

Congregational Song

I love You, Lord Oh Your mercy never fails me All my days I've
been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head Oh I will sing of the goodness of God All
my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so so
good With every breath that I am able Oh I will sing of the
goodness of God I love Your voice You have led me through the
fire In the darkest night You are close like no other I've known
You as a Father I've known You as a friend I have lived in the
goodness of God And all my life You have been faithful All my
life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God Yeah yeah yeah 'Cause
Your goodness is running, it's running after me Your goodness is
running, it's running after me With my life laid down, I'm
surrendered now, I give You everything Your goodness is running,
it's running after me Your goodness is running, it's running after
me Your goodness is running, it's running after me With my life
laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything Your
goodness is running, it keeps running after me All my life You
have been faithful All my life You have been so so good With
every breath that I am able Oh I will sing of the goodness of
God I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna sing And all my life You have
been faithful All my life You have been so so good With every
breath that I am able Oh I will sing of the goodness of God I'm
gonna sing of the goodness of God

Services In Care Of

Waco Memorial FH & Cemetery

Waco, Texas



In Memory Of Nita Gayle Ray

October 29, 1952 ~ March 8, 2026



Born

October 29, 1952

Entered Into Rest

March 8, 2026

Celebration of Life

10:00 AM, Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Waco Memorial Funeral Home

Robinson, Texas

Order of Service

Welcome and Opening Words

Norman Cox

Blessed Assurance

Norman & Ruthie Cox

Family Sharing

Corey Ray

Amazing Grace

Norman & Ruthie Cox & Krystal Maddox

Family Sharing & Closing

Kelly Balderrama

Goodness of God

Norman & Ruthie Cox & Krystal Maddox

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

-Proverbs 3:5-6

*My flesh and my heart faileth;
but God is the strength of my heart,
and my portion forever.*

- Psalm 73:26

Interment

Waco Memorial Park

Robinson, Texas



Nita (Cox) Ray, 73, of Waco, Texas, went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on March 8, 2026.

Nita was born October 29, 1952, in Waco, Texas, to Dale and Barbara Cox. She graduated from Richfield High School in 1971. She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother ("MawMaw"), sister, and friend, known for her faith, prayer, and the steady warmth that made people feel safe and cared for. She leaves behind a legacy of love and faith that will continue to shape everyone who was blessed to know her. Nita was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry Ray, and her parents, Dale and Barbara Cox. She and Jerry shared 50 years of marriage, a faithful love that anchored their family.

Nita's life was rooted in Jesus. She did not just believe in prayer, she practiced it faithfully and specifically, covering her family and friends with quiet confidence that the Lord hears and holds His people. If you were lucky enough to be around her, you also knew her joy. Nita's smile could settle your heart, and her laughter could turn an ordinary moment into something lighter, proof that joy and faith can live side by side even through life's hardest seasons.

Nita gave much of her life in steady service, both at home and in her work. She spent more than three decades at Brazos Electric Cooperative, where she was known for loyalty, dependability, and a strong work ethic.

A significant part of Nita's legacy was her love for the local church and the next generation. For many years, she attended Calvary Assembly of God, where she served in ladies' and girls' ministries, taught Sunday school, and helped with the bus ministry. In later years, she also worshiped and served through Hewitt Community Church, including participating on the prayer team and helping with behind-the-scenes care.

She was a wonderful cook, and her kitchen was a place of comfort where love was expressed through food and hospitality. In Nita and Jerry's home, people felt welcomed and at ease. There always seemed to be room at the table and time to stay a while, and Nita had a way of making you feel like you mattered. Whether you were family, friend, coworker, or neighbor, you felt it.

Nita is survived by her son, Corey Ray, and his wife, Denise Ray, and her daughter, Kelly Balderrama, and husband Matthew Balderrama. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Colby Ray, Lexie Ray, Ridge Balderrama, and Hadley Balderrama, her twin brother, Norman Cox, and his wife, Ruthie Cox, and many extended family and dear friends who loved her deeply.

The family would like to thank The Delaney at Lake Waco, Ascension Living Providence Village and Providence Hospice for their compassion, support, and care.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." Matthew 25:23