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Don't cry for Gladys (Pat) Dugger. Celebrate! Smile! She is in Heaven; she is doing fine. If you cry, cry for those that never got to know her. Those of us that did are truly fortunate. We cry for our own loss. Though we might be sad we will continue to remember her and live by her example. Simply, Mama was love. She loved the Lord and her church and was faithful to her morning devotionals; they came first. Yet she still took time to read Peanuts with her son and give a cookie to her dog. She loved her family and friends and fretted over ways she could help make their lives better; and she did indeed make a wonderful life for us. Remember her by the way she would write "Smile!" and "God Bless" on the back of every envelope so that whoever saw it might have a better day. Remember her love for the animals, and how she mixed sugar water for humming birds and cried at ASPCA commercials. Remember that all you had to do to incite the excitement of a furry little dachshund was to hug her and say, "Buddy, that's my Mama." Remember her sitting on the dock with a fishing pole and Papa cleaning the fish and the treats she made for us after fishing. Remember her love of laughter and fun and her relentless quest to help Mario rescue the princess. Remember her love for Square Dancing and how she loved making dresses for the other dancers even more. Remember her beautiful flower beds that she tended so carefully. But especially remember her love for the Vincas that grew in the cracks of the sidewalk and every other place they weren't supposed to. Remember her by the pots of spaghetti, pecan pies, pounds of Pickwick potatoes and vegetables from her garden that she gave to everyone she could find. Remember her giving to every little charity that tugged at her heart and how she never let anyone she heard about go hungry. Remember her by her talents: Her needlepoint, cross-stitch, sewing, crochet, knitting, any sort of handwork craft... She knitted hats for the homeless and made sleeping mats to protect them from the cold ground. Remember her for the most special gift she would give; the best hugs ever.



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Remember that she raised her children to love Jesus. What more could you ask? In the end, when there was not much left to give, she fought to hold on so she could do more. But the Good Lord took her hand, said she had done enough, and blessed her home. She gave up the ghost of her soul and is now in Heaven blessed with untold stars in her crown. I imagine she is trying to share her stars with less fortunate angels. Gladys may be gone from this place but she is alive in our hearts. She is survived by her sons Michael Dugger and William Dugger, her grandchildren Teresa Williams, Michael McHughes, Matthew Dugger and Kyle Dugger, five great-grandchildren and little dog named Buddy that is still looking for his Mama. The family will receive friends from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, January 29 and the funeral service 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 30 at Memorial Park Funeral Home. Burial to follow service at Memorial Park Cemetery. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave. Memphis, TN 38119, (901)767-8930, "Behind the Stone Wall" Location: Westlawn Arrow Color: White



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Howard posted:

Bill, you and all your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Find peace in knowing your Mom has gone on from this physical earth, but her loving spirit will forever be with you because it has a place to live on within your heart. We send our condolences to the Dugger family. Your friends the Tuckers

January 29 at 1:54 PM

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Linda posted:

You don't know me, but I just read your Mom's obituary in Monday's Commercial Appeal. That was such a beautiful tribute to her. I think your Mom would have been so proud and honored that she was so loved. I don't think I have ever read anything as heartfelt before. I am so sorry for your loss. I know she was a very special person that will be forever missed. Linda Murray

January 27 at 4:06 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gladys by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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