

Virginia Ann Dick

1936-2020

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Runaway Bay \sim Dr. Virginia Ann Dick, 83, went to be with our Lord Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020, in Denton.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, at the First United Methodist Church in Bridgeport.

Family to receive friends 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Hawkins Funeral Home in Bridgeport.

Oklahoma family visitation is 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Lockstone Funeral Home in Weatherford, Okla.

Graveside Service is 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at Bethel Mennonite Cemetery in Hydro, Okla.

Virginia was born July 24, 1936, to Henry and Gladys (Anderson) Porter in Decatur. She was united in marriage to Roy Dick March 25, 1967, in Stillwater, Okla. Virginia graduated from OSU with a doctorate in home economics. She was a retired college professor who taught for many years and had distinguished careers with University of North Texas, Southwestern Oklahoma State University and Texas Woman's University.

Virginia was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Bridgeport. She is a Wall of Fame Honor recipient at Bridgeport High School. Virginia received the Outstanding Young Women of America Award in 1971, the Professional Award of Oklahoma Association of Family and Consumer Sciences in 1980, as well as the Margaret Fitch Public Relations Award and the OAFCS Service Award in 1994. She was a published author and an advocate for education. Virginia was passionate about her career all while raising her family. Her publications include many educational materials for the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. She was an author of educational materials concerning food for children and author of "A Suggested Curriculum Guide for Preparing Child Care Workers for Entry Level Jobs." She distinguished herself by holding numerous positions in professional organizations such as the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and has served as a consultant to the Bureaus of Indian Affairs, and as a dietary and consultant to nursing homes in Oklahoma and Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 45 years, Roy Dick; and brother, John Porter.

Those left behind to cherish her memory are her daughter, Denise Caviness and husband, Coy, of Garland; son, Jeff Chandler and wife, Julie, of Noble, Okla.; grandchildren, Randee Hawkins and husband, Chase, of Runaway Bay, Leighton Kennec of Runaway Bay, Jessica Chandler of Noble, Okla. and Cole Caviness of Garland; great-granddaughter, Hazel Jane Hawkins; foster children, Juanita and Janette Star; brothers, Henry Porter and wife, Anne, Audrey Porter and wife, Beverly, and James Porter and wife, Suzanne, all of Dallas; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family and a host of friends.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Virginia's name to the First United Methodist Church of Bridgeport or the Bethel Mennonite Church in Hydro, Okla.

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