



Barbara Genette Baker

March 15, 1941 - March 27, 2021

Barbara Genette Baker, age 80, passed away March 27, 2021. She was born March 15, 1941 in Houston, Texas to Otis Wilson Shaw and Lois Sims Shaw. She was raised in Baytown by her loving aunt, graduating from Robert E. Lee High School in 1959. She eventually moved to Willis / New Waverly and established this area as her home for the remainder of her life, raising two sons with husband John Fanestiel. She then married Marvin Richard Baker and had her third son. Richard passed in 1990, leaving Barbara to raise her youngest son as a single mother. In her later years, Barbara was blessed to have met Tony Yorek, her companion who shared her love of flowers, gardening, and family.

Barbara was a Christian who loved God, always putting Him first. She loved her family very much and will be missed dearly by everyone whose life was touched by her. She was happiest when talking about her family, working in her many flower gardens, reading, or spending time with church activities. For Barbara, family wasn't blood- family to her was more than that. Her cousin Genette was more like a sister than a cousin and Miss Betty was more family than some blood family. That is just how Barbara was.

She is survived by her son Fred Fanestiel, Sr. and wife Sheree; daughter-in-law Pamela Fanestiel; son Daryl Baker and wife Missy; step-children through Richard Baker; sister Ellen Schultz; sister Mary Webb and husband Earl; brother Douglas Shaw; sister Helen Hilton and husband Robert; brother Phil Dutton and wife Bonnie; sister Sue Morgan and husband Havis; 9

grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; cousins; and many other relatives and friends. Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Marvin Richard Baker, son Edward Fanestiel, and grandson Christopher Graham.

Join us in a celebration of her life. Visitation is scheduled with the family for Monday, April 5th at 9:00 AM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis, Texas. Brother Russell Hayes of Abundant Faith will lead the celebration at 10:00 AM after visitation. Burial will follow services at Antioch Cemetery in Lovelady, Texas.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfm.com

Funeral Service

APR 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JB

“*Mrs. Baker, I just found out about your passing. We are grateful you sold us your New Waverly property. We love this piece of land and take great care of all the beautiful flowers you planted with so much love and dedication. May you rest in peace and my deepest condolences to her family.*

Joan Belmont - October 31, 2025 at 11:50 PM



“*Barbara Genette Baker*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM

AB

“*Loved her so much! She was so loving and kind! Will miss her so much! Praying for all of you.*

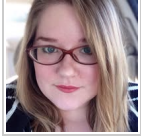
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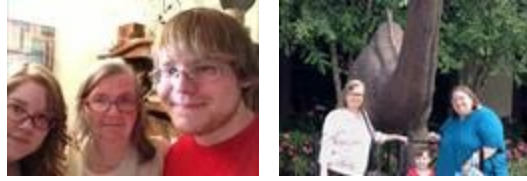
“*Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara Genette Baker.*



April 02, 2021 at 01:55 AM



“ *Grandma was one of the sweetest people you’d ever meet. I look forward to the day I’ll be reunited with her and dad in heaven.* ”



Christine Fanestiel - April 02, 2021 at 01:13 AM

JS

Wow this is one of Barbra’s good friend Janie Scott I did not know she past away. Can you send me details on what happend

Janie Scott - May 01, 2021 at 05:05 PM

GK

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall* ”



Genette Kates - March 31, 2021 at 07:25 PM

MF

“ *I loved grandma being a year iinto this fanily i wish i could have gotten ti know her netter she was always there for me mad shane. We love and miss you grandma and molly misses her mommy.* ”



Mary rodriguez fanedteil - March 31, 2021 at 11:19 AM