



## Dr. Freda K. Yeager

February 23, 1928 - November 8, 2004

We announce with the greatest of sadness, our loss of Dr. Freda K. Yeager, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister of 10 siblings, author, Professor, philanthropist and friend. Freda Knoblett Yeager was born February 23, 1928, in Alice, Texas to Julia and Fred Knoblett. She graduated Salutatorian of Odon High School, Odon, Indiana. As an undergraduate, she received two Knobe Prize Awards for Creative Writing, graduating Magna Cum Laude from Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana in 1965. Huntsville, Texas became our home shortly thereafter, and she gained her M.A. in English in 1970 from Sam Houston State University. Freda joined SHSU as a Temporary Instructor in 1971, in the English Program, while attending Texas A&M University. In 1973-74, she became a tenure-track graduate faculty member at Sam Houston State University. Freda graduated as Doctor of Philosophy from Texas A&M University on May 6, 1977. Dr. Freda K. Yeager received tenure in 1977 with Sam Houston State until retiring as Professor on May 31, 1992. Freda is honored as Biographee in World Who's Who of Women in Education, International Who's Who of Intellectuals, Personalities of America and Two Thousand Notable Americans and will long be remembered. She was the Nonfiction Editor and Business Manager of Texas Review. There is too much to list. I now must call her mother. Mother is survived by her only child, Debra Yeager Brooks and husband, Scott B. Brooks, of Huntsville, Texas. Her grandchildren are Melanie Alayne Pavelka of Huntsville, Michael Ashford Manning of Huntsville, Daniel Scott Brooks and wife, Diana Brooks of College

Station. Cecile Alayne Pavelka, Tehya Shey Pavelka, Wyatt Hunter Pavelka, Brandon Manning and Audrey Elizabeth Brooks all dubbed her GG, with love. Mrs. June Love of Wichita Falls, Texas and Mrs. Cordelia Franklin of Hillsdale, Indiana, are her only surviving siblings. Mother, the words you were so meticulous with are not within my reach. I cannot begin to verbalize what you have been and what you have meant to us all. The impact you have made on so many lives has been positive and permanent. We thank you, we admire you, we honor you, and most of all, we will miss you, today, tomorrow and always. Until we meet again, we love you. Services: Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home Monday, Nov. 8, 2004, 6 p.m. (936) 291-7300. Please come share in our celebration and sorrow.

# Tribute Wall



“ Dr. Freda K. Yeager

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“ Debbie,

*I know you have lost a very, very special person. We will all miss her kindness.*

*While she was my neighbor I could have not asked for anyone better. She was always so quite, considerate and friendly.*

*I know she was so intelligent and touched so many lives. It was a pleasure for me to not only no of her here at the University, but to actually get to know her some on a personal basis.*

*She has gone through a lot in the last few years. You will know she is now with the love ones she had lost in the recent years and missed being close to them in the latter years. I know a copy of her brothers she seemed to talk about often and it was very sad when they passed away. They are probably celebrating their reunion and they are all out of pain. It is the ones who remain here on earth who are in the pain.*

*Debbie, God bless you and give you the strength you will need to survive this loss. I am so glad you have your children by your side.*

*Again, you had a GREAT person as a Mother. My prayers and thoughts have been with you since I read of her passing.*

**Beverly Niederhofer** - November 08, 2004 at 01:18 PM



“ *Dr. Freda K. Yeager*

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