

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 519

In Memory
of
Betty Jean Snyder

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Betty Jean Snyder, who died March 6, 2009, at the age of 79; and

WHEREAS, Betty Jean Snyder was born September 10, 1929; blessed with an unquenchable desire for knowledge, she traveled the state, nation, and world seeking new experiences and understanding; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Snyder and her husband, P.B., embarked on many journeys to such locales as the Galapagos Islands, the Panama Canal, and Hawaii; also in their travels they participated in back-country primitive camping, backpacking along the Continental Divide, and exploring Europe in a Volkswagen camper; and

WHEREAS, An accomplished genealogist and researcher, Mrs. Snyder compiled a history of all 254 county seats in Texas; she belonged to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, and 12 of her ancestors were citizens of the republic; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Snyder devoted herself to the activities of her sons, Rocky and Grant; she served as a Cub Scout den mother, was active in the Parent Teacher Association, and encouraged her sons to participate in a wide variety of pursuits, including science projects and music lessons; she was active in the family's local Baptist church, where she taught Sunday School in the primary division; and

WHEREAS, Among Mrs. Snyder's passions was the small plot of forested land that she and P.B. acquired in East Texas; her impressive skills as a gardener were honed there and transferred to her always beautiful yard; and

WHEREAS, A woman of courage, strength, and compassion, she gave unselfishly to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who knew her; and

WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife and mother, and her family and friends will continue to live with the cherished memories of her life and her many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Betty Jean Snyder; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Betty Jean Snyder.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 25, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate