



## Sandra Coulter

April 24, 1938 - December 28, 2020

A funeral service will be held for Sandra and Kenneth Coulter, on Sunday, January 3, 2021 at 2 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis, with burial following at Smith Memorial Park.

Livestreaming will be available at service time; please return here and click on the link that will be provided at that time.

Sandra Joy McKay Coulter , 82 passed away on December 28, 2020. She was born April 23, 1938, in Crockett, Texas to Clyde and Eunice McKay of Tyler, TX. Sandy attended Tyler High School in Tyler, TX where she played the piano and violin in the school orchestra, sang in the choir and graduated in 1956. She was also an active member of First Presbyterian Church in Tyler. Sandy attended Sam Houston State University and volunteered as a Candy Striper at the local hospital. She was employed with Exxon Oil company and moved to Houston in 1968. She retired in April of 1993 and they built their dream home and moved to Willis, TX where they lived for about 25 years. Sandy enjoyed genealogy, traveling, sewing, painting, reading, and volunteering at the Assistance League in Conroe, TX. Sandy's passion was her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Sandra lived a full and happy life.

Ken Coulter, 90, passed away on December 29, 2020. Ken was born

September 27, 1930, in Owatonna, Minnesota to Orpha and Guy Coulter. He grew up on the family farm until he moved into a boarding house in town so that he could finish high school. To support himself during the school year he set pins at one of the local bowling alleys. After graduating from high school Ken joined the Air Force Strategic Air Command and served during the Korean War, leaving the Air Force as a Master Technical Sergeant as a jet engine mechanic. After leaving the Air Force Ken worked for Josten's in Owatonna learning the jewelry manufacturing trade. He moved with his family from Owatonna to Houston for better job and educational opportunities for his 5 children. Ken was in jewelry manufacturing for most of his entire career. He enjoyed coaching his sons in baseball and attending his daughters dance recitals. As a family, Ken took everyone camping and taught them how to fish. One of his greatest joys in life was to take his kids and grandkids and teach them how to fish. He had a great love of the outdoors and often supported the family he grew up with as a child by hunting on the family farm.

Sandra married Ken on January 12, 1973, and blended their families. They are survived by their children Kathy Davis and her husband Keith. Mikel Coulter and his wife Brenda, Scott Coulter, Deborah Schlafer and her husband Bill, daughter in law Gerry Coulter, sister Jean Ann McKay Taylor and a passel of grandchildren and great grandchildren. Sandy and Ken are preceded in death by their sons Steven Coulter and Keith Coulter.

When Ken and Sandy retired they moved to Lake Conroe to a home designed by their son Mikel and built by their two sons Scott and Keith Coulter. Sandy took great joy in planning her dream home and it was a place often visited by all the family from here and abroad.

One of the great joys Ken and Sandy had was to take each of the grand children on a weeks' vacation anywhere in the country they wanted to go. Sandy meticulously planned each trip of places they wanted to go and things they wanted to do. At the end of each trip Sandy prepared a memory book with photos and mementos of the things they had done and places they had visited. 4-year-old great-grandson Olly loves to sit with his dad Tristan on the

couch and go through his book and look at all the photos and talk about them. One of Tristan's goals in life is to repeat that trip with his wife Michelle and son Olly and soon to be daughter.

As a couple, Sandy and Ken could not have been better suited. They truly loved and cared for each and you couldn't separate one from the other. One of Sandy's greatest passions in life was to research genealogy of both Ken's family and her own. It is through her efforts that dad "found" a cousin he didn't know about in Germany. Sandy also traced the Coulter family back to Ireland on our paternal grandmother's side and Scotland on our paternal grandfathers. There is a Coulter village in Scotland outside of Lancashire that Ken and Sandy visited twice on their trips to England and Germany. They also loved to go to Branson, MS to see what real music was all about and enjoyed watching the shows.

Through their love of family, Sandy and Ken created a legacy for their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren to carry on. We will truly miss them and the joys that they brought to our families.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org).

You may view a live stream of the service by clicking on the following link - <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/9845641>

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JAN 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis  
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.  
Willis, TX 77318  
(936) 890-0454  
greg@shmfh.com

## Interment following service

JAN 3 (CT)

Smith Memorial Park Cemetery - Willis  
10129 FM 1097 Rd W  
Willis, TX 77318  
(936) 890-0454  
greg@shmfh.com  
<https://www.shmfh.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sandra Coulter*



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**Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home** - January 19, 2021 at 12:44 PM



“ *Sandra Coulter*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *We were so blessed to have known and traveled with Sandy and Ken in Germany. Our thoughts and prayers are with their family. Paul and Patti Kronk*

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**Paul Kronk** - February 17, 2021 at 09:38 AM



“ *Condolences to this family who has lost both loved ones at the same time. Giving you all virtual hugs for healing during this difficult time.*



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**Kathy Tucker** - January 03, 2021 at 01:14 AM