



Grace Purcell Tipton

August 16, 1923 - February 7, 2022

Grace Ruth Purcell Tipton was born to Harry and Mary Shoemaker in Udall, KS on August 16, 1923. She passed away peacefully in Sanger, TX on February 7, 2022. Grace is survived by son, Ronald Kay Purcell; daughter, Shari Sue Milligan (Chris); 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews. Grace is preceded in death by her two husbands, parents, grandparents, and siblings. Grace lived 98 1/2 years and would light up the room when she walked in. She raised a son and daughter and influenced every grandchild and greats. Most called her "Gamy" and so many wanted her to adopt them into her family. Grace loved to watch & follow football and baseball, and loved our Family Fantasy Football league for over 30 years. We retired the FF trophy last year when she won; she said it was staying with her forever! She loved bowling in her younger years, and playing slots & doing puzzles in her later years. She gave the best birthday & Super Bowl parties you could ever go to. She loved all the holidays, and especially loved to give presents on Christmas and play pranks on April Fools Day. Grace has touched the lives of everyone who came into contact with her. She has a saying about her that goes, "Gracie, you got any more BRIGHT IDEAS?" Grace was loved by too many to name, and was the most amazing woman to meet. She truly deserved to be called "An Amazing Woman Called Grace" A funeral service will be held 2pm March 7, 2022 at The Wildwood Chapel at Restland Memorial Park.

Cemetery Details

Restland Memorial Park

13005 Greenville Avenue
Dallas, TX 75243

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAR 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

The Wildwood Chapel at Restland Memorial Park
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Tribute Wall



“ Even as a young child, just hearing her name brought me comfort. Gamy picked me up from school until I was 16 years old. I spent everyday after school, every summer, all school holidays, and each Sunday at church with her, even when I was in my 20's. During this time I learned from her. She brought normalcy to my life and modeled to me how to be a good wife, mother, future mother-in-law, friend and future grandmother.

When I would say thank you, she would say I could repay her by someday doing the same for my own grandchildren. She knew I was vulnerable because of my past and never failed to remind me that she loved me like a daughter. Gamy would say on every card and at each goodbye, “I love you Punkie, always have, always will”, and I truly knew it. She had a gift for making everyone she loved feel like the most important person in the world. Gamy touched so many in her lifetime, but for me, she took a young girl who could have been so lost, and gave her a family. She taught me to Never go to bed angry, and to Wake up each day happy that God had given another day, That Everything looks better in the morning, That Things happen in relationships and forgiving is important, and When you forgive, you must forget. She taught me to decorate Christmas trees and how to wrap beautiful presents. She paid me \$.25 under the table to eat tomatoes, she taught me that grapefruit can be baked in the oven, that it's ok to eat ketchup on scrambled eggs, to salt my cantaloupe and that Iceberg is the only lettuce, never eat the weeds. She always encouraged me and said If you're not happy with something, just change it. She took me to get every Christmas, Easter, Homecoming and Prom dress I had. She taught me about class and how to have it, That appearance was important and to Never wear old Tshirts to bed. There is an appropriate dress for bedtime as well and To Always smell good..... Ladies wore perfume. She was creative and while with her, I watched her make macromae, paint pottery, make floral arrangements, play the organ, bake wedding cakes, rearrange furniture, wallpaper walls, and plan the finest parties ever. I am who I am today because of who she was to me and I will forever be grateful that God blessed me with Gamy. She was the best part of me and I will strive be like her for the rest of my own life, as she will never be forgotten. We know she is now with her maker, because not only did she believe but she lived her life according to Jesus. She not only talked the talk, but she walked the walk. Even though we mourn her absence today, we know she is now home. Gamy, what a truly beautiful mark you made on my life, thank you! This is not goodbye, but see you later. I love you, Gamy. Always have, always will. 💕🦋 Punkie



KD

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Grace. We had such wonderful times together along with our mutual dear friend Sylvia. I will always remember the Super Bowl parties that she hosted as well. I was so glad to be a part of her life. She will be greatly missed.

I'm enclosing a photo from early 2004 of her and Sylvia on an NY trip we were on together.



Keith Dold - March 08 at 03:46 PM

WC

“ With love the Masons and Chamberlins purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Grace Purcell Tipton.



With love the Masons and Chamberlins - March 07 at 12:14 PM

RE

“ I met this sweet lady about 13 years ago! And I couldn't tell you what or why but we had a instant connection. I enjoyed talking to her and Shari and Chris everytime I seen them! Some Days I would find myself looking for her! She is and will be dearly missed! She most definitely made a huge impact in my life and even tho I'm not there today to celebrate her life know y'all our in my thoughts and prayers! I love y'all Shari and Chris and especially sweet Grace may you rest now!

Reca - March 07 at 10:40 AM

DP

“ I love the picture. I, always, remember her laughing, making faces, and having fun. When Joanne and I visited one summer, she played jacks with us and took us all to the swimming pool in the afternoons. One time she was sharing her picture albums and gave me a picture of Uncle Kay, Uncle Harry, and my father from the 1940's. She was just a joy to be around. Know she is making the family smile in heaven, too!

Diana Place - March 07 at 10:13 AM

BE

She lived with grace her entire life. She was the loving, caring aunt that every family treasures. She was fun and funny. The hardest we laughed together was when she sent 60 birthday presents to me on my 60th birthday and I sent her 60 thank you cards. I miss her smile. her Texas twang and her joy. She is celebrating now in heaven with my mother and the rest of her family. Thanks for the memories, Aunt Grace.

Beverly Ellis - March 07 at 10:56 AM