



Helen Klawinski West

June 24, 1957 - November 16, 2012

Helen Klawinski West Helen Klawinski West, 55, of New Waverly, Texas, passed away on November 13, 2012, in Houston, Texas. She was born to Louis Victor Klawinski and Magdalen Hyman Klawinski, on June 24, 1957, in Houston, Texas. Helen moved to New Waverly with her family when she was five years old, and graduated from New Waverly High School. She is preceded in death by her husband, William Ray West, who passed away in 1997; parents; and brother, Louis Edward Klawinski. Those left to cherish her memory are her brother, Raymond Klawinski and wife Susan; sisters, Mary Wojcik and husband Lawrence, Christine Godwin and husband Craig and Lucille Youngblood and husband James; nieces and nephews, Bruce Klawinski, Michael Klawinski, Michele Chitwood, Sherry Wojcik, Kristie Munoz, Courtney Dyer, Stephanie Brock, Kirk Paulsel, and Kari Paulsel; and numerous other family members. Out of high school, Helen worked as a beautician and eventually went into food service, working at The Chef Restaurant and Casa Tomas, in Huntsville for many years. She then worked at the Old Station Market Place in New Waverly, and with her sister at New Waverly Antiques and Collectibles in New Waverly. Helen enjoyed working and meeting people. Her favorite hobbies were making crafts, baking and canning. She had a special place in her heart for less fortunate people and animals. She welcomed stray animals to her home and made sure they were fed. Much of her time was spent helping others in their struggles. She did not have children of her own, but loved to spend time with her nieces and

nephews. She found much joy in being around children. Helen was a true family person and valued that above all. She had a good heart, a great personality and was unforgettable to anyone who met her. Family will receive friends Friday, November 16, 2012, 10:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m., at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, in Huntsville, Texas. Graveside service will follow the visitation, Friday, 2:00 p.m., at Boswell Cemetery, Walker County, Texas. Serving as pallbearers are Kirk Paulsel, Bruce Klawinski, K.C. Chitwood, Toby Dyer, Justin Brock, and Joey Adams. The honorary pallbearers are Michael Klawinski, Lawrence Wojcik, James Youngblood, Johnnie Munoz, Craig Godwin, Derrick Adams and Holt Adams. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Adopt A Kid, New Waverly Elementary School, Attn: Kimberly Shoulders, 355 Front Street, New Waverly, Texas 77358. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Klawinski West*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *No words can ever express our deep sorrow over your loss of Helen. She was one of those rare individuals who could brighten your day with her smile, laughter and unique sense of humor. We so enjoyed coming in to both of the New Waverly shops and shooting the breeze with her! Oh, how she loved her family and friends. She would light up when she talked about them. Helen was an extraordinary person and we feel privileged to have known her and to have had the opportunity to call her a friend. Helen will be sorely missed, but her spirit will live on in many people's hearts! Love, Cindy and Richard Traylor*

Cindy and Richard Traylor - November 17, 2012 at 06:55 PM



“ *I was sadden by the loss of my classmate,Helen. She will be missed. May God bless you and keep you all in his care.*

Linda Reed Thompson - November 16, 2012 at 11:47 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Helen's family during this difficult time.*

Martha Snodgrass Hutchinson - November 16, 2012 at 07:32 PM

SG

“ John 16:33 "I have told you these things so that in me you will have peace. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows, but cheer up, for I have overcome the world." Helen has overcome the world and is in the presence of her Savior. Praying for all of you to receive this peace that Jesus promises. I will always remember her sweet smile!

Sandy Brown Glisson - November 16, 2012 at 05:12 PM

AH

“ I am so sorry for your loss Courtney. You and your family are in my prayers. Let us know if you need anything.

Ashley hearne - November 16, 2012 at 12:36 PM

DC

“ Helen was such a sweet high school classmate and I will cherish the many memories we had together. My heart goes out to her family for their loss. You will be in my prayers, quiet moments and positive thoughts. Stay strong and remember the good times. Sweet Dreams Helen. We will miss you dearly. Friends Forever.
Debi

Deborah Cardwell - November 16, 2012 at 12:19 PM

BA

“ I recall that Helen always had a positive energy and super-sweet disposition. Her goodness always shone through. I have fondest memories of her as a classmate from third grade through graduation and beyond. I offer my sincere condolences to Helen's family.

Brian H Arnold - November 16, 2012 at 11:13 AM

GF

“ Our sincerest prayers for your family. May God be with you all. Know your in our prayers. If you should needs anything we are here for you.

Gary & Sheila Fulcher - November 16, 2012 at 09:31 AM

VD

“ After being a part of your family for many years, I want you to know that I share your heartbreak and sadness over the loss of Helen. I praise all of you for your devotion and support of her through the years, but especially for your bedside dedication to her care for these last weeks of her life. I know Grandma up in Heaven is proud of you for taking care of her "baby". I hope each of find peace in knowing that you did all that you could. Helen was a kind, caring person with a special place in her heart for children. I remember the last time I saw her in the grocery store and how she smiled as she gazed into Bethany's and Aubree's little faces as if she never wanted to forget them. Be strong and cherish the memories of Helen. God bless you, Vergie

Vergie Dotson - November 15, 2012 at 06:41 PM

JB

“ We are so sorry for Helen's passing but know that she is now in eternal peace. She was always our favorite waitress whenever we ate at the Chef Restaurant MANY years ago! She always had a smile and would take a few minutes to catch up on family & New Waverly news. I know she will be dearly missed now and forever. Please know that your family is in our thoughts & prayers. Much love...

Jamie & Don Brinegar

Jamie & Don Brinegar - November 15, 2012 at 01:49 PM

DP

“Helen will be missed by so many people. Your customers, Christine, are not the least of them. I am so glad I got to know Helen and visit with her when I was in the store. She was a testimony to the fine family that raised her. My prayers are with all her family.

Debbie Pool - November 15, 2012 at 01:40 PM

SB

“To the family of Helen...Vergie expressed so well what many of us are thinking...the love and care you shared with Helen. May you hold on to your Faith, knowing that Helen has a new, fully healthy body,resting with our Savior. You are in my prayers. sara bartee

sara bartee - November 15, 2012 at 10:12 AM

CM

“Please know your family is in our thoughts and prayers. May Helen rest in the arms of Jesus and may you cherish all the good memories. Our Love, Carolyn & Annie Mae

Carolyn McClure - November 15, 2012 at 08:30 AM

JR

“I am so sorry for your loss. Helen is a part of many fond memories from my school days. May God welcome her and hold her loved ones close until you meet again.

Joanne Krystyniak Reyes - November 13, 2012 at 06:34 PM