she always made me laugh when she called me the "first lady") and her grace. She was an amazing lady and I know she will be missed by so many people. God bless you all.

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**Jenifer Gregg** - March 19, 2011 at 10:40 AM