



Shirley Joy Smothermon

September 8, 1936 - March 22, 2025

Shirley Joy Smothermon, 88, of Prosper, TX, passed away Saturday, March 22, 2025 in Prosper. Shirley was born September 8, 1936 in Celina, TX to V. C. and Pauline (Griffin) Spradley. Shirley married the love of her life, Grady Len Smothermon in Prosper on January 29, 1955.

Grady was a life-long farmer in Denton and Collin counties. Shirley was a perfect farmer's wife. She would be seen taking hot meals to the field or pulling a cotton trailer to the gin in town.

A life-long resident of Prosper, Shirley was known for playing high school basketball and playing the piano at First Baptist of Prosper. Grady and Shirley were the loving parents of Bobby, Cathy, and Jimbo. She always welcomed and loved all her children's friends, and their friends in turn loved her dearly. A muddy football game could be found in her front yard for years when Bobby was young. She was a fan of all youth sports and a huge supporter of FFA and show cattle. She was loved by all who knew her.

As her grandchildren came along, she was known as Granny, and she was loved by all the kids in town. She worshipped and dearly loved each one of her grandchildren.

Shirley is survived by her two sons, Bobby Smothermon and wife Pam of

Tioga, TX and Jimmy Lee Smothermon of Prosper; daughter, Cathy Ann Gibson and husband Danny of Prosper; four grandchildren, D'Ann Holt and husband Tim of Prosper, Sarah Gibson of Lewisville, TX, Len Smothermon and wife Nicole of Collinsville, TX, and Cayla Fanning and husband Wes of Tuscola, TX; seven great-grandchildren, Everly Holt, Shay Smothermon, Grady Smothermon, Zane Smothermon, Raylan Fanning, Kaycee Fanning, and Kaylee Fanning; brother, Jim "Hop" Spradley; niece, Jennifer Spradley Taylor and husband Stephen and their son Brady; and nephew, Jody Spradley and wife Taylor and their children, Sawyer and Stevie.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, Grady; parents, V. C. and Pauline; sister-in-law, Carol Spradley; and two nephews, Denny Spradley and Dusty Spradley.

Per Shirley's request, there will be no services. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

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

Tribute Wall

PS

“ Bobby and I would like thank all of your the memories and comments

Pam Taylor Smothermon - March 29, 2025 at 01:16 AM

DD

“ Ms. Shirley was a very good person to my children and me And always treated us as family. My condolences to the Smotherman & Spradley families.
David Dean

david dean - March 27, 2025 at 07:26 PM

PS

Thank you from our family

Pam Taylor Smothermon - March 29, 2025 at 01:11 AM



“ I've set here and tried and tried to answer each one of yalls post and everytime I get started on it ill just start crying. We were all such a tight knit farming community that we were just one big family. We could go eat at anyone's house or spend the night. All of us younger generations started moving out but all the old timers held their ground maybe cause you just can't move that much love out of a town. Thank each of you for your kind and loving words of mom and dad it means alot and we still love you all. Bobby

Woodrow Buck Creek - March 26, 2025 at 11:34 PM

CB

“ Shirley and Grady were very good friends of my father and mother. Grady and my dad farmed together. Everyone loved Shirley. She was such a beautiful lady inside and out. I don't know why but I remember her dressed in a cream, white pant suit. She looked so pretty and could easily have been a model. Heaven has gained a lovely Angel. Cindy Bell Brisko

Cindy Brisko - March 26, 2025 at 09:22 PM

PS

Thank you for your sweet comments. I always thought that she looked a mod

Pam Taylor Smothermon - March 29, 2025 at 01:13 AM

VN

“ Shirley will be missed by our family and especially our daughter Victoria. Shirley was like a third grandma to Vic. She was so kind and funny. I will always remember her and her snazzy clothes at all the basketball games. The best thing in life besides one's faith and family is to live a life loved. She had all of this in spades. RIP sweet lady. We will never forget you. 🙏❤️🙏

Vicki nelon - March 26, 2025 at 01:36 PM

CW

I left Grady and Shirley when I was growing up and I had so much fun with them. I hope that she hasn't had a great time and love for everyone. I will miss them both Connie Wade.

Connie Wade - March 26, 2025 at 02:34 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Shirley Joy Smothermon.



March 26, 2025 at 08:00 AM



“ We always lived just down the hill from them when I was growing up. Shirley came every morning for a good month after I was born, and fixed all of my bottles everyday! As I grew up, my parents always ran around with Shirley and Grady. She has always been like a second mother. She even told me at Thanksgiving, “you’re one of mine!” I love all the Smothermons. They are family! Many prayers to all of you as you go through the days ahead. 🙏

Leann Morgan - March 25, 2025 at 05:41 PM



Back in the good old days, everyone knew Shirley Smothermon. From the neighborhood kids, to those she taught in P.E. at Prosper Elementary, all of them adored her. Shirley had the sweetest smile and demeanor. She loved her family and friends and will be dearly missed. I know she was welcomed to heaven by Grady, her family, and all of her old time Prosper friends who went before her. Many prayers to her kids and grandkids. 🙏

Paula Saylor - March 25, 2025 at 09:24 PM



She was angel in real life and one for sure now

Kevin finnell - March 25, 2025 at 09:34 PM

VH

I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. I'll always remember Shirley's words of kindness and encouragement when I was in high school...what a sweetheart!

Valerie Hyden - March 25, 2025 at 10:11 PM

NL

Shirley Smothermon was an awesome sister n law. Always to help in any event-friend or family R school. Her mother in law was a teacher also in Prosper Tx for many years. Shirley knew everyone in Collin county. Your parents gave U a Legacy of family and friendship with everyone!!

Shirley know U have touch MANY people s lives in your s & Grady life time & Memories for me to behold. Strength & prayers for your family.

Nancy Lewis - March 25, 2025 at 10:22 PM

PG

Shirley was the first of the older generation to welcome me when Joe and I married. She always told me how much she loved Joe and of course when Rusty Joe came along she called him one of hers. My girls always called her Granny and she welcomed them with open arms. I know Joe was one of many to welcome her into Heaven as soon as she hugged Jesus and Grady. I love you all and will miss this beautiful lady.

Peggy Gonzales - March 25, 2025 at 10:27 PM

CJ

I lived next door to Shirley for over 12 years. Her and Grady were so sweet to me and our family. I would just walk in their house without knocking and I would go in even when they weren't home. I will always remember her smiling face and how sweet she was to everybody. My prayers to Bobby, Cathy and Jimbo and their families during this difficult time.

Connie Garrett Johnson - March 25, 2025 at 11:11 PM

AS

We met Shirley in late 2019. She truly felt like family! Her loving kindness and tender hearted demeanor was very comforting. No matter who you were, she loved you and treated you like family. We are blessed to have known her. I know she is loving being with Jesus, Whom she loves so dearly!

Andrea Shavers - March 25, 2025 at 11:18 PM

SB

Shirley and I met in 1971 when we first moved to Prosper. We were aides in Old Mrs Smothermon first grade class room the last 3 years she taught school. She was wheelchair bound.

Shirley and Grady and Bud and I and a few others had great times at the stock shows and always had a party at someone's house after the shows. The FFA families always traveled and stayed together to the big shows. Shirley and I would look after the girls and Grady and Ag teacher would look after the boys. All parents would share lunches. We had a blast. Especially Houston!

Oh the stories to be told.

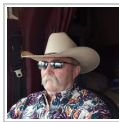
We also shared a love of HS baseball. Never missed a game when our kids were playing. My kids always thought the Smothermon home was a second home.

I miss the fun and good times we had together. Bud and I have wonderful sweet memories of those times.

Bobby, Cathy and Jimbo and families will continue to be in my prayers. Love each of you.

Bud and Sue Bryson

Sue and Bud Bryson - March 25, 2025 at 11:46 PM



We all had a blast together, so happy that were able to call yall our friends.

Woodrow Buck Creek - March 26, 2025 at 11:22 PM

BD

Sending my sincere condolences to the whole family. Shirley was so sweet and kind and shared her love with so many. She's loved her family and especially those grandkids. She embraced Nicole right away as family and loved her as her own. I will be forever grateful. To the whole family, may you feel God's presence surround you in your time of sorrow and may you find peace knowing she is rejoicing in heaven with our Lord Jesus.

Barb Dobbs - March 29, 2025 at 11:28 PM

SD

Oh my, just learned of this. So sad to hear. Loved Shirley like my own mother.. Prayers up to all of you !! She is smiling with Gradro.

Sug Dalton - March 29, 2025 at 11:49 PM