

**HELEN "LENA" PARKER
ROSS**

Funeral services for Mrs. Helena "Lena" Parker Ross were held Saturday, February 22, at 11:00 a.m. at Bethel Baptist Church. Interment followed in the Union Prairie Cemetery.

On March 28, 1958, Mrs. Helena "Lena" Parker Ross

was born to the late Albert Lee (Johnny) Parker, Sr. and the late Evelena Reece Foreman.

Mrs. Ross accepted Christ at an early age and joined Union Prairie Baptist Church in Crockett. Mrs. Ross moved to Houston and joined New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Missouri City. After moving back to Crockett, she joined the Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. Later, she

moved her membership to Hampton Memorial Church of God in Christ under the leadership of Elder J.R. Hampton, Jr. where she was a faithful member until her health failed.

Mrs. Ross attended Crockett Public Schools and graduated from Crockett High in 1976. Mrs. Ross united in marriage to Paul Ross in 1976. Mrs. Ross later attended a technical school in Houston and began working for the City of Houston.

On February 16, 2003, the Lord whispered Lena's name and she answered.

Preceded in death by both parents, step-mother (Ida Mae 'MaMae' Warfield Parker); two sisters Johnnie Mae Parker and Rosie Marie Parker; one brother Billy Ray Parker.

She leaves to cherish her memory her son Adryn Lee Vaughn Parker, of Crockett; ten brothers Johnny Ray Reece, of Lubbock, Freddie Foreman, of Cuero, Terry Reece, Aubrey Gene Reece and Curtis Creag (J.B. Parker), all of Crockett, Michael Collins, of Huntsville; Douglas Collins (Charlene), Will Collins (Nora Lee), Lee Collins; two step-brothers Luzene Gray (Debra) and Derrick Gray, all of Crockett; a special brother-in-law Greg Brandon, of Mineral Wells; five sisters Betty Ruth LaRue, Ethel Parker Pierre, Rosie Reece Allen, Carolyn Foreman and Debra Duncan, all of Crockett; three step-sisters Shirley Collins Young (Larry), of Crockett, Bertha Monroe and Shelia Diane Sparks, of Bryan.

A special recognition to "Auntie" Rosie Lee Strange of Crockett who accepted the responsibility of being a guardian of Lena without wavering.

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