



JoAnne Lee Ferguson

June 7, 1940 - August 24, 2013

Services for JoAnne Lee Ferguson, 73, of Tyler, will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2013 at 10:00 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Roy Thoene officiating.

Burial will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ferguson passed away on August 24, 2013 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born June 7, 1940 in Wills Point to Homer and Leona Lee.

JoAnne was of the Baptist faith. She graduated from Forney High School.

JoAnne retired from AT & T after 38 years of service. She worked in the Business Marketing department in Dallas before moving to Tyler in 1972. It was in Tyler where she was the first female to hold a craft position, a frame attendant. She later transferred to the Business Marketing department in Tyler and then finished her career in the directory assistance office as an In Charge Service Assistant. JoAnne was loved and respected by all her fellow co-workers, managers and friends.

Mrs. Ferguson was preceded in death by her husband of 43 years, Jack W. Ferguson, her parents, grandson, Alex Leach, granddaughters, Shelby Gardner and Ashlee Ferguson, brothers, Louis Lee, Charles Lee, Glenn Lee, and sisters, Maxine Gaddis and Velma Lee.

She is survived by her loving family including her son, Jeff Rains; daughter, Julie Gardner and husband Kevin; stepchildren, Melanie Elliott, Jack

Ferguson II and wife Barbara, Jim Ferguson and wife Vicky, Justin Ferguson and wife Donna and Jay Ferguson and wife Renea.

Visitation is scheduled from 7:00 – 8:00 PM on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

If desired, memorials may be made to the Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd, Tyler, 75701.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

2400 S. Donnybrook
Tyler, TX 75702

Previous Events

Service

AUG 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Tribute Wall

MR

“ Dear Julie and Jeff, I am so very sorry for your loss. JoAnne was instrumental in getting my on at the phone company and mentored me through those years. She was a blessing to me and I will miss her. She love you both very much. Remember this is not the end but the beginning of beautiful memories, for her legacy will live on in all of us that she so lovingly touched. Your family is in my prayers, may God's love enfold you all. Myra La Rue

Myra La Rue - August 28, 2013 at 09:24 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Lee Family



Kelly Lee - August 28, 2013 at 01:41 AM

RS

“ Dear Julie and Jeff: I am not telling you something that you do not already know when I say that your mother was one of the very best! She was such a blessing to me and to our entire Tyler OSC team. There was no one more dependable and dedicated to giving her all to get the job done in the absolute best manner possible. She cared deeply for people, loved the two of you dearly, was a genuine blessing to this life, and she will be missed greatly. You and your entire family are in our hearts and prayers for God's peace and comfort regarding the loss of your mother. Her life lives on through you! Ron Shultz

Ron Shultz - August 27, 2013 at 07:53 PM



“ On behalf of the Bill and Marie Ramsey family, Mike Ramsey, Steve Ramsey and Angela Ramsey Coker, please accept our deepest sympathy in this time of grief. Our mother worked with JoAnne in Tyler and often spoke very highly of her as a friend and co-worker. You can find comfort in knowing she is now in the arms of Jesus. They are all probably gathered around the table playing Rook. With much love and sympathy.
Mike Ramsey

William Ramsey - August 27, 2013 at 11:36 AM



“ As I was growing up, I remember so fondly this sweet friend of my mother's, JoAnne! I loved seeing her whenever she would come and visit and Lori and I would play with her kids. She was always so kind to us. We lost contact throughout our older years, but I know she had to even be kinder as the years passed! I remember that when she would talk, she would always pat us on the back. May you rest in peace, dear friend of my mother's. And may peace be brought to your children in the coming days. Much love to all! Lisa Compton Nichols

lisa nichols - August 27, 2013 at 08:14 AM



“ I remember Joanne would be all smiles and sunshine, telling one of her "Alex" stories....she was one truly beautiful soul, and I know she's gathering new Alex stories now! I feel blessed to be one to call her FRIEND!

Gail Hoffman - August 27, 2013 at 06:00 AM

JE

“ I would spend a few weeks every summer at their house and every morning JoAnne would make an amazing breakfast and talk me up at the table while we waited for Grand-dad to wake up. She was an amazing cook, a caring grandmother, and a loving wife. Thank you for always remembering my eggs over-easy, and for allowing me to share in a part of your life that I will never forget. Goodbye, JoAnne. Each day the sun rises I will remember your kindness towards me and reminisce on memories past.

...with all my love,

- Josh

Joshua Elliott - August 27, 2013 at 12:24 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of JoAnne Lee Ferguson.



August 26, 2013 at 11:11 PM