

# Obituary: Jo Ann Tackitt Maddox Graves

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**Jo Ann Tackitt Maddox Graves**, longtime pastor's wife, died April 9 in Waco. She was 86. She was born on the McFadden Ranch west of Knox City to Andrew Chester Tackitt and Lena Mae Stone Tackitt on Aug. 18, 1932. She began her education in a one-room school at Brock Country School and Sunset Country School. After she graduated high school in Munday, she attended Brantley Daughns Business College in Fort Worth. She met Jack Maddox in Fort Worth, and they were married July 7, 1951. She and her husband, who was a pastor, ministered in Connecticut, Indiana, Utah and Oregon, as well as Texas. After his death, she married another pastor, Hilary B. Graves. Together they worked in missions in Vermont, where they started three churches. She was preceded in death by both husbands; her daughter, Jackie Shoyer; and a stepdaughter, Tori Hicks. She is survived by her son, James Maddox and wife Melanie of Hewitt; stepson, Ben Graves and wife Amanda of San Antonio; stepdaughter, Phoi McGuire and husband Steve of Haskell; son-in-law, Carl Shoyer and wife Judy of Lubbock; brother, Merle Tackitt and wife Ann of Granbury; 8 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

