



Joyce J. Ward

November 22, 1923 - September 9, 2014

Joyce J. Ward went to be with the Lord September 8, 2014. She was born November 22, 1923 in Port Arthur, TX to Paul and Dulcie Phillips Jackson who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Ward; sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Murry LeSturgeon and sister-in-law, Janice Jackson. She is survived by her brothers, Robert Jackson and Jack Jackson and his wife Mary; and numerous nieces, nephews and a host of dear friends.

Joyce grew up near Medina, Texas and showed artistic talents at a young age drawing and modeling figures from river clay. After graduating high school she found work at Fort Sam Houston as a secretary. This is where she met her husband Raymond Ward. She later took art classes in a variety of venues all around San Antonio. Her skills as an artist evolved over the years as she changed mediums eventually settling on watercolors. She was president of the Texas Watercolor Society 1978-80 and won many watercolor competitions over the years. She was widely known for her ability to see beauty in scenes others would not notice and then transform her vision into remarkable paintings. She brought a smile to the faces of all who spoke with her and inspired many to see beauty and grace in the everyday world around us.