



Martha Nell Skains

January 5, 1935 - August 19, 2021

Martha Nell Langley Skains was born January 5, 1935, in Huntsville, Texas, and passed away August 19, 2021, in Conroe, Texas, at the age of 86. She is preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Ray Skains; daughter, Shannon Ann Skains Sims; father, Vernon Mickleberry Langley; mother, Clemis Ida Minter Langley; brothers Kenneth Langley, John Langley, Bill Langley, and Drew Langley; sisters Marie Behrens, Polly Shotwell, and Louise Robinson.

She is survived by her daughter, Wendy Lynn Skains-McLeod and husband David; brother Ed Langley; son-in-law Laney Sims and wife LaDonna; granddaughter Martha Lynn Sims Phillips and husband Ethan; grandsons Benjamin Delaney Sims and fiancé Joana Blair, and JD McLeod and wife Heather; great grandchildren Samuel Jonathan Phillips, Jackson Ray Phillips, Maverick Lee McLeod, and MacKenzie Sadie McLeod; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She spent most of her life in Huntsville, but finished high school in Cleveland, Texas.

She and Raymond married in the spring of 1955 and celebrated 51 years of marriage on April 30, 2006, before he passed away in 2007.

She spent her working years as a clerk at a local five-and-dime and Campus Cleaners, a secretary for Judge Wright, records clerk and secretary for the Huntsville Police Department and the City of Huntsville, and retired as a secretary from the Region 6 Education Service Center.

She spent her golden years living at the Trinity Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center in Trinity, Texas. She quickly settled in with a host of new friends. She joined the residents' council and became the unofficial welcome wagon for new residents.

Depending on when in her life you met her and who you were to her, she went by many names and nicknames - Martha Nell, Martha, Nell, Aunt Nell, Sweet Nell, Nellie Bellie, Mama Nell, Mama Skains, Miss Nell, Willie, Little Heifer, and Sassy Little Heifer. However, her favorite names to go by were Mother and Mimi.

She loved her family fiercely and was happiest surrounded by love and laughter. She touched many lives throughout her life. She was a wife, a band mom, confidant and mom-away-from-home to all her "baby cops", a friend, a mom, grandmother, and great grandmother. Her legacy will last for generations to come.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm and services will be Thursday, August 25 at 10:00am, both at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, TX. Interment will follow at Brooke Cemetery. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Brooke Cemetery

672 FM 980
Huntsville, TX 77320

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

AUG **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
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Huntsville

Tribute Wall



“ *Martha Nell Skains*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *What a warm and lovely lady! Our condolences on her passing. Prayers go out for the family.*

Mary Lynn & Barry Golden - August 25, 2021 at 05:48 PM



“ *Nancy Hopper lit a candle in memory of Martha Nell Skains*



Nancy Hopper - August 23, 2021 at 11:51 PM



“ *Sincere condolences to her friends and family members. She will be missed.*

Allan Rushing - August 23, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ *Susan Eastman lit a candle in memory of Martha Nell Skains*



Susan Eastman - August 23, 2021 at 10:17 PM

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“ Sue Sprott lit a candle in memory of Martha Nell Skains



Sue Sprott - August 23, 2021 at 08:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Martha Nell Skains.



August 23, 2021 at 05:57 PM

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“ I remember Nell when she work for the City of Huntsville and the police department. She also had a catching smile. Had many great conversations and memories. You just never forgot her. She gave a lot to her community and loved being around people. My prayers to the family and friends. Our Lord has a special crown for her. She will be missed but not forgotten.



Marvin Hyvl - August 23, 2021 at 05:12 PM

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“ Not only don't share any great memories with her and husbandRay, but we also shared a birthday! I was born on Jan 5th, 1934! Just a hyper before her! She was a treasure not only to her family but to all who knew her! Condolences to the family!! Love Grace Bohan

grace bohan - August 23, 2021 at 04:21 PM