



## Iva Lee Denton

February 10, 1934 - November 5, 2019

At 7:07 a.m. on November 5, 2019, Iva Lee Denton went to join her Heavenly family: husband, Gordon Denton, parents Ferman and Georgia Coggins, brothers Arvid "Rip" Coggins, Lucas Coggins, and sister Valire Ottinger.

A Tribute to his mother written by Terryl Denton (1997)

Somehow when I was young, I lost my way.

My way of thinking, of feeling, of understanding, of loving.

But still I had one very special thing.

I found my way down a path of sorrow, of sadness, of destruction, of hate.

But I still had one very special thing.

When things finally got their worst, when I was near my end, my death,

I found my way back. I found my way back with that one very special thing,

My mama's love, God's love.

The same.

A Tribute to his mother written by Bradly Denton

She was as proud of hailing from the "Old Fifteenth" as she was of being a graduate of Washington College Academy, two times in her life from which she would often share stories. She never knew a stranger or felt out of place, from an old time revival with friends and family to business executives and their wives at retreats with Gordon. She loved watching basketball as she played while attending Washington College Academy. She liked watching Jeopardy, Wheel of Fortune, Seinfeld, and reruns of Hee Haw. She had a quick wit and was a much stronger person than she probably ever felt. She was a great Southern cook and made the best biscuits and gravy, sweet tea, and potato soup you'd ever taste. She was a lover of pets and passed this on to her sons. As Terryl headed out to his many beloved outdoor and hunting activities, she introduced me to the piano. She loved to sing along to the many hymns that echoed in our home, but her favorite was the Little Drummer Boy. Her beautiful blue eyes often accompanying the most radiant smile will be missed beyond words. Well done, Mama. Glory be to God. Rest in Peace.

The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to the many friends and family in the Del Rio Community who came to aid and comfort Gordon and Iva Lee in their times of need over the past few years. A special thank you, words cannot express, to John David and Yevonne Owens for their undying friendship, comfort, and aid through so many trying times. "Brother and Sister". God Bless

Iva Lee is survived by sons, Terry Denton and Brad Denton, grandchildren Taylor Denton and Dillon Denton (wife Whitney), great grandchildren Axton and Jett, sister Stephane Coggins Banks, and many nieces and nephews and many friends through the country. Per her request she was cremated and no services are planned.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at [www.manesfuneralhome.com](http://www.manesfuneralhome.com) or at the funeral home.

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

# Comments

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“ I am so sorry to hear about this. She was a sweet lady and was always so nice to me and Macy. Praying for the family.

**Missy Butler Fletcher** - November 26, 2019 at 03:12 PM

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“ Terryl and Brad so very sorry to learn of your mothers passing. May the Lord Bless and comfort you and family....

**Abby Balch** - November 25, 2019 at 06:38 PM

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“ I AM SO VERY SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT IVA LEE. YOU ARE IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.  
LISA SANE GILES

**LISA GILES** - November 14, 2019 at 09:37 AM

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“ The Denton family were great neighbors to our little family in Forest Hills. So sorry for your loss. Your dedication to both of your parents is admirable.

**Alisia Askew**

**Alisia Askew** - November 13, 2019 at 08:53 PM

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“ Iva Lee was my oldest and best friend. We met at Washington College Academy in 1948. We graduated in 1951. We both lived in the "dorm" sometimes sharing a half bed 'cause couldn't find two or a full one. We played basketball together although she had a deformity to her feet, she didn't let that stop her. I spent more time with the Coggins family in the day than at my own. They were my family and I loved them all. We kept in touch through good times and bad. Gonna miss her so much. Luv

**Martha Mitchell Izaguirre** - November 13, 2019 at 01:52 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. I know your heart is broken. We love you and are praying for you.

Anthony, Wendy, and Tyler Haney

Wendy Haney - November 12, 2019 at 09:54 AM

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“ The Collins family is thinking of you guys. She will be greatly missed. She treated me like her own son. I couldn't wait to make the trip to Newport every chance I got. She always treated me like funny. Hang on the Buddy Did.

Love , Scotty

Scotty Collins - November 11, 2019 at 08:43 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. Mike and Debbie Epley

Mike Epley - November 11, 2019 at 05:28 PM

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“ Condolences to The Family, Gail M.



gail Metcalf - November 11, 2019 at 03:13 PM

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“ Terryl, I am sorry to hear about your mom passing. She was a sweet lady, always nice to me. I know she had to be so proud of the man you became and the way you cared for her. Not many would do the things that you did for her. Love and prayers for you.

Amy Burnett Dorsey - November 11, 2019 at 11:29 AM

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“ Terryl and Brad, we're so sorry to hear of your loss and will keep you in our prayers. Your mom was a great neighbor and I always enjoyed her great smile and visits when we would be around each other. God bless you and yours. Marvin and Katie Gentry

**katie gentry** - November 11, 2019 at 10:41 AM

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“ Terryl and Brad I want to say how sorry I am to hear of your Mother's passing. She was an amazing woman who cared deeply for others. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. God bless you all

**Marty Coakley** - November 11, 2019 at 09:46 AM

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“ Terryl ~ I am so sorry for your loss. Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.

**Rosa Sutton** - November 11, 2019 at 09:33 AM

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“ Remembering when the family moved to the Forest Hill community and how kind and thoughtful everyone was. May God bless and comfort the family.

**Sandra Dawson Nuttall** - November 10, 2019 at 03:26 PM

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“ Terryl, the love and care you showed for your mama is amazing. You gave her happiness to see the man you became and the love you showed her. We will pray for you during this sad time, but a happy homecoming was held the second she died. We believe it and we will see it too someday. Love you my friend!

**Kevin and Donna Lamb** - November 09, 2019 at 10:28 AM

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“ Terryl, your mother was blessed to have a son like you and your dedication to her was amazing. With deepest sympathy on your loss.

**Randall and Connie Frisbee** - November 08, 2019 at 10:06 PM

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“ Prayers for the family.

Jay & Mary Ann Chrisman

**Mary Ann Chrisman** - November 08, 2019 at 08:20 PM

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“ Terryl, So sorry to hear. It's such a painful yet rewarding thing to care for our parents as they pass from this world to the next, but I know you were honored to do it. I am sure they would tell you, as well as our Father in heaven would, job well done. Prayers for you and yours.

**Tracey Smith** - November 08, 2019 at 06:52 PM



“ Terryl, you have honored your mother by taking care of her and God will bless you for this. I pray for comfort from God. Peace and Love Abbie and Johnny Harrison

**Abbie J Harrison** - November 09, 2019 at 08:42 AM

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“ Brad, I'm so, so sorry about your Mom. Still have fond memories of her from way back when. You were, and are, so lucky to be raised by such a sweet and caring mother. Love you, Brad, and think of you so often!! Imma gonna find you one day and drag you to reminisce somewhere.

**Tracey Smith** - November 08, 2019 at 06:46 PM

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“ Terryl, we are so sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers now and in the days ahead.

**Parker & Nanette Wilds** - November 08, 2019 at 04:36 PM

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“ Terryl sorry for lost of your mom. Prayers my friend. Grub

**Billy Jones** - November 08, 2019 at 04:17 PM

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“ Both of you were so very fortunate to have been brought on this earth by two very special and awesome people. So sorry to hear of your moms passing.....



**Jeff Kyker** - November 08, 2019 at 02:49 PM

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**Manes Funeral Home, Inc.** - November 08, 2019 at 12:54 PM



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**Martha Mitchell Izaguirre** - November 13, 2019 at 01:54 PM