



Donna Joyce Busby Reid

November 22, 1962 - June 27, 2024

A memorial service honoring the life of Donna Joyce Busby Reid, 61, of Whitehouse, Texas, will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 3, 2024, at Broadway Church of Christ in Tyler with close friend D. Shaun Stamps officiating. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. with memorial services following. A private burial will be held at Mixon Cemetery.

Donna passed away on June 27, 2024, in her home in Whitehouse, Texas with her children holding her hands. She was born on November 22, 1962, in Tyler to the late Ronald Shelby Busby and Carolyn Louise Neal of Whitehouse, Texas.

Though she came from humble beginnings and endured various hardships in her early life, Donna graduated from Whitehouse High School in 1981 and later earned her degree in nursing from Tyler Junior College in 1995 while raising two babies. She was an emergency room nurse for nearly 30 years and on-call for family members 24/7.

Donna was a faithful Christian and a longtime member of Broadway Church of Christ.

She was known for her love of travel, history, impressionist art, and America's National Parks. She never missed an opportunity for adventure with her

friends, children, and grandchildren. She visited her son and daughter-in-law at every military duty station—including two trips to Japan. She loved exploring far-off places like the Bahamas; Costa Rica; Surf City, NC; Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA; and Yellowstone and Yosemite National Parks. She took pride in learning and sharing the historical significance of each place.

Of all her favorite places, she loved a trip to the coast to feel the ocean breeze most of all. Despite her cancer, she fought to make it to the beach with her family for one last time just the week prior to her death.

Donna will be remembered for her empathy, reflected in her decades-long career as a nurse, her welcoming home—often made cozier for friends and family with HGTV-inspired updates—her most thoughtful gift giving, and her love for music—which will live on in her children and grandchildren.

A strong, caring friend, an independent woman who built her life with God's Grace despite the odds, and an incredible mother and grandmother, Donna will be dearly missed.

Donna is survived by her children: son, Jordan Reid, and wife, Caylee, of Whitehouse; daughters: Whitney Reid, and fiancé, Stacia, of Georgetown, and Amanda Lollis and husband, Michael, of Whitehouse; her grandchildren: Colin Tarver, Elena Tarver, Amelia Lollis, Ava Lollis, and Arden Reid; her great-grandson: Grant Tarver; and her siblings: Diana Swinney and Danny "Bear" Busby.

Cemetery Details

Private Interment - Mixon Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Broadway Church of Christ
100 Cumberland Road
Tyler, TX 75703

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donna Joyce Busby Reid



Stewart Family Funeral Home - July 02, 2024 at 01:31 PM

DK

I wish I had been able to view the video. Amazing how Caylee came from a family of nurses and married a man whose mom was a nurse. Sh sounds like an amazing person, her time may not have been long on this earth, but she lived it to the fullest, God bless you all!

Donna Kennedy - July 03, 2024 at 04:09 PM

LE

“ Donna was the sweetest nurse to work with. She was good with patients of all ages. She also was really kind to her coworkers. I remember when my family had a fire as busy as she was she came to the hotel where we were staying and had bought us bags and bags of new towels to make sure our towels were ok before we went home. She also really loved her kids and all the trips that she got to go o with them. She will be missed and I am thankful I got to know and work with her at S. Broadway for several years.

Lori Elizondo - July 04, 2024 at 10:46 AM

DB

“ I worked with Donna for several years at South Broadway ER. She was always genuine and caring. Just a good person. I loved making her laugh.

Daniel Byers - July 03, 2024 at 09:30 AM

LR

“ I worked with Donna for a short while at the hospital in the RPH department. She was my early morning buddy. We would get patients ready and if we didn't have any work to do we would just sit and visit. She shared her life stories with me and talked about her family and travels. Working with Miss Donna always made my day better.

Lisa Smith RN - July 03, 2024 at 09:13 AM

PR

“ It was always a joy to arrive at work and find that Donna was also working in the ER that day. She was a very good nurse with a lot of common sense as well as great medical knowledge and she was also kind and caring. We loved talking of her visits with her children and her travels. Her patients loved her and so did we.

Paul Roberts - July 03, 2024 at 07:43 AM

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“ Everyone at Storer Services planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Joyce Busby Reid.

Everyone at Storer Services - July 02, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Donna Joyce Busby Reid.



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“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Donna Joyce Busby Reid.



July 02, 2024 at 12:39 PM



“ 247 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - July 01, 2024 at 01:51 PM

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“ *Exceptional Emergency Center Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Joyce Busby Reid.*

Exceptional Emergency Center Family - July 01, 2024 at 11:21 AM

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“ *Exceptional Emergency Center Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Donna Joyce Busby Reid.*



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