

Date of Birth **Sep 15, 1927** 

Date of Passing

Jan 30, 2016

## JIMMIE ELGON PHILLIPS

Mrs. Jimmie Elgon (Riggins) Phillips, passed away on Wednesday, November 30, 2016 in Plano, Texas at the age of 89 years 2 months 15 days.

She was born on Thursday September 15, 1927 in Comanche, Oklahoma, the daughter of Robert Elgon and Jimmie Edith (Payne) Riggins. She graduated from Vanoss High School in 1945 and earned a Bachelor's degree in Home Economics from East Central State College in Ada, Oklahoma. She received her Vocational Home Economics certification from the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University.

Mrs. Phillips taught Home Economics in Stilwell, Oklahoma from 1950 through 1957 and at Cobb High School from 1958 through 1966. In 1966, she began teaching at Durant Junior High and then moved to Durant High School in 1969 where she taught until her retirement in 1986. She moved from Durant to Garland, Texas in 2012 to be closer to her family. She enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren, gardening, sewing, quilting, fishing, and camping at the lake. One of her great satisfactions was seeing former students and hearing them talk about

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how they were using the things they had learned in her classes and how they were teaching their children those things.

Mrs. Phillips was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie Phillips, parents and two sisters, Bobbie Riggins and Billie Ruth Lycan.

She is survived by her daughter Sharon Kay Phillips of Garland, Texas; son John Riggins Phillips and his wife Amy of Pflugerville, Texas; granddaughter Maggie Phillips of Grand Prairie, Texas; grandson Jonathan Phillips and his wife Deanna along with their son, her great-grandchild Anderson of Midlothian, Texas; and her sister Martha Ann Riggins Pope of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Visitation will be held Sunday, December 4th from 4 to 5 pm at Holmes Coffey Murray Funeral Home. A memorial service will be held at the funeral home on December 5, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. with Bro. Anthony Williams officiating. Burial will be at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Ada, Oklahoma on December 5, 2016 at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Ave., 7th fl., New York, NY 10001 or at www.alzfdn.org in Mrs. Phillips name.

Family and friends may send online condolences and view tributes at www.holmescoffeymurray.com.

Services are under the direction of Holmes Coffey Murray Funeral Home, Durant, Oklahoma.



## **Memories of JIMMIE**



