



Joanne Kraus DuPuy

April 11, 1930 - July 6, 2019

Joanne Kraus DuPuy, a resident of Palestine, Texas, slipped peacefully out of her old, tired body and put on her new, perfect, heavenly body at home, on Saturday, July 6, 2019.

She was born Joanne Kraus to E.W. (Buck) Kraus and Grace Davis Kraus on April 11, 1930 in Palestine. Joanne was an only child, but was raised among her many treasured aunts, uncles and cousins.

Joanne graduated from Palestine High School in 1947. She attended Nixon Business School for a year and worked as a secretary for the Railroad before marrying William H. (Bill) DuPuy, Jr. of Tennessee Colony, on July 29, 1950. She was always very proud of Bill's service in the U.S. Marine Corps and proud to fly the American flag at their home wherever they lived. She instilled "the greatest generation's" pride of country in both of her children.

Joanne loved living in St. Louis, Missouri for 15 years, where Bill worked as a chemical engineer for Monsanto. She made many life-long friends there with whom she kept in touch until her death.

She and Bill moved to Baton Rouge, Louisiana in 1971, and lived there for 20 years where Joanne joined a grass roots organization of Republican women. She found great satisfaction among like-minded women friends, and in their commitment to influence their city and state. One of her proudest achievements came in 1980 when these women, working tirelessly, helped elect the first Republican governor of Louisiana since 1873!

Joanne moved back to Palestine in 1991 to help care for her aging parents. Here she attended the First Christian Church where her father, a contractor, had built the chapel of the church and where she and Bill had married. Over the years she sang in the choir and taught women's Bible study.

Joanne is preceded in death by her parents and husband of 52 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Terri DuPuy deWitt and son-in-law, Paul; her son, Richard Kraus DuPuy and daughter-in-law Nancy; her grandsons Tyler and Christopher and two great-granddaughters, Avaree and Maycie.

A Celebration of Joanne's Life will be held at Herrington/Land of Memory on Saturday, July 27th at 2:00pm.

Joanne asked that any donations in lieu of flowers be made to the Humane Society of East Texas, or to Heart to Heart Hospice of Tyler, Texas.

View online at www.herringtonfuneral.com

Cemetery

Land of Memory

North US HWY 287 toward
Corsicana
Palestine, TX, 75801

Events

JUL **Celebration of Life** 02:00PM

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Herrington/Land of Memory Funeral Home
3434 South Loop 256, Palestine, TX, US,
75801

Comments



“ I was so sorry to hear about the loss of Joanne. Our mothers were dear friends. They bowled together for years on the same team. We grew up together on N Jackson. She & I shared our love for animals especially enjoyed sharing stories about our cats. I just saw this notice. My heartfelt sympathy to the entire family. She was a delight & will surely be missed Susan Leggett

Susan Leggett - July 29 at 07:30 PM



“ Jo was our "family cheerleader" always full of joy and mirth. She loved her family so much and was such a huge part of all our lives, life will not be the same without her here ... but we do not begrudge her the Heaven she's now enjoying! We'll see you again some sweet morning, our Jo. > < > amo

April - July 14 at 05:58 PM



“ Hey! I just wanted to express my deepest wishes for you and your family. I loved your parents and they were great to have at the top of my street. I wish I had been able to visit since leaving Palestine. Many blessing to you and your family.

Rev. Daniel Bubach

Dan Bubach - July 13 at 10:00 AM



“ Oh Dan!! I'm so happy to hear from you! You are aware I'm certain of how much mom loved you! And I would love to see you again. She spoke of you the last weeks of her life wishing you were still in Palestine! We'd all love for you to be at her celebration of life on July 27th, but understand if that's not possible. Many hugs and blessings right back! Terri

Terri Dewitt - July 16 at 03:13 PM