



Doris Jane Gohlke

July 7, 1932 - June 26, 2015

Dateline: George West, Texas

Doris Jane (Bridges)Pawelek Gohlke went to be with the Lord she loved on June 26, 2015 at the age of 82. She was born to William T. Bridges and Elmina Ann West Bridges of July 7, 1932 in the Charlotte, Texas area. The youngest of nine children. She was the only short child of the family like her grandmother Mary Ann Millsap West. However, unlike her grandmother, she was a tomboy deluxe and even though she was little, the boys in grade school always picked her first for football as she was tougher than any of them. She said it was because her six older brothers always used her for the football. She was the starting server of the volleyball team in high school all four years and played basketball on the very first girl's team at Charlotte High School where she graduated third out of her 30 member class. She said it was because she was one of the few that turned in her homework regularly and on time. Doris was a farm girl, she was great at milking cows, she could plant and plow with the best of them, her job was to drive the tractor at peanut thrashing time.

Doris married Ben. J. Pawelek on December 11, 1950, the year she graduated high school. She raised three children: Josephine Lyen, Ben Daniel, and Jimmy Pawelek. She was a wonderful mother who took her responsibility as a parent seriously. Though not the smartest, she had great common sense, which is a great help in raising children. She was a housewife, farmer/rancher until her divorce and then she went to work at Dairy Queen in Alice. She left in

1969 to take care of her mother in Pleasanton where she worked as a CNA for several years until she met Nelson Gohlke and they were married on November 29, 1975. She and Nelson shrimped for a few years in Seadrift, Texas after her retired from Haliburton, then they moved to George West, Texas in 1985 to be closer to their children. She was a member of the First Baptist Church there. Her hobbies were cake decorating, quilting and her grandchildren which she dearly loved.

Ms Gohlke was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Nelson N. Gohlke; her sisters Velva Mae Bridges DuBose and Donna Lee Bridges Camp; brothers Jasper, Granvel, Rayford, Erskin Bridges' her son Jimmy Pawelek and her grandson Ryan Daniel Summerville.

Survivors include brothers Hereford H. and Verlon B. Bridges; her daughter Josephine Lyen Pawelek (Kenneth) Schuenemann, son Ben Daniel (Laurel); grandchildren: Scott (Kathy) Noble, Sara (John P.) Benavidez, Nathan (Rebecca) Summerville, Elizabeth (Charles) Smith, Jonathan Schuenemann; 11 great-grandchildren: Henry and Brandon Noble; Cecilia, Sierra, and Elena Benavidez; Daniel and Daven Pawelek; Lillian and Violet Summerville; Ryan C, Smith and Chloe Summerville,

Visitation will be Sunday, June 28, 2015 from 4-8 PM at Roberson Funeral Home, Three Rivers, Texas.

Funeral Service will be Monday, June 29, 2015 at 10 AM at the First Baptist church in George West, Texas with Brother Gholke officiating the service.

Pallbearers are Scott and Henry Noble, Kenneth and Jonathan Schuenemann, Nathan Summerville and Charles Smith.

Cremation to follow.

Services entrusted to Roberson Funeral Home, Three Rivers, Texas.

Tribute Wall

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Tom Camp - June 29, 2015 at 03:21 PM

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“ *I am so sorry that Aunt Janie is no longer living. Her eyes sparkled and the corners of her eyes would crinkle up. Then she would rear back her head laugh. For years she took wonderful care of her mother when Grandma was in a nursing home. I love her and will miss her. My dad, Herford, loved his "little-ist" sister hugely. She was a dark-haired beauty and needed no cosmetics. Her beauty came from within. Sleep well, Aunt Janie. You have earned peace, no worries, no pain.*

Brenda Bridges - June 28, 2015 at 04:22 AM