

Alma Lucille "Lou" Pickering, 84 years of age, of Pampa, Texas, entered into Heaven on the evening of August 25, 2020 in Pampa. She was born on March 4, 1936 in Ada, Oklahoma to Floyd and Lillie Stone.

Lou was born and raised during the Great Depression and as times were extremely tough, her family were migrant farm workers who traveled to find work. At the young age of 3, she began to learn the value of work ethics by helping in the crops, picking cotton with the rest of her family. It was those values and lessons that attributed to her relentless and very determined mindset, which she in turn, taught her children allowing them to be strong and independent. On February 12, 1954 Lou and William "Bill" Pickering were married in Clovis, NM. Her family was a top priority, which showed in many ways, such as the numerous years she dedicated to caring for her beloved husband. She carried a tremendous love for her family that was very apparent through the time she devoted to her grandchildren. Lou had an amazing way with kids which brought her extreme happiness. Her big personality and larger than life smile drew attention which brought out her joy for entertaining and socializing with others. She could cut a rug like no other, and to be specific, the Jitter Bug was her specialty! Lou loved to cook so much that she devoted herself to a career in Food Service beginning at Grand Prairie ISD from which she retired; however, retirement did not suite her well. Being a social butterfly, she soon became a hostess at McDonald's in Plainview. This job was excellent for her because she loved visiting with the customers, serving them coffee, and tending to their needs. In 1996, Bill and Lou moved their family to Pampa. She continued her passion as a cook by working in the kitchen at the First United Methodist Church and became known for her delicious "Yeast Rolls" as well as cinnamon rolls that the members of The Pampa Noon Lions Club still requested! Although she was hard as nails at times, she also possessed an extremely generous and giving heart. She will be greatly missed by all of those who have had the privilege of knowing her. Her family would like to offer a special thanks for the wonderful care given to Bill by hospice as well as the home health care staff allowing Lou a much-needed reprieve from her caregiving tasks.

She was preceded in death by her parents; seven siblings, four brothers and three sisters.

Lou leaves behind to carry on her beautiful memories, her husband, Bill Pickering of Pampa; son, Tommy Pickering and wife Darlyn of Booker, Texas; daughter, Connie Ogle and husband Chris Lockridge of Pampa; four grandchildren, Dan Ogle and wife Christie of Pampa, Kylie Pickering of Amarillo, Braeden Pickering of Pampa and Kael Goelz of Blanchard, Oklahoma; two great-grandchildren, Mayce Ogle, Lilye Ogle, Wakely Ogle; special granddaughter, Jacey Hopkins and mother Rose Steel; her dear friend, Mary Gillenwater and numerous nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life Graveside Service has been scheduled for Friday, August 28, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at Memory Gardens Mausoleum in Pampa with Brother Mike Watson officiating. The family has entrusted the care of their loved one to Winegeart Funeral Home.

Should you wish to make donations in honor of Lou, the family suggests Kindred Hospice, 3232 Hobbs Ave Suite A, Amarillo, TX 79109.



In Loving Memory
Of
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Entered This Life ~ March 4, 1936
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Celebration of Life Graveside Services

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Friday, August 28, 2020
Memory Gardens Cemetery
Pampa, Texas

Officiating

Brother Mike Watson

Order of Services

Opening Prayer
Reading of Obituary
"Old Rugged Cross"
Words of Comfort by Brother Mike
"I'll Fly Away" Congregational Singing
Closing Prayer

Honorary Pallbearers

Dan Ogle
Braeden Pickering

Wakely Ogle
Chris Lockridge

Place of Interment

Memory Gardens Cemetery
Pampa, Texas



If I should die, and leave you here awhile,
be not like others, sore undone, who keep
Long vigils by the silent dust and weep.

For my sake,
turn again to life and

smile

Nerving thy heart and trembling hand to do
Something to comfort weaker hearts than thine.

Complete those dear unfinished tasks of mine,
And I, perchance, may therein comfort you.

—Mary Lee Hall

