



Thelma Jane Cotten

October 14, 1917 - November 9, 2009

Thelma Jane Cotten, passed away November 9, 2009. She was born in Ringgold, Texas on October 14, 1917 and grew up in Los Fresnos, Texas in the Rio Grande Valley. She was one of six children born to Carlton Walker and Jennie M. Leeper, and was the last surviving member of the family. She has been a resident of San Antonio since the 1950's. She is preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Carl Benton Cotten. Survivors include: Frank and Lisa Cotten of Oklahoma; Jane and Vernon Young and Joy and Dennis Shockey of San Antonio; grandchildren Susan and John Bucher of Albany, NY; Joe Phillip Killough of San Antonio; Tracy and Donna Killough of Glenwood Landing, NY; Russell and Steven Young of Corpus Christi; Debralynn and Kenny Putman of Oklahoma and David Cotten of Oklahoma; Jeff Austin of Oklahoma; Darren and Kimberly Shockey of Ft. Worth; Toby and Danielle Shockey of San Antonio; and numerous great grandchildren. She was a devoted wife, mother and wonderful "Grandmommy" as she became affectionately known to most all who knew her. She was a devout Christian and a member of Baptist Temple Church in San Antonio. She has been a resident of Esplanade Gardens Assisted Living Facility since 2004 and an avid Spurs fan! The family is grateful for the care given to her by Esplanade Gardens through the years. Special thanks to the Vitas Hospice Care who ministered to her in her final days.

Tribute Wall

BA

“ *Ms. Thelma was an inspiration to all of us involved in the Esplanade Sunday evening worship group sponsored by the Northside Church of Christ. She always was present and participated in our activities. Her presence inspired and lifted our spirits. My wife*

Barry L Allison - December 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the Cotton Family:
The Mary Yuras family wish to express our sincere condolences for your loss. Thelma was a blessing to us and our mother at Esplanade Gardens. We remember the wonderful times your mother and our mother would play bingo together. W*

Paulette - November 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *Dear Joy
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. It was truly a pleasure taking care of your mother.*

*Doris King
Vitas*

Doris King - November 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My heart goes out to each and every one of her family. May she enjoy her reunion with her brothers, sisters, Uncle Cotton, Momma and her father and other family members that have gone before her to the heavenly eternal kingdom. May she rest in peace and m*

Pinkie Leeper Sweet-Holland - November 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Wish more than anything I could be there. I will miss her dearly.*

Love, Susan

Susan - November 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *Joy...I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. My mom has been gone for 2 years now. We had her funeral at Mission South, also. I still miss her so. If you ever need someone to talk to, I'll be here for you. Wishing you strength and endurance*

Connie Trafton - November 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM