



Joyce Dale Shotwell

March 24, 1940 - September 6, 2020

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch

Joyce “Dale” Shotwell, 80, passed away on Sunday, September 6th, 2020, in Collierville, TN. Born at home in Quitman, Texas on March 24th, 1940 to Leba Mae and Vinson Monroe Burks, Dale grew up in Irving, TX.

Dale attended Irving HS. She met Tom Shotwell on a blind date at the age of 16 and they were married on June 28, 1957, in Irving, TX. During Tom’s service in the Navy, the two moved around the country and lived in Corpus Christi, TX, Whidbey Island, WA, Jacksonville, FL, Ponca City, OK and later settled in the Dallas, TX area where they raised their children – Tommy, Dawn, and Chris. Dale worked for several companies and organizations in accounting and payroll. While working and raising children she took college classes where she expanded her knowledge of accounting and payroll. She was an active member at St. Peter’s Episcopal Church in McKinney, Texas. She was beloved by many parishioners and considered her friends at St. Peter’s her second family. She passionately served on the Vestry and was involved with many committees and small groups. She was most recently a member of Church of the Holy Apostles in Collierville, TN.

Dale and Tom shared their love of dance and were involved in a square-dancing club where they traveled with friends to compete. They also enjoyed

traveling to Colorado where they briefly lived. After Tom passed, Dale enjoyed socializing, going on cruises with her sister, Ozell, playing bridge with friends, and enjoyed her book club. Dale's biggest passion in life was her family and spending time with them as often as she could.

She leaves behind her children Tommy Shotwell (Malinda) of Corning, CA; Dawn Hess (Robert) of Alpharetta, GA; and Chris Shotwell (Kristy) of Olive Branch, MS. She was the proud grandmother of David (Andrea), Daniel, April, Alicia (Brandon), Eva (Nathan), Alison (Kevin), JT, and great-grandmother of Madison, Sophia, and Elliot.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Shotwell; father, Vinson Burks; and mother, Leba Burks. She is survived by her siblings, Ozell Hill of Dallas, TX, Lynda Phillips of Winnsboro, TX, James Burks of Quitman, TX, and Bobbie Edwards (Bob) of Georgetown, TX and many loving nieces and nephews.

Services are being handled by Coleman Funeral Home in Olive Branch, MS. A service in celebration of Dale's life will be scheduled at a later date at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 511 W. Foote Street, McKinney, TX.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to:

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, McKinney, TX

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN (www.Stjude.org)

Agape Child and Family Services, Memphis, TN (www.agapemeanslove.org)

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