



Alma Nadine Bell

April 27, 1936 - May 11, 2023

Alma Nadine Gray was born in Archer County, Texas on April 27, 1936. She was the third child of Oland and Leota Gray. She did not like to be called Alma and preferred to be called by her middle name, Nadine. Her siblings called her Dinky, and their children knew her as Aunt Dinky.

She grew up in Arlington, Texas spending many memorable days playing along and in Johnson Creek.

Oh, the stories she would tell! Both her parents worked at LTV, and Nadine and her siblings spent time visiting relatives during the summer in and around Olney, Texas.

Nadine married Dan Bell and moved to Colorado with their newly blended family and spent several years there, where the last two boys were born.

The family moved to Hico, Texas, in 1969 to make their permanent home. She received her Licensed Vocational Nursing degree in the 1970s from Tarleton State University and worked for 20-plus years at the Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. Although she worked in various

capacities while at the hospital, she enjoyed most working in obstetrics, bringing new babies into the world.

Nadine was preceded in death by her husband, Dan Bell, her daughter Debra Singleton, son Marty Bell, mother Leota Gilbert, father Oland Gray, sister Billie Jo Striedel, and brother Jerry Gray.

She is survived by daughters Donna Leary, Elaine Wakefield, Lisabeth Donley, sons Dan Bell, Jr., Wendell Bell, and Jimmy Bell, along with 19 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren, her sister Myra Smith and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, May 16th at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Hico.

Visitation on Monday, May 15th from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Harvest Hills Funeral Home in Hico.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Harvest Hills Funeral Home
118 Second Street
Hico, TX 76457
(254) 796-4722
info@harvesthillsfuneralhome.com
<https://www.harvesthillsfuneralhome.com/>

Church Service

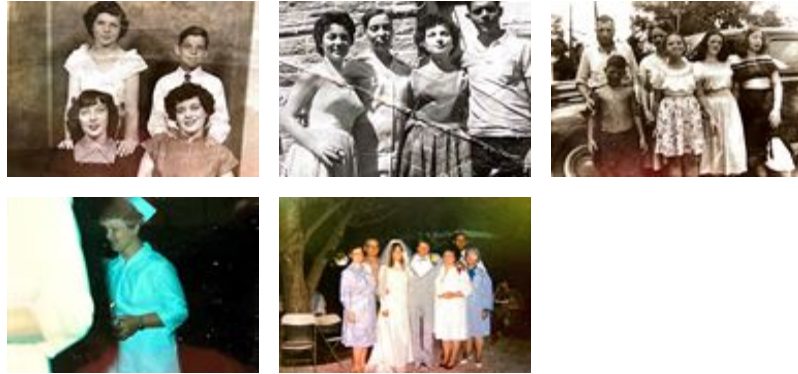
MAY **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
Hico, TX 76457

Tribute Wall



“ 95 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Harvest Hills Funeral Home - May 15, 2023 at 05:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Alma Nadine Bell.



May 15, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *CPU/PACT II* purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Alma Nadine Bell.



CPU/PACT II - May 15, 2023 at 10:47 AM

MG

“ *A Sweet Lady, will miss her!*



Marla Guinn - May 15, 2023 at 09:15 AM

MV

“ *I remember when Jimmy & I were in second grade, Ms. Nadine brought chocolate chip cookies to our Halloween party. They weren't just any chocolate chip cookies. They were some of the best chocolate chip cookies I ever tasted. All of our class wanted Ms. Nadine to be a room mother every year afterwards.*

I also remember when we were freshman in high school, she hosted an Easter party/Egg Hunt. Some of us thought we were too old for egg hunting, but it ended up being one of the best parties! She had egg relay races, the egg toss & prizes for everyone. What precious memories!

I am in prayer for this beautiful family who touched so many lives through their mother. Blessings for peace as you journey each day without Ms. Nadine.

Melody Hicks Vann - May 14, 2023 at 07:52 PM

LS

“ *Love you always Sharon and Bill Sherril purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Alma Nadine Bell.*



Love you always Sharon and Bill Sherril - May 14, 2023 at 01:35 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Alma Nadine Bell.*



May 14, 2023 at 01:53 AM



“ *Cheryl Mitcham lit a candle in memory of Alma Nadine Bell*



Cheryl Mitcham - May 13, 2023 at 08:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Alma Nadine Bell.*



May 13, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ *Janice & Gerald Pellar purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Alma Nadine Bell.*



Janice & Gerald Pellar - May 13, 2023 at 04:43 PM