



Cathey Sides

September 18, 1944 - January 9, 2023

Wanda Catherine Sides passed away on January 9, 2023 at the age of 78 in Huntsville, Texas. Cathey, Mom, or her favorite, Grandma, as she is known to friends and family, was born in Bryan, Texas on September 18, 1944 to Curtis Doss Howell and Wanda Catherine (Fisher) Howell. Cathey grew up in Bryan and Pasadena, Texas and enjoyed time with friends and family, all of which she enjoyed until her passing. A young woman growing up in the 1950's, Cathey thoroughly enjoyed the movies and the music of the times, something she continued to enjoy until her passing; so much so that she refused to watch modern movies or streaming services because Doris Day was no longer making movies. While living in Bryan in her later high school years, she met the love of her life, Michael Lynn Sides.

Cathey and Mike were married January 3, 1964, and welcomed their first son, Michael (Mike) Taylor Sides later that same year in Bryan. In 1966, Cathey and Mike welcomed Randall (Randy) Arthur Sides and in 1969 they added their third son, Clyde (David) Sides to the family.

Mike's career with Goodyear Tire and Rubber took Cathey and the boys from Bryan to Wharton in 1965. The next family move was to Victoria, Texas in 1967, then to Houston in 1969. In 1973 the family moved to Huntsville where they stayed until 1979. During this stint in Huntsville, Cathey enjoyed her time working at Lufkin Federal Credit Union. In 1979 the family moved to Spring, Texas. In 1981 the family returned to Huntsville where Cathey continued her work in banking with the Walker County Federal Credit Union. Mike and

Cathey continued to live in Huntsville until their passings and were proud members of the First Baptist Church of Huntsville. Some of the greatest joys of Cathey's life was cheerleading her boys in numerous sporting events as the young family grew up together. It was not uncommon for Cathey to get angry stares and glares from an umpire or referee; a feisty streak that was maintained by Cathey into her late 70's.

Cathey is survived by her son Randy and his wife Rhonda, son David and his wife Sherri and sister-in-law Janice Howell. Cathey is also survived by grandson Michael Mallams and his wife Jenn, granddaughters Kristen Fitzpatrick and her husband Weston, Jessica Sides Chavez and her husband Kelsi, 2nd Lt. Lauren Hunter Sides, and Madeleine Kate Sides. Cathey is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews and two great grandchildren, Reese and Riley Mallams.

Cathey is preceded in death by her husband, Michael Lynn Sides, her parents, Curtis and Wanda Howell, brother Timothy Wayne Howell, brother Randall Curtis Howell, brother Donald Arthur Howell and son Michael Taylor Sides.

A private family ceremony and celebration of Cathey's life will be held by family at Sam Houston Funeral Home in Huntsville. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Wounded Warriors Project.

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

Tribute Wall

FC

“ *From Cousin Beki and Charles Corporon purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Cathey Sides.*



From Cousin Beki and Charles Corporon - January 19, 2023
at 05:23 PM

JN

“ *Jennifer Newton purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Cathey Sides.*



Jennifer Newton - January 19, 2023 at 11:36 AM

JH

“ *I lost my sister-law (sister) friend and confidant. She was my maid of honor at my wedding to her brother. We have been through weddings, births, and deaths. We had so much fun together (Mike) included. I miss her so much. All I want to do is pick up the phone and say Cat what are you up to? I love you Cat. I will see you.*

Janice Howell - January 17, 2023 at 08:41 PM

DA

“ CATHEY AND I WENT TO HIGHSCHOOL TOGETHER FROM 1960-1963. OUR CHILDREN WERE EVEN BORN CLOSE TOGETHER. I MOVED SEVERAL TIMES BUT CATHEY ALWAYS FOUND ME. WE TALKED FOR HOURS EVERY COUPLE OF SAYS AND I MISS MY PHONE RINGING BECAUSE SHE MADE MY DAY. SHE BRIGHTEN MY DAYS AND EVEN MADE MY HUSBAND LAUGH EVERY TIME SHE CALLED. I BIT SHE WILL GIVE THE ANGELS IN HEAVEN A GOOD LAUGH NOW AND THEN.

DONNA BELL ATKINSON - January 16, 2023 at 07:03 PM

CN

“ *Clay Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Cathey Sides*



Clay Newcomb - January 16, 2023 at 07:44 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Cathey Sides.*



January 13, 2023 at 02:20 PM

GJ

“ *About once a month Cathey would brighten our day at the dealership by bringing fresh out of the oven banana pudding. RIP Cathey and Mike. Y'all are missed*

Gary Joyce - January 13, 2023 at 12:59 PM

MC

“ I send my condolences to Cathy's family. I will miss my friend and neighbor. She checked on me and I checked on her. Praying for you all at this time.

Maxceen Hawkins Crawford - January 12, 2023 at 06:33 PM

MH

“ M. Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Cathey Sides



M. Hyvl - January 12, 2023 at 10:28 AM