



Rachel Duesman

July 11, 1918 - December 15, 2015

Rachel Duesman, formerly of Pilot Point died Tuesday, December 15, 2015 in North Richland Hills, TX. Rachel was born July 11, 1918 in New York to parents, Silvio and Philomena Stanzo. As an infant, both parents died of the flu. The grandmother could not care for an infant so she placed her in an orphanage. The St. Thomas Catholic Church in Pilot Point announced if anyone could adopt any children, to please do so. Edward and Angelica Blumberg took the opportunity to help out. Rachel arrived with a nurse on the Orphan Train at the young age of 2. She was reared on a farm east of Pilot Point. Rachel attended church and school at St. Thomas Catholic Church. She enjoyed riding her horse and riding around with her new parents. She grew up to be a very sweet and happy girl. She married Herman Duesman on September 2, 1934. They made their home in Pilot Point, where she lived until 2008 and then moved to North Richland Hills, Texas. Rachel is survived by her sons, Ralph and wife Shirley Duesman of Denton, Leo and wife Karen Duesman of Ft. Worth; daughters, Margaret and husband Cecil Wilde of Ft. Worth; Mildred Wesley and Joyce Green both of Ft. Worth; ten grandchildren; twenty-six great-grandchildren; nine great-great grandchildren; and sister, Dorothy Mae Cashion of Pilot Point. She is preceded death by her parents; husband; daughter, Barbara; two grandchildren, Kimberly Lowery and Jeremy Green; sister, Annie Pelzel; brother, Lawrence Blumberg; and longtime friend, Vince Simmel. Visitation and rosary for Rachel will be Friday, December 18, 2015 beginning at 9:30am with Mass of Christian Burial following at 10:30am

at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Pilot Point. Burial will be at the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center, Pilot Point.

To send a flower arrangement to the family of Rachel Duesman, please click [here](#) to visit our Sympathy Store.

Tribute Wall

CF

“ *Leo & family May you find comfort in the precious memories that you have made with your Mom over the years. Your Hallmark family is here for you. Hugs & prayers,*

Carol Faulder - December 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

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Debra Burgamy,

Burleson, Texas

Debra Burgamy - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *My thoughts are with you....*

jerrye armstrong - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Leo, I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. In reading the announcement you and your family did, she was well loved and loved right back. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. She is in good hands...*

Mary Dopplick - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family today and always.*

Karen West - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Ricky & Kathy Shearer - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *Leo, just wanted you and your family to know that we share in the loss of your precious mom. I pray the Lord will hold you and your family in his loving arms and give the peace and strength you need in the days and times ahead as you deal with this loss. Lord help you and bless you. Her picture shows what a sweet precious soul she must have been. God Bless you and your family. Colleen*

Colleen Grider - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *Leo- Sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. I know she was a light to you and you to her! God's Peace! Cindy Hughes*

Cindy Hughes - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of your mother's passing Leo. It's a difficult time and just know that you have the support of your work friends also. God bless you all.*

Debi Holl - December 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM