



Beverly Gayle Roark

August 21, 1954 - November 10, 2025

Beverly “Bev” Roark, age 71, passed into glory on November 10, 2025, in Huntsville TX.

She was born on August 21, 1954, in Sugar Land TX, to her parents Reuben and Vlasta Frenzel. Beverly grew up with a deep love for family, music and education; qualities that shaped every part of her life.

She graduated from Lamar Consolidated High School, then attended Wharton County Junior College on a full band scholarship. She then completed her bachelor’s degree in business at Sam Houston State University.

During her time at Sam Houston State University, she met Gary Roark, who quickly became the love of her life. Both shared a passion for music, and when he composed a song for her, she instantly realized he was the one.

They were married on July 22, 1977, and together shared more than 48 years filled with love, laughter and devotion to each other. While newly married, she continued her education and earned a master’s degree in marketing from the University of Houston.

In 1982, Beverly began her memorable career at New Waverly High School, teaching Marketing and Business Communications. She had a desire to prepare high school students for careers in marketing and finance, which led her to be the sponsor for the school’s DECA program. With her leadership, the school’s DECA program won many competitions, both at state and national levels. Under her leadership, the program also organized and operated a school store, which funded the students’ numerous competitions. She retired

in 2010 after impacting many students' lives.

Retirement highlighted her “skills” in shopping, crafting, and floral design. In more recent years, she took up several new hobbies; cruising the waterways with the love of her life and teaching herself to play the piano, which led to her and Gary organizing their gospel band, Southern Hope Band.

Family and friends will long remember her warmth, kindness, love and quiet strength she carried throughout her life. Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of beautiful memories.

She is survived by her loving husband, Gary Roark, cousin Nadine Carlisle, Brother-in-Laws, Edwin Roark Jr. and wife Jackie, Robert Roark and wife Mary, and Sister-in-Law, Evelyn Bennett, along with numerous nieces and nephews, as well as great and great-great, and the many students that walked through her classroom door that became her children. She was also blessed with extended family, Eric and Michelle Garcia and her special granddaughter Savannah, who lovingly called her “GG”.

Beverly is preceded in death by her parents, Reuben and Vlasta Frenzel.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM followed by the service beginning at 11:00 AM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville. She will be laid to rest at Dodge Cemetery immediately following the service.

Memorial condolences may be made to the family at www.shmfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Dodge Cemetery

FM 405
Dodge

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340

Service

NOV 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

NOV 18. 12:30 PM (CT)

Dodge Cemetery
FM 405
Dodge

Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Beverly Gayle Roark*



Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - November 18, 2025 at 01:10 PM

DW

“ *Beverly was one of the sweetest and kindest people I have ever met. It was both a blessing and a privilege to know her.*

Gary, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Dorene Walding - November 21, 2025 at 02:28 PM

BM

“ *She was truly a very special lady and friend had lunch with them several times at the Old Texas Cafe always positive attitude and her beautiful smile and true love for her family and friends and her wonderful Husband Gary sorry for your loss but heaven awaits her. Truly a very positive person.*

Brian Miller - November 16, 2025 at 09:21 AM

BC

“ Sadden to read of Beverly’s passing. Such a sweet lady! She helped my mother with several projects and one being my wedding 38 years ago. Did a wonderful job and made my day very special. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the service but Gary, Edwin and family I will be praying for comfort and healing in the wonderful memories.

Bridgette Neeley Clay - November 16, 2025 at 12:32 AM

PB

“ Prayers sent with love. We will miss her for sure. Savannah was so blessed to have Beverly as a part of her life.

Penny and Tom Baker - November 13, 2025 at 05:14 PM

MC

“ Beverly was one of the sweetest ever! She and Gary were great friends to all of the pickers and grinners! We’re gonna miss Beverly a lot!!

Mark Chalker - November 13, 2025 at 10:33 AM

NH

“ May you find comfort in Gods peace.



Nancy Hopper - November 13, 2025 at 09:53 AM

ST

“ You'll never be forgotten for your true kindness towards me my children & their children just a beautiful soul RIP



Sherry Treanor - November 13, 2025 at 01:23 AM

PI

“ Pamela Bartee Irby planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Beverly Gayle Roark.

Pamela Bartee Irby - November 12, 2025 at 08:45 PM

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“ Pamela Bartee Irby purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Beverly Gayle Roark.



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“ Our family all of us planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Beverly Gayle Roark.

Our family all of us - November 12, 2025 at 07:36 PM

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“ Our family all of us purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Beverly Gayle Roark.



Our family all of us - November 12, 2025 at 07:36 PM

MR

“ Doing years of DECA, I spent a lot of time with Mrs. Roark. From making mums to helping in the store to setting up the city haunted house, she was always willing to lend some knowledge or a hand. One of my favorite memories was when we flew to state (I think it was), we talked the flight attendant into telling her they lost her luggage. She was so sweet about it, but she soon learned it was us. She said we were troublemakers, but I know she secretly loved it ;-)
I think a lot of students didn't realize how well she could take a joke and play around. It always tickled me listening to her and Mr. Roark address each other. You could tell they were soulmates and happily in it for life. My heart goes out to her entire family, but especially to him.

Melody Russell - November 12, 2025 at 07:20 PM

TD

“ I was sad to read of her passing. Beverly was such a sweet lady! I only knew her for a few years but she made a lasting impression in that short time. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the service but I will pray for Gary and the entire family.

Tammie Dworsky - November 12, 2025 at 04:05 PM

DK

“ I’m so sorry for your loss, she was such a sweet person. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends.

Darlene Kelley - November 12, 2025 at 12:51 PM

MF

“ Lifting up the family and friends of Beverly Roark for comfort and healing from our Lord Jesus Christ.



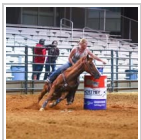
Marvin Hyvl & Family - November 12, 2025 at 11:37 AM

GK

“ Condolences to her family and friends 🙏



Gayle Kelly - November 12, 2025 at 10:16 AM



“ Such a wonderful lady. I have so many memories making homecoming mums with her after school while waiting for Mom to get in from her bus route.

Mandy Lightsey - November 12, 2025 at 08:57 AM