



## Geraldine Amelia Butler

July 28, 1936 - January 8, 2019

Geraldine (Jeri) Butler wife of Bill Butler (deceased) and mother of 9 children passed away January 8, 2019. Jeri Butler was a resident of Elkins Lake since 1996. Prior to living in Huntsville, the Butler family lived in Houston. Jeri is survived by her sister Vicki Clements, 8 children, 12 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Jeri's children include: Daughter Kathy and her husband Mike Zabkiewicz and their two children Mary and Tony. Daughter Judi and her husband David Dollar and their child Sam. Daughter Rebecca Butler and her three children: Kathleen and husband Bryan Pierce and their child Jace; Connor; Patrick and his wife Meghan. Daughter Penelope and her husband Brad Wigton and their daughter Alexandra. Daughter Amie and her husband Ryan Berg and their daughter Candace and her husband David Colschen and their three children: Austin, Hunter, and Amelia. Son Bill Jr.: deceased. Daughter Jennifer and her husband Richard Harrison and their two children Sydney and Jonah. Son Steve and wife Sabrina. Daughter Priscilla and her husband Mike Vinson and their two children Travis and Cody.

Jeri Butler was a lifelong lover of the theatre especially musicals and opera. She was an avid traveler both in the U.S. and abroad. Some of her trips included a Caribbean sailing ship, Germany, France, Austria, Ireland and Italy. She was profoundly moved by her experiences in Egypt and Africa, as well as trips across the U.S. including Alaska and Hawaii. Her most recent adventure was a trip to New York City. In addition to raising a family she added the title of educator to her life resume. She inspired all her children to be avid readers

and was a member of a book club in Elkins Lake. She also enjoyed playing bridge and was a member of the local Bridge Club.

She was a vibrant person her entire life and will be remembered that way by those who knew and loved her. In lieu of flowers her wishes were to support Heifer International which is a charity organization working to end hunger and poverty around the world by providing livestock and training to struggling communities. <https://www.heifer.org>

Services will be Friday January 11, 2019 at her church in Huntsville: Saint Thomas the Apostle, 1603 Avenue N. (936) 295-8159 followed by the burial at Brooke Cemetery: 672 FM 980. There will be a reception at St. Thomas following the burial to gather together to support each other and share fond memories of an outstanding wife, mother, sister, and friend.

# Cemetery Details

## Brooke Cemetery

672 FM 980  
Huntsville, TX 77320

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Thomas Catholic Church  
1603 Ave. N  
Huntsville, TX 77340

# Tribute Wall



“ *Geraldine Amelia Butler*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *My Aunt Jeri was a woman who would create order in rooms of my childhood that only moments before her entry were characterized by disarray and hijinks among cousins. She was substantial, sweet, fresh and crisp, like a Waldorf Salad. Odd comparison? Probably. However, let me explain.... I remember Aunt Jeri as each of those adjectives and I don't recall a childhood Easter without a Waldorf Salad or without her. I'm pretty sure she orchestrated the presence of that salad, along with a good bit of the beloved holiday festivities each spring. Sending each of you who read this love, compassion and a hug from the west coast. Jeri Butler will be missed and she will be fondly remembered.*

*Julie Head*

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**Julie Head** - January 11, 2019 at 11:25 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I met Jeri through Bridge at Elkins. Her absolute joy when talking about how much she adored her children was profound. She considered you all her best friends, and simply the best people she knew. Hearing about the fabulous NYC trip and the amazing birthday celebration at the lake made me want to be adopted into your family. She knew she was loved by each of you and she truly felt she had the most wonderful life. I would like to have given you each a hug in her honor, but did not hear of her passing till too late to come to the service. Once again, I am sorry.*

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**Nancy Leavell** - January 11, 2019 at 06:31 PM

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*Mom truly enjoyed her bridge groups. She tackled bridge like she tackled everything in her life. She was a life long learner and was always open and eager to learn new things. Thank you for your lovely note.*

*Becky Butler*

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**Becky Butler** - February 19, 2019 at 02:55 PM

JD

“ *Jimmy M. Joines, DMS lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Amelia Butler*



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**Jimmy M. Joines, DMS** - January 10, 2019 at 10:12 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geraldine Amelia Butler.*



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January 10, 2019 at 02:50 PM