



Melinda Cobb

March 14, 1962 - March 3, 2023

MELINDA SUE (CHRISTIANSEN) COBB was born on March 14, 1962 in Giddings, Texas; The second youngest of five children to Harry Christiansen and Minnie (Bohot) Christiansen. She was baptized on April 1, 1962 and was confirmed March 23, 1975 at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Giddings, Texas. She graduated from Giddings High School in 1980 as the class valedictorian, where she was a Buffalo Gal. She then went on to study Criminal Justice at Sam Houston State University. Subsequently, she had a successful and long career as a Purchasing and Procurement Assistant at Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), where she retired. She then continued to support the Criminal Justice system by working for Windham School District. Melinda always had a smile on her face and a can do personality. She was very committed to her love of fitness and of traveling the world. She received an achievement for 500 days of workouts at the CURVE fitness club in Huntsville, TX. Melinda was a loving mother and Me-Me (grandmother), she loved her family and would always drop whatever she was doing to help a family-member or a friend who was in need. She was always very proud of her children and all of their accomplishments no matter how small or big the achievement was.

Melinda was a long-standing member of the Faith Lutheran Church and she passed her faith along through her acts of kindness and her extremely generous compassion. She established many relationships based on faith,

love, and friendship. She is now transferring her membership from the church on earth to one who is triumph and has mercy.

Melinda passed away in her home in Huntsville, Texas on March 3, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents and her eldest brother, Harry Ben Christiansen.

Melinda is survived by her four children, Son Darren and wife Amanda Cobb of Huntsville, son Travis and wife Robbie Smith-Cobb of Huntsville, son Marcus and wife Kaci Cobb of Stanardsville, VA, and daughter Valerie of Huntsville; her eight grandchildren Payton, Texana, Michael, Jameson, Moxie, Janet, Evalyn, Blake. Melinda is also survived by her three siblings: brothers Curtis and wife Janet Christiansen, Douglas and wife Jan Christiansen, and sister Ernestine (“Tina”) and husband William Kappler. As well as nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Graveside services at the Giddings City Cemetery for Melinda, officiated by Pastor Colton Christiansen are scheduled for Tuesday March 14, 2023 at 11:00.

Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (cst)

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

Graveside

MAR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Giddings City Cemetery
900 W. Austin St
Giddings, TX 78942

Tribute Wall

PT

“ *Heavenly Father, I come before you today humbly seeking your healing touch on my spirit. Wash away the negativity, pain, and burdens that weigh me down. Fill me with your light and love, mend the broken places within me, and restore my connection to you. Guide me towards wholeness and renewal, and grant me the strength to move forward with a renewed spirit. In Jesus' name, Amen.*

Payton thompson - December 17, 2024 at 03:16 PM

KL

“ *Always a very sweet and kind lady. Give Dad a hug for me, Melinda. You will be missed beyond measure.*

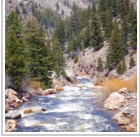
Karen Wuensche Lacy - March 14, 2023 at 11:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 13, 2023 at 11:51 PM



“ *Melinda was a part of my growing up. We didn't hang out as adults but loved seeing all her Facebook posts and brilliant smile. She had a ton of proud accomplishments to show and I'm pretty sure she triggered alot of people to get in shape. It was encouraging to watch her meet her goals. As kids I just remember her always laughing and kidding around. I'm sorry for all her family who's hurting right now. Rest peacefully Melinda.*

Carol Symmank Kennedy - March 13, 2023 at 10:40 PM

CR

“ *We worked side by side professionally as well as on our off time. So many of our staff will love, miss, and forever be praying for Melinda and her family. We'll see you again ❤️*



Cissy Lucas Rucker - March 13, 2023 at 04:31 PM

AT

“ *You were such a special lady. Always smiling and kind to everyone. Truly a star too bright to be among the darkness. Your caring demeanor was truly appreciated. Rest in paradise, dear friend, your spirit will live on!*



Angela Taylor - March 12, 2023 at 11:10 PM

CR



Cissy Lucas Rucker - March 13, 2023 at 04:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 12, 2023 at 10:26 PM



“ *Gayle Kelly lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Gayle Kelly - March 12, 2023 at 10:01 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 11, 2023 at 08:22 PM



“ *Sharee Straughter lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Sharee Straughter - March 10, 2023 at 02:56 PM

SS

“*Melinda, Melinda, Melinda...you were my ray of sunshine at WSD. You helped me get settled in my position, and if something came up that I had a question on you would be right there to assist me. I do not have anyone to look for now when the printer comes on. You were always getting your steps in. You were such a caring person and would help anyone. Genuinely kind individual, something hard to find these days. I miss you! REST*

Sharee Straughter - March 10, 2023 at 02:56 PM

JC

“*I am deeply saddened about the loss of Melinda. She was a truly remarkable person, with qualities that made her stand out as a friend and a co-worker. Melinda was intelligent, knowledgeable, and an upbeat person who had a great sense of humor. Her ability to connect with others and make them feel valued was undoubtedly a gift, and her expertise in her field made her invaluable to everyone here at Windham. Melinda's memory will live on through all that knew and loved her.*

Please know that my thoughts and deepest sympathies are with your family during this difficult time. Melinda will be deeply missed, but her legacy of kindness, knowledge, and humor will continue to inspire all those whose lives she touched.

Jodi Christie - March 10, 2023 at 11:30 AM

KC

“*Melinda had a beautiful spirit. The world is dark without her.*



Kimberly Calhoun - March 10, 2023 at 11:11 AM

AM

“ *Melinda was our sunshine in the office. Every single morning, she'd find me to talk, catch up, and remind me to have a good day. I felt so special. Since she's left, I've heard the same story countless times on every campus I've been to. I now realize that she was so special that she had enough special leftover to make everyone around her feel just as special. We love her and she will be deeply, deeply missed.*

Ashley McKelvey - March 10, 2023 at 11:09 AM

MW

“ *I am so sorry for your loss.*

Mellicent Wiley



Mellicent Wiley - March 10, 2023 at 09:49 AM

KH

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Melinda Cobb. She was a kind and sweet lady. She always had a kind word and a smile. She will be missed.*

Katrena Freeman Harrison

Katrena Freeman Harrison - March 09, 2023 at 12:16 PM



Munnie Jackson

*Dr. Taylor and I offer our sincerest condolences to the family. 🌸
It was such a pleasure meeting Mrs. Cobb. She was such a breath of fresh air with a kind spirit. Thanks for offering me your coffee mug during my WSD training.*

Munnie Jackson - March 09, 2023 at 03:50 PM

CN

“ I am so sorry for your tragic loss. Melinda was such a sweet, kind, thoughtful lady! I met her at Curves and she always had a smile on her face and an encouraging word for anyone who needed it. I am praying for all her family to have the strength and peace that only God can give.

Carol Nichols - March 09, 2023 at 12:00 PM

CN

“ Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - March 08, 2023 at 11:41 PM

LC

“ Linda Cook lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb



Linda Cook - March 08, 2023 at 11:24 PM

EM

“ Melinda was one of the kindest, most supportive people I worked with at WSD. I always enjoyed our conversations. I will truly miss her and our friendship. She was such neat lady. My prayers are with her family.

Erika Moore - March 08, 2023 at 09:35 PM

TL

“ I m sorry your loss...I do remember at I used worked TCCJ
From Tina Landrum-Voitle

Tina Landrum-Voitle - March 08, 2023 at 09:19 PM

MG

“ Martha Basquez Guinn lit a candle in memory
of Melinda Cobb



Martha Basquez Guinn - March 08, 2023 at 08:09 PM

DN

“ It was such a blessing to meet Melinda through Windham. She was
always so happy to help and never failed to light up the room. When
I was pregnant with my twins, every day when I walked past her
desk, she'd have me pose and show off my bump to her. I am so
thankful for that memory with her. Knowing Melinda was an
absolute blessing. Prayers for healing and peace for her family.

Danielle Nicholes - March 08, 2023 at 07:31 PM

DL

“ Melinda was one of the sweetest souls I've ever known. She was
kind, and thoughtful, and loyal. She is already so missed.

Dr. Amy Lopez - March 08, 2023 at 07:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 08, 2023 at 07:27 PM



“ *Clegg Dewalt purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



Clegg Dewalt - March 08, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ *Prayers for the family. I worked with Melinda at BOT warehouse . Back years ago . She was a sweet and Kind lady and enjoyed working with her.*

jeanette starns collard - March 08, 2023 at 04:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 08, 2023 at 02:25 PM

RG

“ *Robin Gibbs*



Robin Gibbs - March 08, 2023 at 01:52 PM

DM

“ *Dawn Tatsch Moore lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Dawn Tatsch Moore - March 08, 2023 at 01:17 PM

GP

“ *So sorry for your loss. So tragic to loose your Mom 🙏🙏. Prayers will be with you in n days to come 🙏🙏😭😭*



Gay Perry - March 08, 2023 at 01:01 PM

LN

“ *I would like to extend my most sincere and deepest condolences and prayers to Melinda's family, friends and work family. I was blessed and honored to work with Melinda for the past 5 years at WSD. Melinda was always a ray of sunshine and very helpful. She brought me many years of joy! She will be truly missed, but never forgotten.*



Lana Norton - March 08, 2023 at 12:08 PM

JB

“ So very sad about Melinda's passing. I worked with Melinda at TDCJ and she was always my "Go To" person for accounting questions. She didn't care if it was 3 minutes or 30 minutes, she was just kind & patient to all. I know she will be missed. Thank you, Melinda for just always being you! 🙏🏻🙏🏻
Jamie Brinegar

Jamie Brinegar - March 08, 2023 at 11:16 AM

RS

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Rebecca Sherrill - March 08, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.



March 08, 2023 at 10:49 AM

JR

“ Janie Ramirez lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb



Janie Ramirez - March 08, 2023 at 10:36 AM

MN

“Melinda was one of the ones who trained me in my position at WSD, she was very professional and full of knowledge! As I got to know her more, I saw how sweet, funny, passionate and dedicated she was to her tasks and the people she held near her heart. I called her my "hallway buddy" since we always seemed to walk the halls at work at the same time (although it was mostly because she was getting her steps in). We miss you so much, WSD will never be the same.

Madison Norris - March 08, 2023 at 10:35 AM

VC

“Melinda was wonderful to work with. She had big shoes to fill when she came to the WSD but did so effortlessly with grace and kindness.

Veronica Casanova - March 08, 2023 at 09:34 AM

JW

“Melinda was such an inspiration to my weight loss journey. She encouraged me with discretion, full of support and kind words. I will miss her greatly. I pray her family feels God's presence during this difficult time.

Jacqui Wiederhold - March 08, 2023 at 09:33 AM

DD

“ *May the peace of God comfort her family during this time of sorrow and life transition. I will genuinely miss our early morning chats when I arrived to work before everyone else made it in. Melinda was always helpful and a delight to work with since I came to WSD.*

Dr. Dominique



Dr. Dominique - March 08, 2023 at 09:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 08, 2023 at 08:08 AM

SG

“ *Shirley Garcia sent a virtual gift in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Shirley Garcia - March 08, 2023 at 07:19 AM

KG

“ *Melinda was a sweet friend, who had a ready smile for everyone she met, and she will be heartily missed. Praying for God's comfort for her family.* ”



Karen Gouge - March 07, 2023 at 10:01 PM

BW

“ *Melinda was blessed with a kind, gentle heart and the gift of connecting with others in all stages of her life. I am one of her Godmothers and she is the Godmother of my younger daughter. She spread joy and love throughout her life and will be missed. We pray for peace and comfort for her children and extended Christiansen family.* ”

Barbara Wilson - March 07, 2023 at 08:32 PM

DW

“ *Dwane And Jalane Wiederhold lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb* ”



Dwane and Jalane Wiederhold - March 07, 2023 at 08:23 PM

SD

“ *Stephanie Davidson lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb* ”



Stephanie Davidson - March 07, 2023 at 06:27 PM

CP

“ *Melinda was a nice person and very sweet. Rest In Peace. My prayers go out to the family during this difficult time.* ”



Cece Precella - March 07, 2023 at 06:05 PM

SJ

“ *Melinda was such a beautiful person. She would help you any way she could and always did it with a smile on her face. It's a blessing to have known her.* ”

Stephanie Jenkins - March 07, 2023 at 05:26 PM

CS

“ *Melinda was so sweet and kind. Years ago we were at a wedding and she admired the shawl I was wearing. Several years after the wedding she mentioned it again. It was around Christmas time, so I went home wrapped up and sent it to her. I hope she enjoyed wearing it.* ”

*Prayers for her family,
Cathy Sams*

Cathy Sams - March 07, 2023 at 05:23 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.* ”



March 07, 2023 at 05:16 PM

LV

“ I worked with Melinda at TDCJ and developed a friendship both at work as well as outside work. She was such a kind person and fun to be around. Always was helpful and kind. Til we meet again.

Linda Vest - March 07, 2023 at 04:39 PM

CR

Amen Linda 👍❤️

Cissy Lucas Rucker - March 13, 2023 at 04:22 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.



March 07, 2023 at 04:33 PM

JJ

“ Melinda blessed many of us throughout the years - Thanks for the Many years of memories - from our college years to our TDCJ years



Jonna Atkins Jeter - March 07, 2023 at 04:19 PM

EP

“ Ernest Pyle lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb



Ernest Pyle - March 07, 2023 at 04:15 PM

BS

“ *Melinda was always ready to help you with a smile on her face. I always enjoyed the visits we had when I worked in Huntsville. Rest in peace, my friend.* ”

Brenda Seward - March 07, 2023 at 03:45 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.* ”



March 07, 2023 at 03:43 PM

SB

“ *Melinda always had a smile and always willing to help in every way possible. I had the pleasure of working with her for 4 years at WSD. She was a ray of sunshine everytime I saw her. Melinda will be truly missed. Prayers to her family and friends.* ”

Stacy Buckner

Stacy Buckner - March 07, 2023 at 03:34 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.* ”



March 07, 2023 at 03:20 PM

DL

“ Donna Lumar lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb



Donna Lumar - March 07, 2023 at 02:58 PM

TW

“ Melinda was so kind and always very helpful. She had such a sweet spirit and bubbly attitude. I've worked at Windham for almost 4 years now and she was always the same. I will miss her dearly. My prayers go out to her family.

Tracy Waddle - March 07, 2023 at 02:29 PM

DD

“ Melinda was beautiful inside and out. I never heard her utter an unkind word. She will be missed greatly. Prayers for her family during this difficult time.

Dee Dee Dretke - March 07, 2023 at 02:22 PM

BL

“ I met Melinda 8 years ago and we became instant friends. I looked forward to seeing her anytime I was in Huntsville. She was always there to help and did so with kindness. I never saw her without a smile on her face. She will be greatly missed. Rest in peace Melinda!



Bessie Lamb - March 07, 2023 at 02:19 PM

CR

“ I always looked forward to Melinda’s smile and kind words at work. Her love for her family was clear, as was her dedication to a job well done. Prayers for the family in this time.

Cheryl Reader - March 07, 2023 at 02:05 PM

SM

“ My family attended Prince of Peace Lutheran Church with the Cobb Family. It was a joy celebrating Jesus with Melinda and her children. Melinda’s faith and love of her Lord we’re always evident in all she did. She loved her children and grandchildren beyond measure. As Melinda’s friend, I can say she was always there to lend a helping hand, a prayer, or encouragement. Her smile lit up a room and her presence brought joy to all who knew Melinda. Rest peacefully in the arms of Jesus sweet friend. Until we meet again I will love and miss you.

Symantha McCrerey - March 07, 2023 at 01:56 PM

DG

“ Such a sweet girl, always a smile, always a kindness about her. May Holy Father bless and cover her family with peace!

Debbie Van Dyke Gathright - March 07, 2023 at 01:53 PM

ME

“ I have been with WSD for 15 years and my recollection of Ms. Cobb is nothing short of total professionalism. I could send MOCTs and MCAAs to Ms. Cobb and rant and rave that I had reviewed the answer sheets, redone them, re-sent them and I still had errors and no matches and Ms. Cobb would take all of 15 minutes and identify the error, correct it and resend my tests back with the appropriate matches! I will miss Ms. Cobbs tremendously and I pray that she is at peace and that her family find comfort in knowing that she was loved and appreciated! Rest in peace my dear Ms. Cobb! You will be missed. Martha Estrada ESL/Changes 3 Teacher RZ

Martha Estrada - March 07, 2023 at 01:39 PM

RS

“ I have only work for the school district for 10 months, but meeting Melinda and working with her was enjoyable. She was so kind to me and never complained when I would ask questions. Melinda will be greatly missed. My prayers are for her entire family. Comfort and Peace in a time of sadness and it's in Jesus' name!

Rosie Spivey - March 07, 2023 at 01:11 PM

BK

“ Melinda offered kindness, encouragement and support to countless people over the years as a coworker and friend. Many will miss her greatly, and I'm grateful I was able to know her. She made a positive difference in so many lives! We will keep her family and friends in prayers for comfort and strength.



Bambi Kiser - March 07, 2023 at 01:04 PM

RR

“ *Melinda Cobb was a friend to all of us teachers at Windham School District, Whenever needed, Mrs. Cobb was only a phone call or email away. She will be missed, and we all remain grateful for her dedication to WSD and for her helpfulness to all of us,*

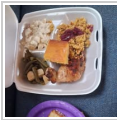
*Ralph Rivera
Academic Teacher
Torres Campus
Hondo, Texas*

Ralph Rivera - March 07, 2023 at 12:50 PM



Praying 🙏 for family

Jeannie Duron - March 07, 2023 at 01:01 PM



PRAYING 🙏 FOR COBB FAMILY

Jeannie Duron - March 07, 2023 at 01:02 PM


Charlotte
Efird

“ *Charlotte Efird lit a candle in memory of
Melinda Cobb*



Charlotte Efird - March 07, 2023 at 12:45 PM

SG

“ *Sheila Gaskins lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Sheila Gaskins - March 07, 2023 at 12:33 PM

TK

“ *Teresa Koonsman lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Teresa Koonsman - March 07, 2023 at 12:10 PM

CB

“ *I worked with Melinda at Windham for 10 years. She was a real help to me when I was learning my current job and very supportive. She was always willing to assist and always with a sweet smile. Our district has lost a very special employee and friend.*

Cindy Bailey - March 07, 2023 at 11:42 AM

JR

“ *Jon Rogers lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Jon Rogers - March 07, 2023 at 11:38 AM

MH

“ *M. Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



M. Hyvl - March 07, 2023 at 11:37 AM

FS

“ *Farrah Trevino Stein lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Farrah Trevino Stein - March 07, 2023 at 11:36 AM

MM

“ *She was a sweet person who always lent a helping hand & will be missed by many. Many prayers & condolences going to all her family & friends.*



Ms. Mata - March 07, 2023 at 11:36 AM

DR

“ *Debbie Rogers lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Debbie Rogers - March 07, 2023 at 11:20 AM

BL

“ *Brian Lawson lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Brian Lawson - March 07, 2023 at 11:19 AM

CR

“ *She was a wonderful lady and special coworker. She will be missed by all of us.*



cindy rensaw - March 07, 2023 at 11:18 AM

JP

“ *Jeanese Pesina lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Jeanese Pesina - March 07, 2023 at 11:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Melinda Cobb.*



March 07, 2023 at 11:10 AM

LW

“ *Linda Weeks lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Linda Weeks - March 07, 2023 at 10:55 AM

KJ

“ *She was a very sweet lady and will be missed. Sending prayers and hugs to her family.* 🙏🙏🙏



Kimberly Johnson - March 07, 2023 at 10:53 AM

MA

“ *Marjolein lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



marjolein - March 07, 2023 at 10:39 AM

JC

“ *Jan Christiansen lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Jan Christiansen - March 07, 2023 at 10:34 AM

EC

“ *Earl And Sherry Carter lit a candle in memory of Melinda Cobb*



Earl and Sherry Carter - March 07, 2023 at 09:39 AM

SL

Melinda was family to me like all of the Christiansen family was to me. She was such a special person to everyone . I will miss her so much.God's speed Melinda,I love you.

Stephanie Willard Lyon - March 08, 2023 at 10:59 PM

RF

Melinda was a very helpful and caring person. I could not go to the Windham office in Huntsville without stopping to talk to her. She was always happy to see you and would always take the time to talk. She made everyone's day better. She will be part of us all forever.
Randy Fields

Randy Fields - March 09, 2023 at 03:25 PM