

## **Reta Jay Shelton | 1943-2014**

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Reta Jay “RJay” Shelton

Reta Jay “RJay” Shelton, 70, died Monday, Aug. 11, 2014, in Decatur after almost a four-year battle with cancer.

Funeral is 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, at Christian-Hawkins Funeral Home chapel in Boyd, with burial in Oaklawn Cemetery in Decatur. Speaker will be Dane Shelton, assisted by Joe Caballero. Dub Shelton, Dane Shelton, Blaine Shelton, Zachary Shelton, Treat Peterson and Cody Peterson will serve as pallbearers.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

RJay was born Dec. 15, 1943, to J.W and Reta (Sparkman) Taylor in Ballinger. She graduated from Ballinger High School and was valedictorian of her graduating class from LVN nursing school. RJay retired from Airborne Express as a regional manager.

She was very active in the Boyd Elementary School Booster Club, and was a loving mother and grandmother, and a friend to many.

Survivors include her sons, Dub Shelton and wife, Debbie, of Gallitan, Tenn., Dane Shelton of Decatur and Blaine Shelton and wife, Jenny, of San Angelo; daughter Tammi Peterson and husband, Stephen, of Fort Worth; grandsons Zac Shelton, Treat Peterson, Cody Peterson, Landon Shelton, Blake Shelton and Ryder Shelton; granddaughters Amanda Peterson, Mary Peterson, Brayden Shelton and Grace Shelton; great-grandson Colton Shelton; brother Dick Taylor and wife, Theresa, of Celina; other family members and a host of friends.