



## Carol Sue Biggs

August 19, 1953 - December 30, 2022

The woman with fiery red hair, bright blue eyes, a distinctive laugh and a personality that lit up any room—Carol Sue McClendon Biggs—has passed away. She went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, December 30, 2022 in Tyler, Texas.

She was born August 19, 1953 in Carthage, Texas to James Murry McClendon and Bobbye Trimble McClendon. She graduated from Carthage High School in 1971. During her senior year, her 3A Carthage High School basketball team was undefeated in District, won Bi-district and Regional and made it to the Final Four in Austin. The team lost in the first round because Carol had injured her knee in the game before, but the team was thrilled to make it that far. Carol went on to graduate from Panola College in 1973 and Stephen F. Austin State University in 1975. It was while Carol was at Panola College, she met the love of her life, Michael “Mike” Biggs. They got married in 1975. She stayed true to her vows, “til death do us part.”

She had such a giving heart. From her role as a social worker at the Watson Wise Dialysis Center, to substitute teaching for TISD, to teaching GED classes at the Literacy Council, she always gave back to our community. She lived her life with so much curiosity about the world, had so much patience and love and that smile that makes everyone feel at home with her. She also had the best humor, sure to make everyone laugh at her stories.

Carol was also a loyal member of Green Acres Baptist Church and Southside Baptist Church where she attended and led several Bible studies through the years. She clung to her faith through her battle with cancer, always saying "God is in control." She also shared this verse with all of her doctors and nurses:

Habakkuk 3:17-19

Though the fig tree does not bud  
and there are no grapes on the vines,  
though the olive crop fails  
and the fields produce no food,  
though there are no sheep in the pen  
and no cattle in the stalls,  
yet I will rejoice in the Lord,  
I will be joyful in God my Savior.  
The Sovereign Lord is my strength;  
he makes my feet like the feet of a deer,  
he enables me to tread on the heights.

Carol was a very loving, thoughtful and proud mother, grandmother (called "Nannie") and mother-in-law.

Carol was preceded in death by her mother and father and her little brother, Tommy McClendon.

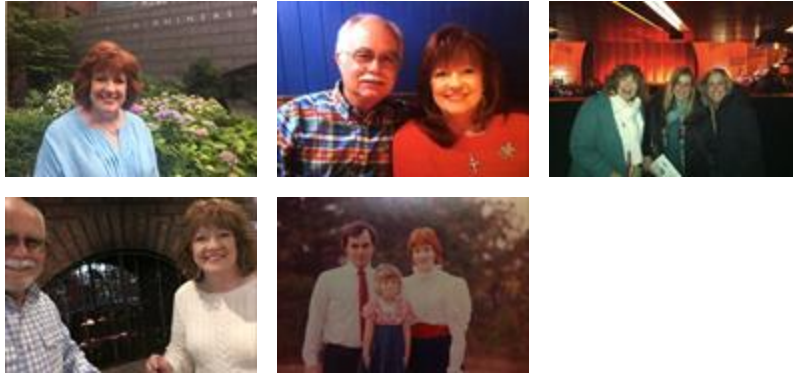
Carol is survived by her loving family including her husband, Michael Biggs, her daughter Carmin Marie Biggs Thami, her son-in-law David Thami, her daughter Emily Biggs-Heisler, her son-in-law Adam Heisler, her grandson Jack Heisler as well as her mother-in-law, father-in-law, and several nieces, nephews, cousins and her sisters-in-law.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

CT

“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



Carmin Marie Thami - February 16, 2023 at 09:20 PM

SL

“ Carol and I were colleagues and friends at the Literacy Council of Tyler. She was loving and kind and I enjoyed our friendship so much. May her memory be a blessing to her family, friends and the many students whose lives she touched. May her loved ones be deeply comforted.

Suzanne Levy - January 15, 2023 at 11:27 PM

AM

“ Amy McCurley lit a candle in memory of Carol Sue Biggs



Amy McCurley - January 09, 2023 at 01:53 PM

MS

“ *FUN! Mrs. Biggs was always smiling and always making others smile! I have such FUN memories of Mrs. Biggs. I never saw her without a smile and she never failed to make me laugh each time I was around her. Heaven is definitely laughing and smiling MORE that she is there. MA-REE, your mama was such a bright spot in my life and I know she was yours. I'm praying for the Biggs family.*

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**Muffin Wooster Stagner** - January 07, 2023 at 12:34 AM

MD

“ *Oh Mrs. Carol, will always be such a sweet memory from my childhood. I will NEVER forget you yelling 'here kitty kitty kittehhhhhhh' from my back yard. You always wore a smile and had fun treats from toothpastes to bags of chips at your house (thank you Mr. Mike). I really enjoyed seeing you and Mr. Mike at the restaurant over the last few years. Catching up on Marie and Emily, I know you loved those girls big! Everyone needs a Ms. Carol figure in their childhood and I'm so blessed by the role you played in my life. My mom will miss having lunch with you but we are comforted by your unwavering faith. We know without a doubt you loved God most! You will be missed! - Mara*

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**Mara Lumley Davidson** - January 06, 2023 at 08:51 PM

SP

“ *My heart is aching for Mike and the family. I was friends and a classmate of Tommy's. Carol Sue and I met while at Green Acres Baptist. That radiant smile, beautiful blues and gorgeous red hair will be missed. May you each find peace in memories of her. God Bless! Susan Price*

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**Susan Price** - January 06, 2023 at 08:01 PM

TS

“ Mike and girls when I think of Carol Sue I think of a beautiful redhead woman that filled the room with joy and laughter I always thought you two were the perfect couple.so sorry for your loss but GOD had a job only Carol could do Praying for healing of the absence but we are promised to be joined again Love to all Tanna

Tanna Pryor Stevenson - January 06, 2023 at 07:57 PM

LR

“ To the Biggs family, Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss of your beloved Carol Sue. I only had the pleasure of meeting her once in New York when she visited Carmin at work. She was a lovely woman. I heard great stories from Carmin and the one meeting put a face to the name. I know she was loved and appreciated by her family. Always keep those great memories in your heart. Linda Roennau

Linda Roennau - January 06, 2023 at 02:59 PM



“ Mike and girls, we were stunned to hear of Carol's passing. She was so fun and full of life! I was thinking of you all a couple of weeks ago and planned to get in touch. We are praying for you all. Much love, Janet and Dan Elbert

Janet Elbert - January 05, 2023 at 01:41 PM

BK

“ Barbara Kruebbe lit a candle in memory of Carol Sue Biggs



Barbara Kruebbe - January 03, 2023 at 10:16 PM

BK

“ My condolences to Carol Sue’s family. My memories of her as a fellow 1971 CHS graduate consist of many smiles. She was never without a smile when our paths crossed. Prayers for all who loved her~Barbara Kruebbe

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**Barbara Kruebbe** - January 03, 2023 at 10:15 PM

JW

“ Mike and Family, was so sorry to hear about Carol Sue’s passing. I will always remember our fun times at Panola. She always had such a great outlook and love for everyone. She was a sweet soul and I know you and the family will miss her terribly. God bless you all and love to each of you. Jamie McCarty Winningham

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**Jamie McCarty Winningham** - January 02, 2023 at 04:28 PM

DD

“ Mike & Family, I was shocked and heartbroken to hear about Carol Sue, my dear friend through the years. I loved her beautiful smile, and her unforgettable laugh! She always loved and encouraged her friends, she so very much loved and cherished her family, and, she never hesitated to tell anyone how much she loved and lived for her Lord & Savior Jesus Christ! I have no doubt that she is with Him right now!!! You are very much on my heart and in my prayers.  
Love, Debra Duke

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**Debra Duke** - January 02, 2023 at 04:12 PM