



Octavia W. Brooks

July 1, 1923 - February 27, 2017

Octavia W. Brooks, 93, of Odessa, passed away on February 27, 2017.

A memorial will be held at 1:00 on Saturday, March 25, at American Heritage Cemetery & Funeral Home, 4100 North FM 1788, Midland, TX 79707. The memorial will also be broadcast on Facebook Live for those unable to attend.

Octavia was born in Mingus, TX to Dotsy & John Wilson on July 1, 1923. She graduated from Wink High School in 1940. Octavia fell in love with an ROTC and band member upper classman at Texas Tech her freshman year and soon after, married the handsome John R. Brooks on May 30, 1941.

Octavia joined the Al-Anon Family Groups on May 6, 1961 and was one of the original founders of the Texas Woman To Woman conference. She taught so many, either directly or indirectly, to walk with grace and dignity, not just with her words but, more importantly, through her actions. She showed others how to laugh, love, dress, behave, and how to conduct themselves like beautiful women in recovery. She truly "Bridged the Gap" between Alcoholics Anonymous and the Al-Anon Family Groups. Hers is a legacy that has spread and will continue to spread for many, many years and for many, many, many families.

Octavia was an incredible wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend that was full of life, love and happiness. She is survived by her son Dr.

John Russell "Rusty" (Kellye) Brooks Jr. of Missouri City, TX and her daughter Vicki (Howard) Smith of Odessa, TX; her grandchildren Trea (Yasmin) Smith, Misti (Gavin) Burns, Raven Brooks, Ry (Brigette) Brooks, Tyler (Ashley) Horne, Jillian and Julianna Brooks and her great-grandchildren Chase, Alexis, Ramiro, Lissett, Nyah, Nicholas, Keeley and Jasper.

In lieu of flowers, should you choose, donations can be made to the following:
Octavia Brooks Scholarship Fund for Woman to Woman, PO Box 10803,
Midland, TX 79702

The family would like to especially thank the fabulous staff at Brookdale Senior Living, Seabury Nursing Center, Medical Center Hospital and Star Hospice. She was very blessed to meet each and every one and to receive their love.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR **25**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

American Heritage Funeral Home

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Tribute Wall



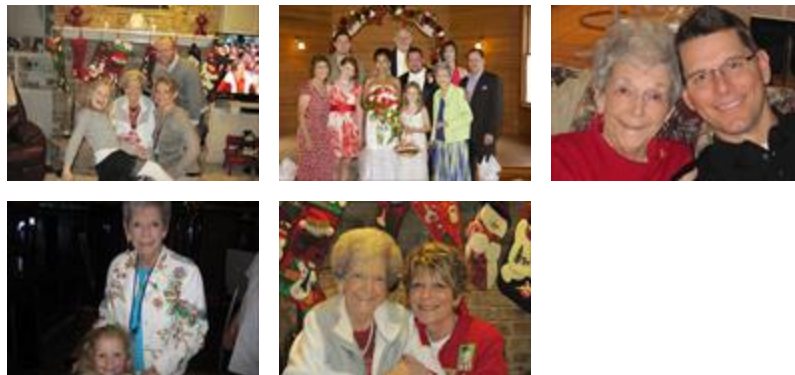
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Octavia W. Brooks.*



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Misti Burns - March 10, 2017 at 04:03 PM



Octavia was truly the Queen of Al- Anon ... Her Chair will be empty Her and Johnny was very instrumental in my late husband recovery ...Joe Bell... I always loved hearing her stores on this ...My deepest sympathy to her family .. a great lost to us all ! " Always to the Glory of God ..". Donna Rae Bell

Donna Bell - March 13, 2017 at 09:16 PM



“ *Octavia meant so much to me at woman to woman she was a wise and caring woman*

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“ *Dearest Octavia, who showed so many a better way to live. She was my Grand-sponsor. My deepest sympathy to her family. I will love her always! Judy Ballou*

Judy Ballou - March 01, 2017 at 08:22 PM