



## Cleo Reed

September 5, 1917 - May 28, 2017

Cleo Beck Reed, 99, of El Campo, passed away May 28, 2017. She was born in Bay City, TX on September 5, 1917 to the late Casey and Marie Egan Beck. They moved to El Campo when she was a child and she attended school there. After graduation, she worked as a bookkeeper for several years before her marriage to E.A. "Turkey" Reed on October 2, 1935. "Turkey" died in September 1985 just two weeks before their 50th anniversary. Cleo was a devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was extremely proud of her family and hosted most family gatherings. She was known for her cooking ability, especially her dewberry pies. She cooked for the cowboys when the family worked the cattle and for the harvest crews when they were cutting rice. She enjoyed playing cards and was in several bridge clubs. She also enjoyed traveling.

She is survived by daughter, Jayne Gay Appling and husband John Paul; son, Jack Edgar Reed and companion Kelli Wendel; grandchildren, J. Paul Appling, Jr. and wife Laura, Mark Appling and wife Phyllis, Clay Reed and wife Conni and Melissa Page and husband Mark; great-grandchildren, Blake Appling, Meagen Post and husband Tyre, Dustin Appling, Tyler Appling, Landon Appling, Caitlin Appling and Reed Bartosh; caregiver, Linda Cardenas and close friends, Lynn Reed and Ruth Ehrhardt.

Visitation begins 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 30 at Triska Funeral Home with family receiving visitors from 6-8 p.m. Memorial services begin 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 31 at First United Methodist Church in El Campo with Rev. Margot Perez-Greene officiating. Interment will be private.

Honorary pallbearers will be grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be made to El Campo Volunteer Fire Department, El Campo EMS or First United Methodist Church.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home  
612 Merchant Street  
El Campo, TX 77437-3440  
(979) 543-3681  
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

## Family Will Receive Visitors

MAY 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home  
612 Merchant Street  
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## Memorial Service

MAY 31. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Methodist Church  
1001 Avenue I  
El Campo, TX 77437

# Tribute Wall



“ *Diana Huvar lit a candle in memory of Cleo Reed*



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**Diana Huvar** - May 29, 2017 at 10:35 PM

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“ *Jack sorry to hear this sad news.. You had a beautiful mom inside and out... She will truly be missed. You and all your family will be remembered in prayer ... God's blessings .. Butch and Bernie*

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**Bernadette Medford** - May 29, 2017 at 09:41 PM

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“ *Such a sweet, elegant lady! She was a good friend to my mother (Lillie Mae Pall) and always so kind and welcoming to me. Like Mom, she lived a long and blessed life and will be missed by all who had the privilege to know her. My condolences to her family*

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**Barbara Roy** - May 29, 2017 at 02:37 PM