



Velma Coleman

August 23, 1934 - May 22, 2024

Velma Coleman went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at the age of 89. Born to Artice Goree Turner and Ruby Viola Turner on August 23, 1934, in Navasota, Texas, Velma lived a life filled with love and joy.

Velma graduated from New Waverly High School in 1953, where she was an active and beloved member of the student body. She was a spirited member of the pep squad, FHA, Choir, and served as a Majorette. Her peers honored her as The Football Sweetheart, a testament to her warm and friendly nature.

On July 4, 1955, Velma married the love of her life, Doyle Ray Coleman of Huntsville. Together, they built a beautiful life and family, raising two children, Douglas Ray and Diane Marie. Velma's love for life and her innate ability to connect with everyone she met meant she never met a stranger. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, and friend whose presence brightened the lives of those around her.

Velma found joy in the simple pleasures of life. She cherished playing cards and dominos with family and friends and had a green thumb for gardening. Her commitment to her community was evident through her dedicated volunteer work with the hospital auxiliary at Huntsville Memorial Hospital.

A faithful member of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church in Huntsville, Texas, Velma's church family was very important to her.

Velma was preceded in death by her parents, Art and Ruby Turner; her beloved husband, Doyle Ray Coleman; her son, Douglas Ray Coleman; her sisters, Alice Sue Woods and husband Kenneth Woods, Doris Lenora Turner, Artie Lou Slott and husband Gene Slott; and her brother, Donald Wayne Turner.

She leaves behind a loving family to cherish her memory: her daughter, Diane Marie Lyons, and husband Billy Lyons; her daughter-in-law, Shanda Coleman; her sister, Carolyn Karr, and husband George Karr. Velma's legacy lives on through her grandchildren, Nicole Lyons-Cooper and husband Darron, Grant Lyons and wife Mary Claire Lyons, Jared Lyons and wife Katie Lyons, Hannah Lyons-Scott and husband Ethan Scott, Storm Coleman, Matthew Coleman, and Garrett Coleman. She was also the proud great-grandmother of Caroline Cooper, Henry Cooper, Abby Ruth Cooper, Lucy Cooper, Ann Hatten Lyons, Bennett Lyons, Kate Lyons, Latham Lyons, Addilyn Scott, Eleanor Scott, and Lexi Coleman. Velma cherished her many nieces and nephews, who held a special place in her heart.

Velma Coleman's life was a testament to the power of love, faith, and community. She will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her. A celebration of her life will be held to honor her memory and the remarkable legacy she leaves behind.

Services will be held on Friday May 31, 2024 at 10:00am, visitation beginning at 9:00am, at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 Normal Park Dr. Huntsville, TX 77340. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Blackjack Cemetery

Black Jack Rd
Huntsville, TX 77340

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 31. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LD

“ *She was a thoughtful and kind lady who will be greatly missed. My prayers are with her wonderful family and friends.*

Lora Dollar - June 02, 2024 at 04:16 PM

MD

“ *I loved Velma. I grew up next to the Coleman's and had the opportunity to know her. My husband and I also were volunteers with her at Huntsville Memorial Hospital. My mother fixed Velma's hair when she married. My dad wrote the poem, Old Father Time is Picking My Pocket, which she wanted to read at her husband's funeral. Maybe someone will read it at her funeral.*
Marjorie Lenox Delbert

Marjorie Lenox Delbert - May 30, 2024 at 01:52 PM



“ *Ms. Velma was one of the first people to welcome my husband and I at Wesley Methodist Church. She always had a smile and hug for us. We truly enjoyed the time we spent with her at Church and in Sunday School. Rest peacefully in the arms of Jesus sweet lady. We will see you again.*

Symantha McMillan McCreary - May 29, 2024 at 08:11 PM

DA

“ Nena will always have a special place in our hearts. She was a very sweet lady with a smile on her face. We know she's in a better place now making sure Doug is behaving. We love you Nena may your soul rest in peace.
Bobby and Darlene Abramski



Darlene Abramski - May 29, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Velma Coleman.



May 28, 2024 at 08:24 PM

BP

“ Rest in peace Mrs. Velma. You were one of the sweetest ladies I ever met. Prayers for your family. So very sorry for your loss. You were truly blessed with your mom and dad. I was blessed to know them both. 🙏💜



Beverly Pegoda - May 28, 2024 at 06:47 PM

MH

“ Marvin Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Velma Coleman



Marvin Hyvl - May 28, 2024 at 12:08 PM