



Barbara Gale Murphy

October 24, 1955 - January 11, 2022

Barbara Gale Murphy went to be with the Lord on January 11, 2022, at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland, Texas. The day of her passing she was surrounded by the love of her family who loved her as a mom, grandmother, and friend.

If you spent any time with Barbara, you knew she loved to laugh. She filled any room she was in with laughter, her caring spirit, and the best home cooking you could imagine.

Barbara was a devoted reading and music teacher at both Sherwood Baptist and Latter Rain Christian School. She loved each one of her students and pushed them to challenge themselves and take their education as far as they possibly could.

She enjoyed playing the piano, gardening, caring for her animals, including her chiweenie Belle, and helping anyone and everyone who needed it. It did not matter how much she had or did not have, she made sure everyone had what they needed, even if it meant she went without herself.

Barbara loved Lee Murphy and spoke of him until the last days before her passing. You would never see one without the other. They enjoyed playing pool and traveling, which they did as much as they absolutely could. She spent some of her best days traveling the country playing pool and making memories with her beloved husband and riding partner Lee.

Barbara is preceded in death by her husband, Lee Murphy and her parents, Clarence Leo and Eloise Evelyn Owens.

She is survived by her daughter Christina Ochoa and her husband Lucas Ochoa and their daughter Aubree Ochoa of Odessa, Texas. She is also survived by her closest cousin, Cherie Guilmino Burt of Lockhart, Texas as well as many close friends across western Texas and New Mexico.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage with a viewing on Monday, January 17 from 4 - 8 pm in the chapel of American Heritage. The funeral service will be Tuesday, January 18 at Hope Alive Church in Odessa, Texas at 2 pm with Craig DeArmond and Cliff DeArmond officiating. Burial will be at American Heritage Cemetery immediately following the service.

Previous Events

Funeral

JAN 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

chapel of American Heritage

Funeral Service

JAN 18. 2:00 PM.

Hope Alive Church

Tribute Wall

RE

“ *Rena lit a candle in memory of Barbara Gale Murphy*



Rena - January 13, 2022 at 09:35 AM

FC

Barbara was a wonderful spirit full of life - she will always be my "Aunt" as she was married to my Uncle "Bobby Joe" until he rightly earned his Angel wings - Christina only child of Barbara's and Bobby was a gift of God for both of them as Bobby was so do proud of his baby girl - who turned out to be a very mean country western fiddle player. Until the day we all earn our wings we will meet again

Franklin Clark - February 03, 2022 at 04:28 PM

RD

“ *Rena Davis purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Barbara Gale Murphy.*



Rena Davis - January 13, 2022 at 09:34 AM

CH

“ Barbara and I are cousins born a month apart in 1955 . Her Dad was My Grandfather’s baby brother. We spent most of our holidays and summers together growing up traveling through buffaloes and tumble weeds in sand storms from Odessa to Jourdanton and had many visits from the Easter bunny and Santa together. We had picnics and fished. We had family reunions with music and lots of laughter. Christina has that Owens musical talent. Although we were far apart in miles We were not far in thoughts and prayers and will never be.

Cherie - January 12, 2022 at 05:59 PM

EO

There is not an English equivalent for the word “comadre.” In Spanish “comadre” describes the relationship between me (as my son’s mother) and his mother-in-law Barbara. I could not have asked for a better “comadre.” I enjoyed all the holidays we spent together. As mom’s we shared a common love and concern for our adult children and for Aubree. I remember Barbara making masks for us in March of 2020. She was a great cook and cooked more than we could have ever eaten. She will be greatly missed. Emma Ochoa.

Emma Ochoa - January 15, 2022 at 08:29 PM