



## Marilyn Sheffield

March 31, 1935 - October 6, 2019

On Sunday, October 6, 2019, Marilyn Mitchell Sheffield passed away at the age of 84 in Marietta, Georgia. Marilyn was born on March 31, 1935 in Bonham, Texas to Ruth and O.R. Mitchell. Not long after her birth, Marilyn's family moved to Henderson, Texas, then later moved to Beaumont, Texas in 1941. Marilyn graduated from Beaumont High School in 1953, and married Tommy Sheffield later that year. She and Tommy remained together for 36 years.

Marilyn was raised in the Church of Christ and remained a member throughout her life. She had a beautiful alto voice and really enjoyed singing Christian hymns. Marilyn also enjoyed many other types of music, including Christmas music. She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother and an excellent cook who especially enjoyed baking. Marilyn was also an avid reader and took pride in keeping up with current events, politics, information about mental health, and many other topics that interested her.

Due to the nature of Tommy's work, Marilyn and her family moved to many places over the years. The places she lived after Beaumont included Port Lavaca, Texas; Lafayette, Louisiana; Evansville, Indiana; Albemarle, North Carolina; Pocos de Caldas, Brazil; Henderson, Kentucky; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Sao Paulo, Brazil; and Atlanta, Georgia. Marilyn made new friends everywhere she lived, and kept in touch with all of them with Christmas cards and newsletters until she developed dementia.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her parents and by Tommy. She is survived by her four siblings: Carol Vinzant, Robert Mitchell and his wife Jane, Jill Faulkner and her husband Ron, and Jan Terrell and her husband Norman. Marilyn is also survived by her four daughters: Brenda Stephens, Becky Blackman and her husband Roger, Janie Sheffield, and Lisa Lancaster and her husband David. Marilyn had 4 grandchildren and one great grandchild: Jay and Cammi Blackman, Paul Stephens (married to Jenny) and his son Elton, and Kai Lancaster.

Marilyn's burial and funeral service will take place at the Ebony Cemetery on Friday

October 18, 2019. Her casket will be open for viewing from 11AM to 12 noon at the cemetery, and the funeral service will take place at noon in the Ebony Community Center, followed by a meal.

The family is accepting flowers or donations, and requests that memorial donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association at <http://www.act.alz.org> Notifications of memorial donations should be sent to Lisa Lancaster at PO Box 1197, Clark, CO 80428.

# Cemetery

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## **Ebony Cemetery**

144N CR 538

Mullin, TX, 76864

# Events

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**OCT 18 Visitation** 11:00AM - 11:30AM

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Ebony Cemetery

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**OCT 18 Memorial Service** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Ebony Community Center

F4H2+V2 Buffalo, Texas, Mullin, TX, US, 76864

# Comments

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**Heartland Funeral & Cremation Service** - October 18, 2019 at 09:03 PM