



Kathryn LaRue Vessel

April 12, 1950 - October 15, 2024

Kathryn LaRue Vessel, 74, passed away on October 15, 2024 at her home in Crossroads, TX. She was born on April 12, 1950, in Orange, TX to Jean and Mary Ann (Retherford) Coon.

Kathy graduated from West Orange High School and went onto work for the city of Houston then returned to Orange, TX where she was employed at Blunt Brothers. She was a faithful woman who made time daily to say her prayers. Her favorite verses are Psalm 23-24. She kept an incredibly positive outlook on life and was prepared for life's end. As a final note she wrote " I am no longer in a wheelchair sister so be happy for me and do not be sad." If you knew Kathy, you knew that she was a very strong, courageous, and independent person.

She loved reading, shopping, crocheting, Hallmark movies and sitting outside to be with nature. Kathy volunteered for many years with Casa. She made homemade Christmas stockings and helped provide meals for the homeless. Kathy will be remembered as a very happy, loving and giving person even when life was not always easy for her.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents and former husband, Jimmy Vessel.

She is survived by her loving family, brother, David Coon and wife, Susan of Ft. Smith, AR; two sisters, Anna LeJune of Midlothian, TX, Vickie Smith and husband, Mike of Crossroads, TX; She was the loving aunt to numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews who will cherish her memory.

The family will be holding a private service at a later time in Orange, TX.

On-line condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are conducted under the direction of Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Tribute Wall

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“ Kathy liked to laugh and created many. She especially enjoyed outrunning others in her wheelchair. She liked to say “eat my dust.” Rene and I hope to see her in heaven.
Rest in peace Kathy.

Peggy & Rene Diephuis - October 18, 2024 at 12:53 PM

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“ Kathy was a positive, fun loving and faithful woman.. Even though all the time I knew her she was in a wheel chair; she had a positive outlook on life. Her sister Vickie loved her dearly and was devoted to her and was also her caregiver... She will be missed❤️



Sharon Vaughan - October 18, 2024 at 11:37 AM

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“ Kathy was my sister my best friend everything to me will be greatly missed ❤️

Vickie Smith - October 18, 2024 at 11:14 AM

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“ Vickie Smith lit a candle in memory of Kathryn LaRue Vessel



Vickie Smith - October 18, 2024 at 11:12 AM