



Joanne Bichler Freden

October 11, 1937 - December 6, 2013

A memorial service for Joanne Bichler Freden, 76, of Tyler, will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at 10:00 AM with visitation beginning at 9:30 AM, 30 minutes prior to the service. Rev. Matt Thomas will be officiating. Arrangements are with Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Ms. Freden passed away December 6, 2013. She was born October 11, 1937 in Port Washington, Wisconsin to Joseph D. and Mary Biever Bichler.

Joanne was raised in Port Washington, moving to Tyler in 1974 and then to Ocean Springs, MS for 10 years and then back to Tyler. She was a lifetime member of the Catholic Church and attended St. Peter and Paul Chapel until her death. Joanne was a wonderful quilter. She was very active in Quilts For Kids helping to make and distribute thousands of quilts to various children's charities as well as hospitals and hospice facilities. Her passion for helping and bringing happiness to others allowed her to touch many lives and she will be deeply missed.

Joanne was preceded in death by her parents, and siblings, Caroline, Rosemary, Jerome and Daniel. She is survived by her loving family including her children, Mary Jo Mimplitch and husband David of Carrollton, Patrick Freden and wife Wendy of Tyler and Mike Freden and wife Michelle of Southlake; grandchildren, Kyle, Grant, Cameron, Carson, Cooper, Caroline and Jessica; and by siblings, Joe Bichler, Eugene Bichler and wife Hermina, Dennis Bichler and wife Debbie and Michael Bichler all of Port Washington, WI., Vincent Bichler and wife Winnie of Sussex, Anthony Bichler and wife

Sheri of Waukesha, David Bichler and wife Jeanne of Random Lake and Dorothy Diedrich and husband Don of Plymouth.

If desired, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd, Tyler 75701; Quilts For Kids, 405 W. Main St, Whitehouse 75791; or Catholic Charities of East Texas, 202 W. Front St, Tyler 75702.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Mem. Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *When I joined QFK, Joanne took me under her wing and always made me feel so welcome. She became a dear friend and I will always appreciate her friendship.* ”

Pam Dissly - December 13, 2013 at 09:07 AM

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“ *Joanne was an unforgettable person. She touched all that she met. She may be gone but not forgotten. Quilts for Kids will never be the same.* ”

Joann Hopkins - December 11, 2013 at 08:07 PM

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"Goodbye Aunt Joanne, you will be missed."

Carla Reed - December 11, 2013 at 08:21 PM

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Aunt Joanne We will miss you.

Edward Bichler - December 11, 2013 at 08:32 PM