



Ruby Jane Barnes

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Ruby Jane Barnes of Montgomery, Texas (Dacus area), passed away Oct. 24, 2013 in Conroe after a long illness. The daughter of Bennie Gerald Scheffer and Ruby Jane Scheffer -- both deceased -- Jane was born in Pecos, Texas on Aug. 1, 1941, but lived almost all her life in the Greater Houston area. She grew up in the Houston Heights, where she attended Love Elementary, Hamilton Junior High and Reagan High Schools. Jane was mostly self-employed during her working life, and the various businesses she owned brought her into contact with many people. She became a licensed beautician in the early '70s, and owned her own beauty shops in Houston and Livingston. Also in Livingston, she and her late ex-husband, Leon Barnes, owned and ran a barbecue restaurant near the municipal airport. She moved to Montgomery in the early '90s, where she helped care for several elderly relatives in the latter stages of their lives. Jane returned to a working life, and was most widely known in Montgomery for running an embroidery service, Stitched By Nanny Pooh, and later a clothes-and-gifts store, Aunt Mabel's (named after her aunt, although many customers applied the name to Jane, which was fine with her). Jane is survived by one son, Jamie Barnes; three grandsons, Ian Andrew Barnes, Aaron Leon Barnes, and Aidan Cotta, all of Montgomery; brother and sister-in-law Wendell and Donna Klein and of Shiner, Texas; and daughter-in-law Lynnette Barnes of Montgomery. Jane was a member of the Southern Baptist Church. A series of debilitating illnesses since 2008 limited her church, social and professional life, but she was still a central part of her

family, and her primary visitors and social contacts in recent years were young people -- her grandsons and their friends -- all of whom fondly knew her by the name, title and legacy she most appreciated: Nanny. A visitation will be held on Friday, November 1, 2013 in the Chapel of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Montgomery, Texas from 5-7 p.m. You are invited to leave memorial condolences at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruby Jane Barnes*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Nanny I find it so very hard to accept that you are gone. What happen to us never getting old? (still makes me laugh that I told you that) You're going to be so greatly missed. Thank you for being the best grandmother ever to my boys. I always knew that when they came back from a visit with you they would have smiles on their faces and a story to tell. Thank you for bragging on them, spoiling them, sharing wisdom with them and most of all for telling them the truth no matter how ugly it was.*

As for me, thank you for showing me how to cook pancakes (wink)and mustard greens, sew a hem in pants and shirts, use a color pallet on canvas (loved that creative side of you), and the best Road Trips ever.

You were such a big part of my growing into the adult I am today. I only had 26 years with you but if and when I become a grandma and mother-in-law I hope the boys say "you're acting like Nanny". May you rest in the most precious peace.

Lynnette Barnes - November 01, 2013 at 12:20 PM

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“ Thank goodness for sweet memories! Seems like I was a young teen when Aunt Jane married Uncle Leon and although our family wasn't able to spend a lot of time in Florida, those times were made all the more memorable by her presence. She loved the nieces and nephews and we loved her right back. No pretense, no judgments, just acceptance. Looking forward to the day when we can swap grandma stories! Rest well, Aunt Jane, there's a big ole reunion coming!

Pam Barnes Ellis - October 30, 2013 at 01:36 PM

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“ Aunt Jane was one of the jewels of our family. Where she was found there was always laughter and if one of the uncle's was stepping out of line, she was quite capable of letting them know her mind; she was fearless. She knew who she was and yet there was a tenderness in dealing with children who were still learning. I loved her and look forward to the day that we can see one another again.

Michael Barnes - October 29, 2013 at 10:41 PM