



## Denise V. Reeves

December 25, 1957 - May 5, 2022

Denise Carol Vetuski Reeves, 64, of Trinity, TX was born Christmas Day, December 25, 1957 in Houston, TX. She attended Furr High School, graduating class of 1976, in Houston, TX.

Denise maintained a career in compensation in the oil field for over 40 years. From smoking cigarettes while playing cards in the lunchroom in the early years, to later enjoying quiet lunches out with coworkers, she developed lifelong friends who her children grew up calling Aunt.

She loved to travel with her family. Every year while her girls were growing up, the family would take two week road trips across the U.S. Experiences were important to her. In addition to traveling, she supported her daughters in years of dance lessons and performances.

Denise was an animal lover. She was never more devoted to, and loved in return than by her last dog, Toby. She was excited by any wildlife that she saw. If any came near her house she would refer to them as hers. Mark would feed "her deer" in the front yard. "Her ducks" came to visit out back. She referred to her daughters' pets as her grandcats and granddog.

She loved living on the lake where she could get up every day and look out upon the peacefulness of the water. Though Denise was a private person who preferred a quiet evening at home, she cared about the people in her life very deeply, sometimes unknowingly by others. Christmas was her favorite time of year. Decorating, baking and opening presents wasn't what she looked forward to the most, it was ensuring everyone who came to her home had the best, most joyous time they possibly could have.

Denise died fighting a three year battle with ovarian cancer. She did not want to give up, and she continued to have hope and fought until her last breath. She was comforted and cared for by her husband Mark, every step of the way.

Denise is survived by her loving husband of 37 years, Mark; her daughters Amy Sides and Lisa; son-in-law Joe Sides; her brothers Walter and Paul Vetuski; her parents-in-law Armon and Delores Reeves; siblings-in-law Terry Reeves, Linda and Joe Garcia, Karen and Michael Rainwater. She was preceded in death by her parents, Emilia and Felix Woodrow Vetuski.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Services will immediately follow at 1:00 PM. She will be laid to rest at Eastern Gate Cemetery in Trinity, Texas at 2:30 PM.

Memorial condolences to the family may be made at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr  
Huntsville

## Funeral Service

MAY 10. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr  
Huntsville

## Graveside Service

MAY 10. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Eastern Gate Cemetery  
Trinity, TX 75862

# Tribute Wall



“ *Denise V. Reeves*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Mrs. Reeves was a beautiful person. She was so kind and thoughtful. She fought a tough fight, but never let it define who she was. It was an honor and pleasure to know her and take care of her. All my love and many sympathetic prayers.*  
*Christie Potts*

**Christie Potts** - May 19, 2022 at 03:38 PM



“ *Mike Reeves lit a candle in memory of Denise V. Reeves*



**Mike Reeves** - May 09, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Denise V. Reeves.*



May 09, 2022 at 04:17 PM

MH

“ *M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Denise V. Reeves*



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**M. Hyvl** - May 09, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Denise V. Reeves.*



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May 09, 2022 at 01:17 PM

MJ

“ *Melba Reeves James purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Denise V. Reeves.*



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**Melba Reeves James** - May 09, 2022 at 01:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise V. Reeves.*



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May 09, 2022 at 12:05 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Denise V. Reeves.*



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May 09, 2022 at 12:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise V. Reeves.*



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May 09, 2022 at 09:27 AM