



Loretta Jean Wood

February 18, 1933 - January 21, 2023

Loretta Jean Wood was born in Houston, Texas on February 18, 1933 and passed from this earth into the open arms of our Savior Jesus Christ on January 21, 2023 in Huntsville, Texas.

That Saturday morning her loving husband told her to relax, you have a long journey ahead. Kissed her forehead and left the room. Turned around and she was gone. She loved the hymn "This World is not My Home, I'm Just Passing Through".

Loretta met the love of her life in high school and married John Allen Wood February 23, 1952 shortly after graduating. They welcomed their first daughter Pamela Jean on September 20, 1953. Second daughter Candace Anne was born on October 11, 1956. In 1960 they welcomed their third daughter, Dawn Alisa on October 20th.

Loretta loved interior design and was an avid gardener. Throughout their life they designed, built and decorated 15 homes, located from Houston, Spring, San Francisco, Philadelphia and Los Angeles before returning to Texas. They started in Willis, then to Magnolia until their final home in Huntsville.

Loretta worked in Houston for Tenneco Oil Company in administration and at Houston National Bank. She was very involved in her Garden Club. Active members of White Oak Baptist Church, then on to different churches wherever they called home. She enjoyed teaching English to Internationals weekly and sign language. She was an accomplished chef and brought much joy at her lavish dinner parties. John and Loretta loved traveling the world or just down

the road with their RV clubs. They enjoyed life to the fullest and made friends all along the way.

She leaves behind her devoted husband John, of almost 71 years. Daughter Pam and husband Curt Hawkins of Huntsville, Candy and husband Douglas Holberg of Wimberley and Dawn and husband Jaye Brodie of Willis.

Grandchildren Paul Hawkins and wife Kimberly of Magnolia, Samuel Holberg and wife Hailey of College Station, Tara and husband Jacob Zook of Willis and Jaye Brodie, Jr. also of Willis. Great Grandchildren Korrina and Tristan Hawkins, Tayden and Brodie Zook, Brooklyn Brodie and Lilah Holberg.

We also wish to thank the caring and loving staff of Carriage Inn. Words cannot express the compassionate care provided by Tameka Edison who became Mother's devoted personal caregiver. They spent hours singing hymns, talking about Jesus and just plain old life. The family owes Tameka more than we can say...THANK YOU!

A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 28th at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Visitation starting at 10:00am, with a memorial service at 11:00am. Condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com.

Following the service, a luncheon will be provided at Wade and Terry Gillaspie's airplane hangar, 58 Edgewood, Huntsville, TX 77320 (1st street on the left after Canyon Ranch entrance).

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr
Huntsville

Memorial Service

JAN 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *M. Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Loretta Jean Wood*



M. Hyvl - January 30, 2023 at 09:22 AM

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“ *Mrs. Loretta was a force to be reckoned with! A great wife, mom and friend. She had a zest for life that was unshakable and a love for her family that is unending. It was an honor to have known her. Prayers for her family. Fondly, Dixie*

Dixie - January 27, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Loretta Jean Wood.*



January 26, 2023 at 07:29 PM