

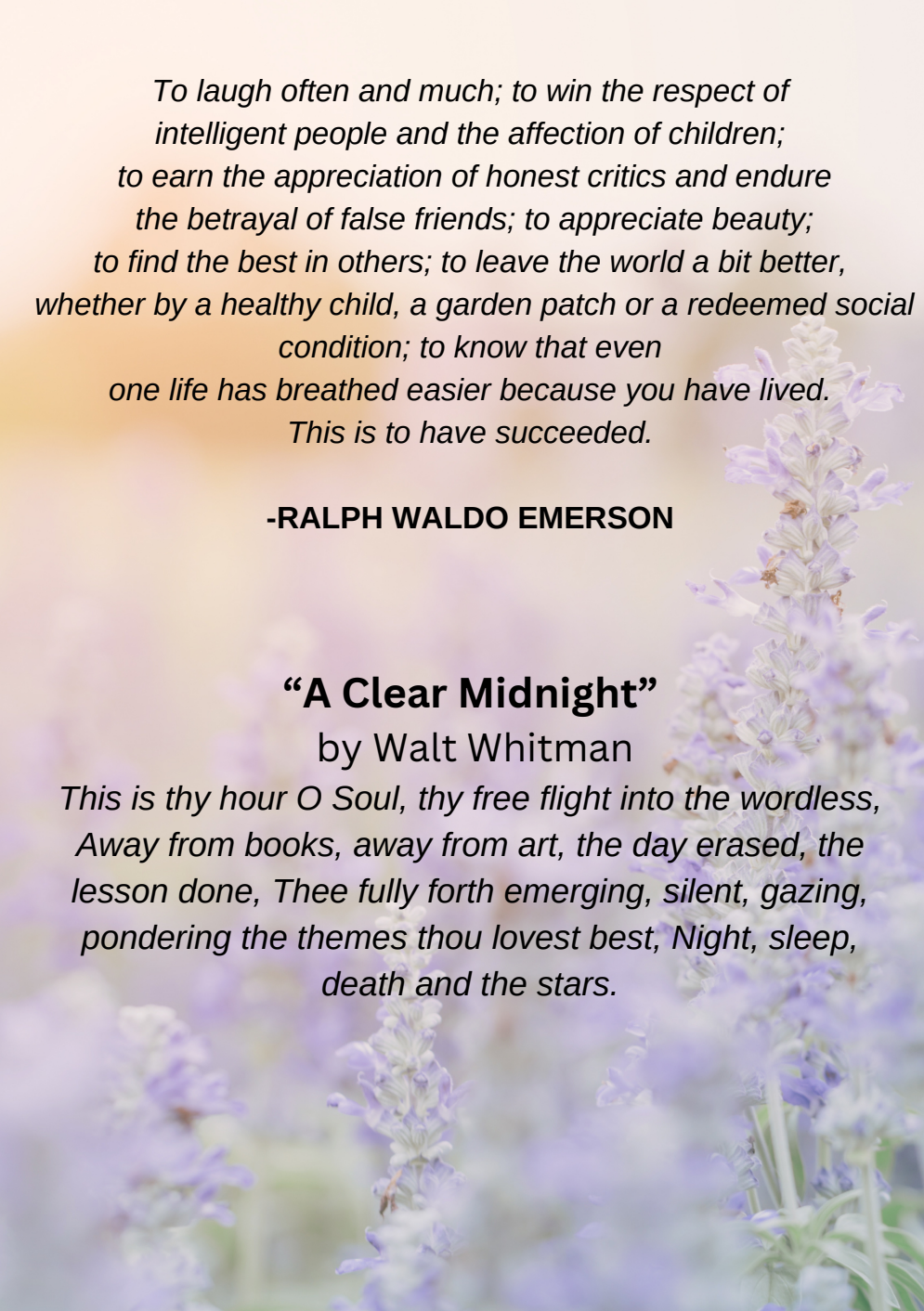
CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
*Stephanie Allen
Johnson Dixon*



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*To laugh often and much; to win the respect of
intelligent people and the affection of children;
to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure
the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty;
to find the best in others; to leave the world a bit better,
whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social
condition; to know that even
one life has breathed easier because you have lived.
This is to have succeeded.*

-RALPH WALDO EMERSON

“A Clear Midnight”

by Walt Whitman

*This is thy hour O Soul, thy free flight into the wordless,
Away from books, away from art, the day erased, the
lesson done, Thee fully forth emerging, silent, gazing,
pondering the themes thou lovest best, Night, sleep,
death and the stars.*

Stephanie Allen Johnson Dixon died on Saturday, February 24 while at Hickory Heights Health and Rehab in Little Rock where she had been a resident for nearly four years. She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert Truman Johnson and Shirley Allen Johnson of Marianna, Arkansas. Steph was born in Helena, Arkansas on March 24, 1947, and grew up in Marianna, Arkansas, where she lived from her birth until she went to the University of Arkansas in the fall of 1965. She is survived by her husband, Bill Dixon of North Little Rock, her daughters Erin Bush (Brian) of Frisco, Texas and Paisley Dixon of North Little Rock, and her two granddaughters, Gretchen Bush of Oklahoma City, and Evan Dixon of North Little Rock She is also survived by her sister Camille Bryant of Cabot, brother Robin Johnson (Pam) of Marianna, and sister Kim Felker (Mark) of Crawfordsville, as well as four nephews and five nieces.

Stephanie was a 1965 graduate of T.A. Futrall High School in Marianna, and received her bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Arkansas in 1969. She later received her Master's degree in Journalism from UALR in 1991. She taught high school in Marianna and later taught English and writing at the college level at UALR, UCA, ASU-Beebe and at the ASU branch at Little Rock Air Force Base. In 1995 she started her videography business, Dixon Video Productions, and operated it for 10 years until her health forced her to retire. She was a recipient of two Telly Awards and the Aegis Award for video production.

She was a master editor.

Stephanie was a member of the Prudence Hall Chapter of the Daughter's of the American Revolution, serving one year as it's regent, and she was an avid genealogist through her entire adult life.

In 2023 she saw, at last, the publication of her book, Last of the Buffet Eggs, a memoir about growing up in East Arkansas in the 1950's and 1960's. She was famous as a letter writer, and many of her correspondents have said that they saved her letters over the years because she was such an entertaining writer.

Visitation will be Wednesday, February 28, 2024 from 12:00PM-2:00PM at Smith NLR Funeral Home Chapel, 1921 Main St, NLR, AR, 72214. A Graveside service will follow after visitation to Riverwood Memorial Gardens, 301 Carnahan Dr., Maumelle, AR, 72213.