

Taps

Day is done, gone the sun
from the lake, from the hill,
from the sky.

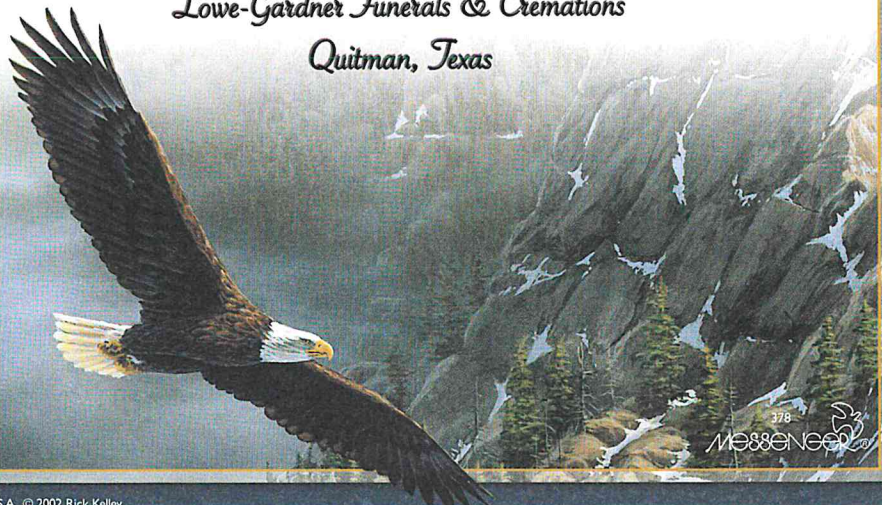
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

Thanks and praise for our days
neath the sun, neath the stars,
neath the sky.

As we go, this we know, God is nigh.



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Quitman, Texas



IN MEMORY OF

Barbara Catherine Stephenson

June 23, 1936 ~ February 16, 2023



OBITUARY

Barbara Stephenson, of Mineola, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2023 at the age of 86.

Barbara Catherine Stephenson was born in Bemidji, Minnesota on June 23, 1936 to the late Bassett Charles Vaughn and Catherine Florence Richards Vaughn. She was raised on an Indian reservation and greatly appreciated the Native American culture, donating back to the reservations, tribes, and Indian museums later in life.

Barbara's faith and military service were two of the most important aspects of her life. After graduating high school, she went on to become a nun, but left before her final vows so that she could join the United States Air Force. She served her country proudly and honorably for 27 years before retiring as Chief Master Sergeant. Most of her working career was also spent working for the US Air Force as a data processor.

On September 9, 1976, she married the love of her life, Richard Earl Stephenson. They were married 9 wonderful years before his passing in 1984. She was a faithful member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Belleville, Illinois and was very dedicated to the Sister Clare's. Barbara was also a member of the Zonta Club.

In her free time she enjoyed volunteering at the library to help give books to children, loved art, and was an avid antiquer. Her spunky spirit will be missed by all who knew her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Bassett Charles Vaughn and Catherine Florence Vaughn; and husband, Richard Earl Stephenson.

Left to cherish her memory is her sister-in-law, Lynda Stanley of Mineola; nieces and nephews, Gayna Christian and husband Russell of Mineola, Debbie Yarbrough, Jim Stanley, and Richard Stanley; several great nieces and nephews; and special friends, Bob and Nancy Jurke, Kathy Hoffman, and Dale Loiseau.

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Barbara Catherine Stephenson

DATE OF BIRTH

June 23, 1936

ENTERED INTO REST

February 16, 2023

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

11:00 AM, Friday, February 24, 2023

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

Mineola, Texas

OFFICIATING

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BEARERS

United States Air Force

INTERMENT

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Mineola, Texas

