

Following today's service, the Interment will be held at Ridgeview Memorial Park, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas 75013.

PALLBEARERS:

Marty Alleman Kevin Simms Jeff Lackie
Russell Locke Mark Roland Eric Mofield
Randall Hickman

LEADING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

Dr. Thomas O. Brumett, Senior Pastor
John Emory Bush, organist
Josh Brumett and Waverly Hammond, audio/visual

A Celebration of Life for Gera Norris Crampton

January 9, 1932 - June 16, 2025



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Sharing the heart of Christ from the heart of McKinney

June 20, 2025 ♦ 10:30 a.m.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

*SEATING OF THE FAMILY

CALL TO WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 4:11-13

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SOLO "It is Well" Jordan Davis

WITNESS OF THE GOSPEL

*BENEDICTION

**May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you.
May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
Amen.**

POSTLUDE

OBITUARY

Gera Lee Norris Crampton passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, at the age of 93 on June 16, 2025. She was born January 9, 1932, to Leonard Addison and Mignon (Harris) Norris in Palestine, Texas.

Gera grew up in Palestine and graduated from Palestine High School in 1950. She attended one semester at Henderson County Community College before dropping out to work and help her mother care for her ailing father. She worked as a secretary at Texas Power & Light Company and heard the other office ladies gossiping about a "cute, blue eyed sailor boy" who had just come back from the Navy and was working downstairs. John Arthur "Jack" Crampton soon began dating Gera. They were married on June 17, 1955, in Palestine, Texas.

Although her grandmother told Jack "It doesn't matter where you take her, she'll always be Baptist," Gera was a longtime member of The First United Methodist Church of McKinney. She and Jack were active in the Fellowship Class. Over the years, Gera was also a member of the En Avant Club, and the Heard Museum Guild. She worked for many years as a secretary, retiring from Texas Instruments in 1991. She was a devoted mother who attended every baseball game, award ceremony, choir and band concert, and more. Her family is what mattered most to Gera.

Gera is survived by her "sweet daughter" Carol Crampton of McKinney, niece Sara (Norris) Alleman of Dallas, niece Susanne Goines of Denton, nieces Lauren and Demi Milton of Corinth, nieces Janet Engh, Glory Cochrane, and Katrina DeLima Spillman, all of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Diane Kaiser of Placitas, New Mexico, and Nancy Cochrane of Rio Rancho, New Mexico. She is also survived by nephews Marty Alleman and Ryan Alleman of Dallas, Drew Alleman of Houston, and Jeff Crampton and Gray Crampton, both of Henderson, Nevada. In addition, Gera is survived by cousin, Fonda Harris of Dallas, and several other family members and dear family friends.

Gera was preceded in death by the love of her life, Jack Crampton, her beloved son, John Gregory "Greg" Crampton, and her parents Leonard and Mignon Norris, siblings Louise Owens, Cleo Norris, Gwen Page, Chandler Norris, Alton Norris, and Leo Norris, niece Lou Ann Norris, and nephew Bruce Cochrane.

Carol would like to recognize the love, care, and patience of the staff of Princeton Medical Lodge. (in NO particular order) Opa, Jane, Rezi, Mary, Karen, Cassie, Ruthie, Tesfaye, Kenya, Lacey, Betsy, Meagan, Marie, Morgan, Anita, Janice, Natalie, Stephan and so many others whose names Carol cannot presently remember. Also, a thank you to her sweet roommate, Marilyn, for being so wonderful and kind. God's blessings to you all for the difficult, messy, and mostly thankless jobs and services they perform each day. Thank you for loving my Mama.