



## Billie Sue Sanders

December 7, 1934 - August 2, 2024

Billie Sue Sanders, 89 passed away on Friday August 2, 2024 in Pilot Point, TX.

She was surrounded by her children in her final hours. She was born December 7, 1934 in Paducah, TX to Raymond and Irene (Smith) Truelock. Billie was the oldest of four children. She married Raymond Sanders in Childress, TX on August 12, 1950.

Billie and Raymond started their family in Paducah, and went on to have three children over the years. They left Paducah to follow work that took them to the Panhandle for several years followed by a move to the coast of Texas where they lived in Lake Jackson until retirement. Despite the moves Billie stayed close to her brother and sisters all her life.

Billie loved camping and water skiing with the family and most weekends in summer were spent travelling to lakes and being outdoors. When Raymond retired in Lake Jackson they bought a motorhome and began to travel to lakes around the state and eventually around the country. After having spent most of their lives in Texas she loved travelling to new places and spending time wherever they chose. They loved to travel and camp with brother-in-law, Jerry Mowrey and wife Shirley (Billie's sister) and brother, Travis Truelock and wife Wanda. She especially liked camping in places where a casino with slots machines was close by and could play for hours. Billie was very fun loving and

funny to be around and everyone always enjoyed her company.

In later years they moved to Pilot Point, TX to be closer to family. Billie experienced some health issues and was later placed in a nursing facility to secure needed medical attention. She became a favorite of the staff at Cedar Ridge and was “Mama” to everyone. She was surrounded by family and people who cared for her deeply throughout her stay there.

She is survived by her son, Jack Sanders and wife Sherry and their children Tonja, Chad, Jason, and Sheryl; son Terry Sanders and his wife Nesi and their children Michael, Jason, and Cody; daughter Starla Sanders and her children Crystal and Dustin; sister and brother-in-law Shirley and Jerry Mowrey; brother and sister-in-law Travis and Wanda Truelock; sister and brother-in-law Donna and Mike Holcomb; many grand children and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews; and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond; and parents, Raymond and Irene Truelock.

Billie was a fighter and held on to life beyond the expectations of everyone who knew her. Just ten days before her 74th anniversary she let go. It would have been the first time in 74 years she wasn't with her husband Raymond on an anniversary. She did not let that happen.

The family will host a graveside service at a date to be determined at the Paducah cemetery.

On-line condolences may be shared at [www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral

Center.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Will miss my precious Billie so much but I know she is happy to be with her Hunny again! My love and hugs to the family! Prayers for all who knew and lived her 🙏



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