



## Sammie Nell Crites

July 16, 1941 - February 16, 2023

Sammie Nell Crites was born in Clinton, Oklahoma July 16, 1941, to Voncile Lillian Aday Bannister and Alva J. Bannister. She was raised by her grandparents in Ada, Ok for most of her childhood. She spent time with aunts, uncles, and loved playing dominoes with her grandfather and cousins. She moved to Andrews, TX with her parents and graduated from Andrews High School where she began working at the Bank with her mother. However, the Andrews Nursing school was trying to get a class together and needed one more student. She decided to enter the program so they could have a class but quickly fell in love with nursing and would continue this career path. She worked in the Emergency Room and loved it, this career took her to Nebraska, Oklahoma, and eventually Monahans.

In Monahans she met and married Charlie Crites and began her adventures as an Oilfield wife. They combined Charlie's four children with one of their own began

the circuit of Carlsbad, NM, Elk City, OK, and eventually returned to Midland.  
She

followed Charlie anywhere he said, whatever he came up with, even on the  
back

of their Gold Wing through the Colorado Mountains in the rain. They were  
actively involved in fundraising with Gifts of Hope as they were both cancer  
survivors. She enjoyed Golf, latch hook, reading, Bunko, and spoiling their  
grandchildren at the Country Club.

She had a great sense of humor, enjoyed time with family and friends, loved  
her

many pets over the years, and animals. She loved being a wife, mother, and  
grandma and would do anything for anyone that needed help. She was  
independent and headstrong, and lived at home until this January when she  
succumbed to difficulties following a stroke.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, and infant son Kevin. She  
is

survived by her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. We would  
like

to thank Olivia, Kyan, and Hospice of Midland.

As in life she has once again decided to give and has donated her body to  
Texas

Tech Medical School. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Gifts of  
Hope.

Gifts of Hope 2006 W. Tennessee Ave. Midland, TX 79701

# Tribute Wall



“ *What a sweet, fun lady she was! She will be missed.*

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**Theresa Williams** - February 21, 2023 at 02:22 PM



*Sammie was one of a kind. She will be missed. Love and prayers.*

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**annie fincher** - February 21, 2023 at 08:53 PM