

## OBITUARY

Shirley Barnett Lankford, a beloved matriarch cherished friend, passed away on July 7, 2025, in Hico, Texas. She was born on October 7, 1936.

Shirley's life was characterized by a deep love for her family and a passion for nurturing those around her. She was described as loving, sweet beyond measure, and possessed a rare strength that was not often recognized by the world. With a strong faith that guided her journey, Shirley never spoke an ill word, always finding the beauty in life and the goodness in others.

A lover of gardening and cooking, Shirley devoted countless hours to creating both beautiful spaces and delightful meals for her family. Her joy was evident when teaching her children and grandchildren to cook and bake, creating memories that would last a lifetime. Alongside her culinary talents, she enjoyed photography and ceramics, further showcasing her artistic spirit.

Shirley is preceded in death by her husband, Darrell Lankford; parents, Melvin and Ruby Barnett; grandson, Daniel York; and brothers, Lonnie Barnett and Melvin Barnett, Jr.

She is survived by her daughter, Debbie McGill, and husband, Kelly; son, William Lewis, and wife, Laura; and daughter, Donna Lewis; grandchildren, Heather Street, Kelsie Tinker, Andrea Schrick, and Michael York, and ten great-grandchildren; sisters, Betty Cole and Belinda Mogged; brothers Richard Barnett and Curtis Barnett, and a host of other relatives and friends.

The essence of Shirley's life was not only measured by her relationships but also by the warmth she shared with everyone around her. Her legacy will continue to inspire those who knew and loved her.

*Made especially for the Shirley Glenn Lankford Family  
by the Staff of Crosier-Pearson Cleburne Funeral Home  
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*Shirley Barnett Lankford*

## Psalms 23

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art  
with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the  
presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my  
head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all  
the days of my life: and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord forever.*

## IN MEMORY OF *Shirley Glenn Barnett Lankford*

### **BORN**

*Wednesday October 7, 1936  
Tarrant County, Texas*

### **PASSED AWAY**

*Monday July 7, 2025  
Hico, Texas*

### **SERVICE**

*2:00 PM  
Monday July 14, 2025  
Crosier-Pearson Cleburne Chapel*

### **OFFICIATING**

*Dr. Derek McNamara*

### **FINAL PLACE OF REST**

*Rosehill Cemetery  
Cleburne, Texas*