



Dianne Davenport Rex

July 31, 1948 - May 22, 2015

A memorial service for Dianne D. Rex, 66, of Tyler, will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 2:00 PM at First Baptist Church, downtown campus, with Rev. Pike Wisner and Rev. Charles Dodson officiating. Visitation and reception will follow the service.

Dianne passed away after a lengthy illness on Friday, May 22, 2015 at Hospice of East Texas. She was born July 31, 1948 in Tyler to Clyde and Bettie Davenport.

Dianne was a faithful member and worker at First Baptist Church in Tyler for many years serving others in various capacities. She attended Tyler public schools, graduating from John Tyler and Tyler Junior College. She earned a business degree from Stephen F. Austin University and was in business with her husband for 36 years. Dianne was a loving wife and mother who enjoyed many activities with her family such as water and snow skiing, traveling, cooking and especially dancing.

Dianne was preceded in death by her dad, Clyde Davenport, and her grandparents, T. B. and Zeppie Lukenbill.

She is survived by her loving family including her husband of 45 years, Jim Rex of Tyler; sons Ryan and Brandon Rex of Tyler; sister Linda Herrman and husband Randy of Leavenworth, Kansas; brother David Davenport and wife Debbie of Flint; many nieces and nephews; and cousin Jane Roddy of Tyler. If desired, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Building Fund at First Baptist Church (downtown) at 301 W. Ferguson St., Tyler, TX 75701.

Previous Events

Mem. Service

MAY 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
301 W. Ferguson
Tyler, TX 75702

Visitation

MAY 27. 2:30 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
301 W. Ferguson
Tyler, TX 75702

Tribute Wall

BG

“ JIM,
SO SORRY TO HEAR OF DIANNE'S PASSING. I PRAY THAT
GOD CONTINUE TO COMFORT YOUR FAMILY DURING YOUR
LOSS.
BOZ AND SUZY GREEN

BOZ GREEN - June 06, 2015 at 10:31 AM

DC

“ Jim, we are saddened by the loss of Dianne. Will hold you and the
boys in prayer.
David and Carleta Cates

David and Carleta Cates - May 29, 2015 at 08:33 PM

BS

“ Jim, We were so sorry to hear about Dianne. Please know that you
are in our thoughts and prayers. - Bruce Snider

Bruce Snider - May 27, 2015 at 02:24 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the
family of Dianne Davenport Rex.



May 26, 2015 at 04:14 PM

PB

“ Rex, David and Linda, You all know what a beautiful person and spirit Dianne was, but I want you to know that the same beauty and spirit was evident to everyone with whom that knew her. Although your hearts are heavy with the loss of such a kind and giving person, your belief is also strong. Knowing that she resides in the Kingdom of Heaven and is with you every day is, hopefully, some consolation to your grief. To her immediate and extended family and her many friends, my deepest condolences.

Pat Baldwin

Pat Baldwin - May 26, 2015 at 02:14 PM

AA

“ Ashley Anderson lit a candle in memory of Dianne Davenport Rex



Ashley Anderson - May 26, 2015 at 10:56 AM

SK

“ Although we met Dianne only once due to her illness, we had become acquainted with the Rexes through the Tyler FBC Co-Ed class. It quickly became apparent the positive impact she had on all who knew her. Our heartfelt sympathy to her devoted husband, loving mother, and her family.

Sherry & Ray Kent

Sherry Kent - May 22, 2015 at 08:20 PM

MY

“ Dianne a sweet loving family first person will be missed. We loved her for her kindness love for fun and adventure. Dianne was a wonderful wife mother and friend. See you again soon Mike and Ruth Young

mike young - May 22, 2015 at 05:39 PM

LK

Dianne was beautiful in appearance, but just as beautiful in her heart. May her family find peace in recognizing what she meant to people and how she lived. Special prayers for you, Jimmy, your sons, her mother, brother and sister. May God surround you all with his loving, compassionate arms! Linda and Decker Kennington

Linda P Kennington - May 23, 2015 at 11:12 AM

JP

Jimmy, I cannot begin to tell you how sorry I am to hear the news about Dianne. She brought many smiles to each of us when we all got together and I will always remember that. Just know that I am praying for you and your family.

Joan Patterson

Joan Patterson - May 23, 2015 at 07:22 PM

SS

My heart goes out to all of Dianne's family. Dianne was a beautiful person inside and out. She inherited her Mother's loving and caring heart, ready smile and infectious laughter. Your family is to be commended for the excellent and vigilant care given Dianne through this long battle. May you find comfort in all the wonderful memories and the promise for the future. Roddy and Shirley Sloan

Shirley Sloan - May 24, 2015 at 09:01 AM

SF

May you find comfort in the knowledge of our promised inheritance with our Heavenly Father, an everlasting life more beautiful than we on Earth can imagine. Our hearts are with you Jimmy, boys, and family. Sue and Jerry Fitzgerald

Sue fitzgerald - May 25, 2015 at 07:43 AM

DB

Jimmy I am so sorry to hear about Diane. What a special lady. Please know that you and the family are in our prayers. Dave Brennan

dave brennan - May 26, 2015 at 02:48 PM



Kay and I are so saddened by the passing of Dianne. She was a classmate since 1963 and a wonderful friend. We pray Jim and the family and loved ones find comfort in knowing she was child of God and resides with HIM today.

Patrick Odom - May 26, 2015 at 03:11 PM

DM

Dianne was one of a kind. Jimmy, condolences to you and your family.

Donna Johnson Mott - May 26, 2015 at 08:20 PM

SK

So sorry for your loss. I did not know her well, but I always admired her beautiful smile & sweet spirit. Sandra Thedford Kurtz

sandra Kurtz - May 26, 2015 at 10:43 PM

RA

So saddened for your loss, Jimmy. Dianne was my 2nd grade playground sweetheart, and she became a sweetheart of all who had the pleasure of knowing her. She leaves a vacuum here on earth, but has become a glowing addition to His Kingdom!

Robbie Albright - May 27, 2015 at 05:20 PM

JG

Dianne was a kind, sweet, joyful and precious lady, a class act. She always had a pretty smile on her face. May she rest in peace after her courageous struggle. A beautiful person inside and out.

Jill Hendrix Gilmer - May 29, 2015 at 09:25 PM