



## Joy Dell Roe

July 31, 1930 - July 9, 2015

Joy Dell Roe of Huntsville, Texas went to be with her Lord and Savior on July 9, 2015 after a brief illness. She was born on July 31, 1930 in Dew, Texas. She attended school in Buffalo and graduated from Huntsville High School in 1947, after her family relocated here. Joy worked for the local movie theater while attending high school and Sam Houston Teacher's College. She met her husband, of 49 years, Neal, while attending college. The couple then moved to Houston, where Neal worked for Mike Persia Chevrolet. While living in Houston, they were blessed with the birth of their two children, Deborah and Nathan. New job opportunities relocated the family back to Huntsville, where Joy Dell worked for the Texas Department of Corrections and Sam Houston State University.

Joy, also known as Nanny, was a very special person to all that knew her. She loved her family with all her heart. Joy enjoyed spending time with her grandkids, and great-grandkids. She always put everyone else's needs ahead of her own. Joy strived to portray a positive attitude in everything she did and lived her life to the fullest. Joy so much enjoyed gathering each month for lunch with her long-time girlfriends, shopping and traveling, but most of all...just loved being with her family. Joy made sure that the whole family went out to celebrate each family member's birthday. Joy had a special place in her heart for stray cats that were abandoned in her neighborhood and made sure that no cat went unfed. Joy was a member of Wesley Methodist Church, had many friends and will be truly missed by all who knew her. Joy was a trooper and a fighter and fought with everything she had until her last breath.

Joy Dell is preceded in death by her husband, Neal, parents Cecil and Ena Eeds and brother Kenneth Clary. She is survived by son & daughter-in-law, Nathan & Mary Roe; daughter & son-in-law, Deborah and Byron Back; grandchildren, Stephanie & husband Erick Moreno; Christopher & wife Bethany Back; LeeAnne Despain; Wesley & wife Morgan Roe.

Also surviving are her very precious great-grandchildren Blake, Sophia, Tanner, Corbin, Dayton, Weston and soon-to-be baby Allie Joy. Special thanks to Dr. Kahn for his patience and attention and Rachel and Nathan with STAT Home Health for their care and friendship. Joy always looked forward to their visits.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, July 12th, 2015 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM at Sam Houston

Memorial Funeral Home, Huntsville, Texas. Services will be held at Monday, July 13th at 2:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, Huntsville, Texas with burial to follow at Addicks Addition Oakwood Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
(936) 291-7300  
belinda@shmfh.com

## Service

JUL 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joy Dell Roe*



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**Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home** - July 13, 2015 at 08:34 AM



“ *Joy Dell Roe*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Deborah, Nathan, Bryon, Mary, and family, sending prayers and remembering your sweet Mother throughout the years. Kind and genuine, know she'll be missed by many.*

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**Gene, Susan, Jennifer, Jon Eastman** - July 13, 2015 at 11:08 PM



“ *Dear Nathan and Mary, our thoughts and love go out to you during this difficult time. May God place his comforting hands on your hearts.*  
*Danny and Pam*

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**Danny and Pam** - July 13, 2015 at 03:33 PM



“ *My prayers are with the entire family! So sorry to hear about "nanny"! May God give you all strength through this very difficult time.*

*Deven Merchant (friend of Stephanie Moreno)*

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**Deven Merchant** - July 13, 2015 at 01:28 PM

RF

“ Raymond & Bobbie Birchfield, Steve & Kay Laube and family purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Joy Dell Roe.



Raymond & Bobbie Birchfield, Steve & Kay Laube and family - July 13, 2015 at 12:31 PM



“ Mary, Nathan and family, I am so very sorry to hear about the loss of Mrs Roe. I did not know her personally but know she must have been a wonderful lady to have raised such a wonderful family. Please know that your family is in our thoughts & prayers!!  
Jamie Brinegar



Jamie Sue Brinegar - July 13, 2015 at 12:01 PM

GP

“ Gay Perry lit a candle in memory of Joy Dell Roe



Gay Perry - July 13, 2015 at 11:13 AM

GP

Deborah and Nathan I am so sorry for the loss of your dear Mother. There are no words to take away the heart in your hearts but only to know your Mother was a dear person and she is now resting with no pain. The only comfort I have for you is that the suffering is over for her and now you must go on with all the great memories she left you with. Take care and Deborah I will always be here for you if you need me. Love you and will be praying for you all.

Gay Perry - July 13, 2015 at 11:29 AM

DH

Deborah and Family, So sorry for your loss. I saw your mom at June Smith's funeral and she was still the same bubbly lady that I remembered! So proud of her family! May God bless you and help you through this time.

Dianna Faulkner Holbrook - July 14, 2015 at 08:35 AM

MT

“ Nathan, So sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. Phyllis and I are thinking of you and your family in this time of loss and our prayers are with you. May the memories of your mom forever live in your heart.

*Mike and Phyllis Traylor*

Mike and Phyllis Traylor - July 13, 2015 at 09:07 AM



“ My prayers are with the family during this difficult time

Jeannine Jacoby - July 13, 2015 at 06:39 AM

BM

“ Betty Jo, Terri, and Josie Moll purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Joy Dell Roe.



Betty Jo, Terri, and Josie Moll - July 11, 2015 at 06:02 PM

KW

“ Deborah, Byron and Family - I am so sorry for your loss. I never had the honor of meeting her in person, but I heard so much about your mom from you, Deborah. I just know she is so special to you all. I know you will miss her every day , but just take comfort in the knowledge that she will always be with you in your heart and in your wonderful memories.

*Kathy & Howard White*

Kathy White - July 11, 2015 at 05:22 PM

HC

“ Deborah, Byron, Stephanie and Chris,  
I am so sorry for your loss. May God give you peace and strength during this difficult time. My prayers are with you and your family! She was such a sweet and kind person.

Heather Wiley Christian - July 11, 2015 at 05:15 PM

LF

“ Linda Malone Estrada and Family purchased the Pink Tribute S  
pray for the family of Joy Dell Roe.



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**Linda Malone Estrada and Family** - July 11, 2015 at 05:12 PM

BM

“ Deborah and Nathan,

*I'm so sorry to hear of Joy's passing. I've wanted to come to Huntsville and have lunch with her for a long time, but I don't drive much anymore, especially on IH 45. She was always a such a sweet person. As a child, I liked to go to visit Uncle Cecil and Aunt Ena and Joy was usually there. She was like a big sister to me and I was always in awe of her. She was so beautiful and such a sweet person. I have some very fond memories of her.*

*I hope to see you both at the viewing tomorrow. I won't be able to come to the funeral on Monday.*

*Betty Jo (Kight) Moll*

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**Betty Jo (Kight) Moll** - July 11, 2015 at 04:52 PM

MW

“ Debra:

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to you, Byron, Stephanie, Chris and your family. Your mom was always so much fun to be around. I saw her at the store not too long ago. I asked her if she was your mom. She said yes. She asked me if I was Mellicent. I said yes. She said I thought you were but not sure since she hadn't seen me in such a long time. I told her the same. We had a good laugh, hug and visit. We caught up on your family and mine. I am so thankful for that wonderful visit with her. She was a precious mom, wonderful grandmother and sweet great grandmother.*



*We are so thankful for all the fun times our family has had with yours. From trips to Schlitterbahn, San Antonio, to BBQ's, hay rides, and the girls' sleepovers. We all love your mom and your family.*

*Love always,  
Mellicent Sikes Wiley  
Bobby II  
Heather & Jason & twins (Taylor & Tyler)  
Heath  
Justin & Joanna & girls (Tess & Tori)*

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**Mellicent Sikes Wiley** - July 11, 2015 at 01:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joy Dell Roe.*



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July 11, 2015 at 12:53 PM

DP

“ *Donna Paschall lit a candle in memory of Joy Dell Roe*



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**Donna Paschall** - July 11, 2015 at 12:46 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joy Dell Roe.



July 11, 2015 at 11:13 AM

KS

“ Miss Joy's spirit will always be in my heart as I remember so many great shared times we were able to spend together with our other Angels doing fun UMW projects. Thanks Deborah for sharing her with us. Love you!

Kathy Smith - July 10, 2015 at 04:22 PM

DW

My deepest sympathy to the family. Joy was one of the nicest people I have ever known. I know she will be missed, but my your memories confort you during this time.

Dorothy Wooten

Dorothy Wooten - July 11, 2015 at 09:27 AM

DP

May God wrap HIS loving arms around you during this sad time. May HE give you rest and peace. Our families are praying for you. Thank you for sharing Nanny with us for decades. We loved her so much. She was always so thoughtful to visit mother, daddy, and Steve. We love you and will miss Nanny so much. Love, Carol and Richard Byrd, Jan and Tom Rogers, Donna and Walter Paschall...Dick, Maudie and Steve are glad to be reunited with our sweet Nanny in heaven!

Donna Paschall - July 12, 2015 at 08:36 AM

LE

Debra and Nathan,  
I will miss your mother very much as I have known her as part of my family for my entire life. What a wonderful person she was!  
I am so sorry for your pain in losing her. We all dearly loved her!  
Linda Malone Estrada

Linda Malone Estrada - July 12, 2015 at 10:44 PM

TH

Such a beautiful and kind woman she was. I truly enjoyed working with her at Sam and learned many positive life lessons in my time with her. She will be surely missed by all who knew her. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers during this emotional time.

Terri Harvey - July 13, 2015 at 10:09 AM

SB

*There are no words that can begin to express the sorrow I felt upon hearing of her passing. She was a wonderful person, Mom's best friend, there through the bad and good times. I know she is in a better place and know that her and Mom are probably laughing out loud over a shared joke. My prayers and thoughts are with you now and in the days to come. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her. Peace, prayers and blessings.*

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**Sandy, Mark and Seth Bracken** - July 13, 2015 at 11:27 AM