



Diane Donohoo Tinsley

February 11, 1939 - May 17, 2012

Diane Donohoo Tinsley Diane Donohoo Tinsley passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Mother's Day, May 13, 2012. She was born on February 11, 1939, in Marlin, Texas, to Richard and Dorothy Donohoo, who preceded her in death. Diane is survived by David Tinsley; daughter, Deborah Humphreys and husband Stephen; sons Scott Tinsley and wife Hedaya, Jeffrey Tinsley and wife Veronique; grandchildren, Taylor, Preston, Hayden, Marshall, Mason and Morgan; brother Mike Donohoo; and many other close relatives. Diane's life was a lesson to all in how to live with love and smile through adversity. Her sweet disposition, quick sense of humor, and gentle nature endeared her to her many friends. She had a very adventurous spirit and enjoyed flowers, shopping, sewing and, most of all, being with her family. Her passing on Mother's Day signified her devotion to being a wonderful mother and grandmother. The family would like to thank the many special friends who gave her genuine laughter and hope, visited and prepared food, and prayed with and for her during her long battle with Parkinson's disease. We would also like to specially thank the staff of Virginia's Lakeview Home, Lighthouse Hospice, and the many caregivers who provided comfort and peace during her illness. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, from 5:00 until 7:30 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, Huntsville, Texas. A celebration of her life will begin at 10:00 AM on Thursday, May 17, at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, with graveside services to be held at Hillcrest Cemetery in Marlin, Texas, at 3:00 p.m. Pallbearers will be

Taylor Humphreys, Preston Humphreys, Mason Tinsley, Chris Wilson, Brandon Wilson, Edwin McGowen, Jack Robbins, and Barry Donoho. Honorary pallbearers will be Stephen Humphreys, Craig Wilson, Carl Evans, Mike Donohoo, Talmadge Tinsley, Jim Woliver, Tom Donoho and Edward Scheiblich. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations may be made to: Boys & Girls Club of Walker County, P.O. Box 8600, Huntsville, Texas 77340 or Boys & Girls Club of Marlin, 500 Oak Street, Marlin, Texas 76661. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Diane Donohoo Tinsley*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Dear Tinsley Family,*

After learning of your Father's death, I was made aware of your Mother's death also.

May God continue to grant you peace in the passing of two remarkable people.

Love in Christ,

Coach Bob and Kathy Derryberry

Bob and Kathy Derryberry - December 15, 2014 at 08:07 AM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. She was such a sweet lady.*

Mellicent Wiley & Family - July 05, 2012 at 11:09 AM



“ *My prayers go out to the family on this great loss. It is a time when only our Lord can provide the comfort we need. I know she will be greatly missed.*

M. Hyvl - June 05, 2012 at 02:06 PM

MO

“ David and family, I apologize for not being there for the service. I was not aware of Diane's passing until the day after her service. She was a wonderful lady and friend. Mom enjoyed her so much and her spirit. She had a great laugh and enjoyed life. She will be missed. My prayers are with you all.

Mike O'Bannon - May 22, 2012 at 10:14 AM

TM

“ Scott, we didn't know your mother, but from what I've read above, she must have been a very special person. You and your Dad have our deepest sympathy. We miss you at HC.

Mr. & Mrs. Mondays (Sammy and Karan McLarty)

The McLartys - May 18, 2012 at 02:49 PM

SG

“ Deborah, My prayers are with you and your family. I am so sorry for your loss.

Sheila Sheffield Gaskins - May 17, 2012 at 03:05 PM

DV

“ Looking back at our high school annuals and seeing a picture of Diane as one of our class "favorites" brings back memories of the smiles and positive attitude she always seemed to have. The adjectives used by others to describe her only touch the surface of what she was really like and the way she interacted with others. Annette joins me in offering our sincere condolences to the family.

David Voelter - May 16, 2012 at 09:29 PM

HS

“ *Diane will forever hold a special place in my heart for the memories of all our times and years together. The fantastic occasions and fun experiences we had on trips together, raising the cousins together, and the sleepovers we shared at her home in Elkins only name a few of many. She so loved her beautiful environment and enhanced it with her lovely decor, lush plants, and blooming flowers in her peaceful setting. As I remember her today, I can only think of a lady as good as gold who possessed immense dignity no matter what her circumstance. Her caring and giving spirit, welcoming dazzling smile, twinkling eyes, and darling dimples gave such joy to all who were blessed to have known her. Thanks for the memories my dear friend. My love to The Family.*

Helen Taylor Sehon

Helen Taylor Sehon - May 16, 2012 at 07:27 PM

AL

“ *I have cherished memories of my friendship with Diane from childhood, high school, Sam Houston and on into adult life. I will remember her for her sweet manner and beautiful strawberry blond hair and blue eyes. She has gone to a place where there is no longer suffering or crying or pain. The former things have passed away.*

Carey and I send our love and condolences to all of you.

Ann Lindsay - May 16, 2012 at 02:32 PM

LD

“ Deborah, I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. Garrett has many fond memories of DeeDee. She was a beautiful woman inside and out. The love and bond between you two will be with you always as with your children. It's tough but she is at peace. My mother also wanted me to tell you that you are in her prayers. She too remembers the days of eating Thanksgiving dinner with the kids and your mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love ya! Linda, Randy, Carey and Garrett

LINDA DRILLING - May 16, 2012 at 12:15 PM

LJ

“ Dear David and family,
We are all saddened to learn of Diane's passing. She was a beautiful person, inside and out. Although I haven't seen her in years she will always be a special childhood friend. May all of find peace and know that God will sustain you through this difficult time. Our love and prayers are with you,
Leah and Jerry Jeffery

Leah Jeffery - May 16, 2012 at 10:45 AM

SD

“ Deborah.....
My prayers are with you and your family. May you find comfort in memories and strength in each others love throughout this very difficult time.

Shirlette Rolling Deveraux - May 16, 2012 at 09:54 AM

VD

“ Dear Deborah and family, Even though I only met your mother once, I learned what a wonderful, caring person she was by knowing you. Your care during the years of her illness demonstrated your devotion to her. Those years gave you precious time together and the memories you created will always be with you. I know... I speak from experience. God bless you. Vergie Dotson

Vergie Dotson - May 16, 2012 at 08:58 AM

CJ

“ The Tinsley family will always be in my thoughts and prayers. Debra keep up the good work.
Charles M. Lee Jr. formerly of Huntsville now residing in Groveton, Texas.

Charles M. Lee Jr - May 15, 2012 at 11:42 PM

LA

“ I will hold in my heart the memory of Diane when she was healthy and whole - laughing at the family reunions with my mother. Though I grieve her loss - especially for you, Deborah, Jeff, and Scott - know that there are awesome reunions in heaven right now, with your loving Mom whole and in her perfected body!

Lea Ann Ambler - May 15, 2012 at 07:50 PM

AB

“ Deborah, I am so sorry for the loss of your dear mother. I knew she loved you by the way she always attended & supported you in your school functions & activities. Also because of her parent involvement to booster support for you & all students. I consider her a very beautiful woman, inside & out, who loved & touched the lives of so many. I am grateful for having known such a wonderful woman. May you and your amazing family feel the love & comfort of the Lord during this time. May you hold dear & remember all of the special moments you have shared with your Mom. And may these sweet memories bring a smile & warmth, knowing that it is only a short time before you will see her again and can experience the warmth of her embrace. Until then, allow the Lord to comfort you.

Anita Crowson Bell - May 15, 2012 at 07:49 PM

CM

“ Deborah and family: Our prayers to you and your family on the passing of your Mother. I remember her always being at Prestons events with you. You could see the special bond the two of you shared. May your memories help you during this most difficult time. Our love,
Carolyn, Gary, Brittany & Spencer

Carolyn McClure - May 15, 2012 at 06:47 PM

LH

“ Praying for your family during this time of loss. Asking God to surround you with memories as you go thru these next few days.

Lisa, Makenzie & Madison Hayman - May 15, 2012 at 04:31 PM

JB

“ To Debra, David & the Tinsley Family,
I am so sorry for the loss of Dianne. She was a wonderful person but is finally at peace now & free of pain. My mother, Vernice Ellisor, worked for Tinsley's back in the mid 60's and she loved your family. I remember one day she came home with this hugh sheepdog and my dad said where in the world did you get that dog? My mom said his name was Walter and the Tinsley's gave him to her. We loved that sheepdog & was so sad when he passed away! The Tinsley family has been a true asset to our hometown and we are mourning for your loss. Please know that your family is in our thoughts & prayers...

Jamie Ellisor Brinegar & Vernice "Bernie" Ellisor

Jamie Ellisor Brinegar - May 15, 2012 at 09:50 AM

JJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this sad time.

Jeannine Jacoby - May 15, 2012 at 09:04 AM

NT

“ We join the celebration of Diane's life for she has brought such joy to ours. God's grace and peace be with you as you mourn your loss. May your hearts be filled with many fond memories.
With much love,

Norma Harter Thronburg - May 14, 2012 at 08:50 PM

TS

“ I am sorry to hear of Diane's passing. I realize that she suffered for many years. At a wedding in Dallas years ago, Diane walked over to speak to my mother who was Diane's 8th grade English teacher in Marlin. Just walking that short distance from Diane's table to my mother's table took a tremendous effort on Diane's part, and just demonstrated what a wonderful heart Diane had. My prayers for the entire family.

Tommy Sehon - May 14, 2012 at 07:16 PM

MB

“ We are sincerely sorry and deeply sadden to hear of the loss of your mother. She was a very strong willed lady and a wonderful person, friend, and mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

M. CHITWOOD & E. BAHNER - May 14, 2012 at 04:16 PM

NJ

“ Debra, Scott, Jeff and David: Dianne has had a long, long struggle. She is at peace now. Debra, Scott and Jeff, carry your Mom in your heart and she will be with you always. David, the Tinsley family will always be in my thoughts and prayers. I will never forget how very nice all of you were to me while I was the SHSU Alumni Director. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Norma Dell Jones of Lovelady

Norma Dell Jones - May 14, 2012 at 10:02 AM