



## Doris Arlene Faulkner

June 25, 1929 - December 21, 2021

Doris Arlene Faulkner, 92 of Pilot Point, TX, passed away Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at her residence. She was born to the late William and Alice Rose Small Miller in Chicago, IL.

Before moving to Texas, Doris was a member of the Church of the Brethren in Dayton, OH where she served as an organist. She was also a member of the Florist Club and served as a cub scout and girl scout leader. She was highly creative throughout her life trying everything from painting, basket weaving and stain glass windows to copper enameling. She enjoyed painting, quilting, sewing, flower gardening, camping, boating, and hiking. Doris' longing for world travels was fulfilled later in life, first with her longtime women's group friends and then with her husband of 25 years, Jack Faulkner who loved it as much as she did. They were a great fit for each other and spent many happy and adventurous years together. Her most favorite was sewing and she was an expert seamstress and quilter for many years donating her quilts to charity through the Richardson Senior Center. Doris will be missed and continually loved by all who knew her.

Our sweet Mother was always a strong woman who showed us right from wrong, how to be strong and change things if we do not like our situation. As children Mom was always making holidays special with homemade costumes or Easter dresses, and shirts for the boys or our favorite cake on our birthday.

She always loved dogs and worked at a veterinarian clinic for 8 years during which she would occasionally bring in a sweet dog because they needed a home. We will miss her warm smiles and wonderful sense of humor, but she is in our hearts forever.

She is survived by her sons, Joe Simmons, and Mike Simmons and his wife, Elke; her daughters, Sandy Pylant and her husband, Ron, Melody McCullough and her husband, Tim; daughters by marriage, Cindy Cummins, Linda Stengel and husband Sid, and Margaret Parry and husband Mike; grandchildren, Marly McCullough, Shelly Gordy and her husband, William, Brian Pylant and his wife, Julie, Coby Pylant, Megan Parry, Michael Parry, Eric Stengel, Andy Stengel, Emily Stengel, Quinn Holtman, Casey Daly, and Kip Cummins; nine great-grandchildren; her sister, Joyce Wahsum; and eleven nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Alice; husband, Jack Faulkner; and brothers, Bill Miller, Gene Miller, and Dennis Miller.

A memorial service will be held 2:00PM, Monday, January 10, 2022 at Slay Memorial Chapel in Aubrey, TX. Online condolences may be shared at [www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Bradley R. Shotts and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey  
400 South Highway 377  
Aubrey, TX 76227  
info@slaymemorial.com  
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ We’ve all heard the term “one can judge ones character by the people we associate with”, and I’d like to expand on that by saying that that is certainly true of Doris. Over the years I’ve had the privilege and pleasure to get to know Doris’s family quite well. Tim and Mel, along with Marly and Joe, have embraced me and had me to their home on many occasions for dinners and birthdays. And one of the highlights of those gatherings was that Doris was usually there as well. To see the interaction of the whole family was truly inspiring. The love they showed Doris, and each other was genuine and wonderful.

*By any measure, Doris’ life was a success. But especially witnessing first hand her family, a family that she could rightly brag about due in no small measure thanks to her.*

*I find it a priveledge to know the McCullough/Simmons families, and especially Doris. Doris, you done good! This world needs a lot more Doris’s.*

*Konrad Shields*

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**Melody McCullough** - January 14, 2022 at 10:15 PM

MM

*Konrad wrote this and I didn’t mean to make it look like I did, wish I could fix it. I just love this, you’re so thoughtful Konrad, thank you.*

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**Melody McCullough** - January 14, 2022 at 10:18 PM

ES

“Of all the many wonderful things that Mom was, what is foremost in my mind is what she gave to each of us. Not material things, although there were many, many of those.

*Her facilitating our introduction to the beauty of the southwest in Taos that she and Jack so generously shared with us. The tales of the wonderful and exciting places that she and Jack visited, her QUILTS, and the many wonderful occasions and memories that we all shared, are but a few.*

*But the unconditional love and support for each and every member of her families is the greatest of all her gifts.*

*I was brought into the fold by my husband Michael, and Mom welcomed me with open arms and heart, even before she came to know me well. And then, once she got to know me, she didn't change her mind!*

*This was a gift to me that I could not put a price on.*

*Her loving nature became clearer to me as the years went on while I learned to know and love her nearest and dearest and saw it in each of them.*

*I saw that she had given this gift to all her children no matter what foolishness we may have decided to pursue!*

*And as I came to know those that were closest to her, I could see how that gift influenced each of us and made each of us a better person.*

*Invaluable.*

*Her relationship with everyone was one of love, open-mindedness, respect and acceptance.*

*I think this was the greatest accomplishment of her life.*

*These gifts will go on in each of our lives and grace the lives of all that we pass it on to and she will live in our hearts and memories in perpetuity.*

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**Elke E Simmons** - January 07, 2022 at 06:08 PM

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“ *Melody McCullough lit a candle in memory of Doris Arlene Faulkner*



Melody McCullough - December 31, 2021 at 12:34 PM

JW

“ *Joyce Wahsum lit a candle in memory of Doris Arlene Faulkner*



Joyce Wahsum - December 27, 2021 at 04:34 PM