



## Inez Spence

March 1, 1920 - July 1, 2019

Inez Spence was born in Georgiana, Alabama on March 1, 1920, to Enoch and Ora Salter. The family moved to Mobile in 1940. In 1958, she married Andrew Emmett Spence, Sr.

In her early years of employment, she held positions as a bookkeeper until going to work for the License Commissioner's Office in the 1960s.

She attended the University of South Alabama and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1970 at the age of 50. Inez taught at Adelia Williams Public School for 1 year and then moved to Crichton Academy (later known as Knollwood Christian) for 12 years. During that period of time, she returned to the University of South Alabama and earned a Master of Arts Degree in 1977. In 1982, Inez retired in order to spend time at home with her husband, Emmett.

After her husband's death in 1986, Inez joined the Mobile Infirmity Medical Center Auxiliary and served as Assistant Treasurer from 1990-1998. She remained active in volunteering until she had a heart attack in 2004.

Inez was a member of Dauphin Way Baptist Church and the New Fellowship Sunday School Class until moving to Rockwall, Texas in 2006 to live with her stepdaughter, Jeanette Bauchman, and husband, Mike.

After moving to Rockwall, Inez joined First Baptist Church and the Martha Sunday School Class. The Martha Class welcomed her with open arms and she loved being a member and participating in many activities. She stayed busy with church, friends, and family. She enjoyed the symphony, eating out, socializing with friends and family, crocheting, coloring, and games. Every Sunday, rain or shine, she was in Sunday School and church and then on to lunch with the "girls." On Tuesday nights, she looked forward to "Girls Night Out" with her friends at the Senior Center where they shared a meal and then got down to business playing their table games. She could hardly wait for Fridays so she could have lunch with other friends.

She was quite the cook prior to moving to Rockwall when she proudly announced she was

hanging up her apron. Her grandchildren frequently talk about her cooking and the good times they had sitting at her table.

Inez was an avid reader. Every time she went to church, her first stop was the library. That was in addition to her every other week trip to the Rockwall Public Library and trading books with fellow readers. She averaged at least 2 books per week. She always kept a very detailed list of all the books she read.

Inez was also gifted at sewing and crocheting. She made lap quilts by hand for many of her family members. She also hand-quilted a queen size quilt for all seven of her stepchildren. All of this in addition to the aprons, blankets, and hot pads that she made. If anybody in the family needed something hemmed or mended Mama 'Nez was the one to call.

Inez did a lot of things during her life. However, who she was is what is important. She was a lovely Christian lady with a gentle spirit. She was quiet – never showy. One morning after she was in her late 90s and had not come out of her bedroom yet, we opened the door slightly to make sure she was all right only to find her on her little knees beside her bed praying. Her faith was what guided her every move. She was faithful to read the Bible, pray, and to attend and support her beloved church.

The precious people of First Baptist Church, Rockwall, especially the members of the Martha Sunday School class, family, and other friends, blessed and enriched her life from the time she was 86 until she went home to be with her Lord on July 1, 2019. For that, her family will be forever grateful. The family also wishes to acknowledge the Hope Healthcare hospice team for their loving, compassionate, and professional care since April of 2019. She looked forward to every visit, anxiously awaiting their arrival. They helped make her final days and hours more comfortable and less frightening.

Inez was preceded in death by her spouse, Andrew Emmett Spence, Sr., her parents, Enoch & Ora Salter, her brothers, John & Melvin Salter, her sister, Alma Whitten, her stepsons Andrew, Dan, Pete and Jack Spence. She is survived by three stepdaughters – Roxie Bunch of Mobile, Alabama, Janice Cochran (Frank) of Nixa, Missouri, and Jeanette Bauchman (Mike) of Rockwall, Texas, her nephew, James Salter (Tricia) of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and niece, Erin Weldon of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. She lived a full and blessed life.

Inez will be interred at Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama, at a private graveside service officiated by her nephew, James Salter. In lieu of flowers, the family would request

that you make a donation to First Baptist Church, Rockwall, Texas and designate it for the library in her memory.

# Cemetery

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## **Pine Crest Cemetery**

1939 Dauphin Island Pkwy

Mobile, AL, 36605

# Comments

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“ So blessed to have known this precious lady.

**Norma Cummings** - July 04 at 02:13 PM

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**Jeanette Bauchman** - July 04 at 10:05 AM



“ I have a framed copy of this photo of her...so precious with the doggies.

**Erin** - July 04 at 05:34 PM

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“ Aunt Inez truly walked in the shoes of the fisherman. She was always a gentle and kind lady who tried to find the good in people. She will always be in my heart and mind for the love she gave to me and my family. I loved her dearly. Erin Salter Weldon

**Erin Weldon** - July 03 at 04:02 PM

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“ Aunt Inez was a saint! I thank God for her life, her love, and her impact on my life!  
James Salter

**James Salter** - July 03 at 02:28 PM