



## Ella Bourgeois Ferrell

January 17, 1923 - February 8, 2019

Ella Agnes Bourgeois Ferrell

Ella Ferrell went to be with the Lord on Friday, February 8, 2019 at the age of 96 years old.

Ella was born in White Castle, Louisiana at her maternal grandparent's plantation home on January 17, 1923. The oldest of 3 siblings, she attended school at Lafayette Elementary and Eleanor McMain High School for girls, followed by Garner Secretarial School of New Orleans. In 1949, Ella married Harry C. Ferrell, Jr at Mater Dolorosa Church. They moved to Houston, TX in June, 1955 where she founded the Briargrove Garden Club. Floral arranging and gardening remained her lifelong interest.

In 1965 the couple moved to San Antonio, where Ella lived out her days with her children nearby. She is preceded in death by her husband, sister Marion Bourgeois Montelepre and nephew Stephen Montelepre.

Her survivors include her children, Harry C. Ferrell III, spouse Gretchen Linxwiler Ferrell, and Janet Ferrell Graham, spouse William Graham. She is also survived her brother Ralph Bourgeois, spouse Betty Brown Bourgeois and their sons Keith, Jeffrey and Craig Bourgeois.

Her grandchildren Travis Ferrell, Austin Ferrell and Jillian Istvan remained her largest source of pride and joy. She was a devoted mother and grandmother with the ability to make everyone around her laugh through her witty personality.

Our special appreciation goes to the staff at Embrace Hospice and Hickory Oak Manor for their compassionate care during her last year.

Services will be held on February 25, 2019 where she will reunite with her husband at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made at the Muscular Dystrophy Association. [MDA.org/Donate](http://MDA.org/Donate)

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