

Natalie Daisy (Nat) Cogswell Marable (95) died on June 12, 2024 in Lubbock, Texas. She was surrounded during the last week by her family. She was honored at a Celebration of Life and Memorial Service at Second Baptist Church on Saturday, June 29, 2024 with Dr. Philip Christopher, pastor emeritus, First Baptist Church, Abilene, and Rev. Charles Foster Johnson, interim pastor, Second Baptist Church, Lubbock, officiating.

Natalie was born in Kearny, Nebraska on December 27, 1928. Her parents, Allen and Olga Cogswell then moved to Chicago, Illinois. She resided there until 1941 when her parents were killed in an auto accident. Natalie then moved with family to Amarillo, Tx until she graduated from Amarillo High School and Amarillo College, where she met the love of her life who became her husband, Dr. Gerald (Gerry) L. Marable, on September 5, 1948. They moved to Austin, Tx to complete their education at the University of Texas. She pursued a pre-med degree alongside Gerry at time when few women were enrolled in such a program. They moved to Dallas, Tx where he completed medical school at Southwestern and Natalie worked for a doctor conducting research. In 1955, they moved to Post, Tx for Gerry to begin his practice. In 1956, Gerry opened his medical practice in Lubbock, Tx.

Family was important to Natalie. She loved being a wife and mother to four daughters. She adored and admired Gerry. She supported him in all his endeavors and took care of him, never leaving his side until the end. While her daughters were in school, she focused on their needs and diverse activities from sports to music. She worked with the youth group at Second Baptist for years in order to support students in their spiritual growth and mission experiences. While the girls were in high school, she organized and grew the choir booster club. When she became a grandmother and great-grandmother, she expanded her love through her relationships with them and enjoyed attending their special events.

Throughout her life, Natalie loved the Lord and worked to serve him and grow spiritually. Through everything she experienced in life, God was her source of strength. She was a deacon at Second Baptist Church having been ordained in 1980, a rarity for Baptist women at the time. She continued her work at the church as a devoted member who served as a Sunday School leader and sang in the choir for many years. She and Gerry helped organize the Sick Children's Clinic to care for and treat disadvantaged children in Lubbock County from 1956 to 1987.

She also served as a member and officer of Heritage Study Club, New Neighbor's Club, Lubbock Medical Alliance, Lubbock Women's Club, and Lubbock Study Club. She loved to play bridge and participated in many bridge clubs through her entire life. She found community through her many friends who were very important to her.

Natalie was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Gerald L. Marable and her parents, Allen and Olga Cogswell.

She is survived by her four daughters, "The Marable Girls": Maureen Turner (David), Melissa Marable, Mary Christopher (Philip), and Margaret Bennett (Eugene). She was loved by her grandchildren: Chris Turner (Kelly), Josh Turner (Amanda), Jeremy Christopher (Caroline), Natalie Abrameit (Andrew), Cody Bennett, and Megan Bennett Bravo (Yvette). Her beloved great-grandchildren are: Brooke Turner, Reed Turner, Magnolia Turner, Maverick Turner, Mathilda Turner, Mary Catherine Abrameit, and Emma Abrameit.

Pallbearers are Natalie's grandchildren: Chris Turner, Josh Turner, Jeremy Christopher, Cody Bennett, Natalie Christopher Abrameit, and Megan Bennett Bravo.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to Second Baptist Church, 6109 Chicago, Lubbock, TX 79424; St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105; or a charity of their choice.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

NATALIE DAISY MARABLE

DECEMBER 27, 1928 – JUNE 12, 2024



JUNE 29, 2024

12:00 PM

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
LUBBOCK, TEXAS

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music Medley Larry Landusky

Family Enters

Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Call to Worship and Prayer Rev. Charles Foster Johnson

Songs of Praise

*Open the Eyes of my Heart, Lord
I Sing Praises to Your Name*

John 14:25-28 Chris Turner
Josh Turner

Song of Prayer

Speak, Oh Lord

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 Jeremy Christopher
Natalie Abrameit
Cody Bennett
Megan Bennett Bravo

Special Music Dr. David Turner
Scars in Heaven

Words of Hope Dr. Phil Christopher

Song of Promise
I'll Fly Away

Benediction Dr. Phil Christopher

“In the goodness of God, you were born into this world. By the grace of God, you have kept all day long even until this hour. And by the love of God fully revealed in the face of Jesus Christ, you are being redeemed. Amen”

Recessional Larry Landusky
This Little Light of Mine

Reception will follow in the Grand Hall

Pallbearers (Natalie's Grandchildren)

Chris Turner
Jeremy Christopher
Josh Turner
Cody Bennett
Natalie Abrameit
Megan Bennett Bravo

Departing Word of Assurance, requested by Natalie Marable

Death is nothing at all. It does not count. I have only slipped away into the next room. Nothing has happened. Everything remains exactly as it was. I am I, and you are you, and the old life that we lived so fondly together is untouched, unchanged. Whatever we were to each other, we are still. Call me by the old familiar name. Speak of me in the easy way which you always used. Put no difference into your tone. Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes that we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be ever the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without an effort, without the ghost of a shadow upon it. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was. There is absolute and unbroken continuity. What is this death but a negligible accident? Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just round the corner. All is well.

—Henry Scott Holland