

# Mary Ann Allen



Mary Ann Allen passed away on February 15, 2025. Born in Watson, LA, she was 84 years old and survived by her three loving children: her daughter Amanda Susan Allen Benton (Mandy), her son W.B. Allen, Jr. (Billy) and her adoring youngest son Reymond Earl Allen; four grandchildren: Katie Benton Thompson, Madeline Allen Kircher, Elizabeth Ann Allen (Libby) and W.B. Allen, III (Will); four great grand-children: Benton Thompson, Hayes Thompson, Bryleigh Thompson, Alden Kircher and Louis Kircher; her brother Spencer Coxe and sister Lori Coxe, as well as many nieces and nephews and other members of her extended family. She was preceded in death by her husband W.B. Allen, her parents Reymond Coxe and Jessie Martin Coxe, and her siblings Eugene Watson, Milton M. Coxe, William K. Coxe, and Reymond Coxe, Jr.

She was a graduate of Live Oak High School in Watson in 1958 and attended Southeastern Louisiana University and Louisiana State University. A pillar in the Livingston Parish real estate industry for over 30 years, she first began selling real estate with Cub Covington Real Estate in 1983 and then went on to obtain her real estate broker's license and founded M.A. Allen Real Estate in 1993. Together with her agents and business partners, she built her firm into one of the largest local real estate firms in Livingston Parish history during the parish's landmark real estate boom in the 1990s. Additionally, she served on the board of directors of First Guaranty Bank in Hammond, LA during this time. She was a long-time member of the Livingston Parish Board of Realtors, a contributor to numerous charitable organizations, a huge Live Oak Eagles and LSU Tigers fan and a lifelong member of Live Oak United Methodist Church.

Visitation services will be held at Live Oak Church in Watson on Thursday, February 20, 2025 from 2:00-3:00 PM, with funeral services scheduled at 3:00-3:30 pm to be conducted by Reverend Mark Crosby and followed by a private

family burial at the Live Oak Church cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to be made to the Alzheimer's Association, the American Diabetes Association, the Emerge Center of Baton Rouge, LA and Live Oak Church.