



Mary Howard

January 12, 1955 - September 8, 2007

A memorial service for Mary E. Howard, 52 of Flint, will be held on Sunday, September 16, 2007 at 3:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Rev. Herb Bryant officiating. Private Family Burial was held in Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Miss Howard passed away on Saturday, September 8, 2007 at the Hospice of East Texas in Tyler. She was born on January 12, 1955 in McLennan County, Texas to Oba and Naomi Howard. Mary graduated from Corrigan Camden High School in 1973 after which she received her Bachelor of Science Degree from Texas Woman's University in 1994. She worked at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and also as an Occupational Therapist for the Texas Occupational Therapist Association. She developed the "Teddy Bear Program" at Skyview Prison where inmates make teddy bears to distribute to needy children. She also worked with Therapet to bring therapeutic animals into prisons for help in healing. Miss Howard was a member of Green Acres Baptist Church and choir. Mary is survived by her loving family including her foster mother, Evelyn Amerine of Lufkin; foster brother, Jim Amerine and wife Dianne of Moscow, Texas; aunts, Mary and husband Travis Hammer of Waco, and Virginia and husband James Potthoff of Grand Prairie; and numerous cousins and friends. Memorials in honor of Mary may be made to the Green Acres Baptist Church Worship Ministry, 1607 Troup Highway, Tyler, Texas 75701 or to a church or charity of your choice. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

SB

“ You were an awesome person Mary and I miss you very much, but I cling to the comfort of knowing that I will soon see you once again in heaven.

Suzanne Britt - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Dear Mary,
I can hardly believe you are gone. I am so glad to have known you. I will miss seeing you coming down the hall at work with your beautiful smile. God Bless you Mary. To Mary's family, I am so sorry I was unable to attend Mary's service. I was in the hospital having surgery. She and you have been in my thoughts and prayers every day.

Betsy Weathers - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ My sincerest condolences to all family and friends of this gracious lady. I met Mary in Denton, the first time was in Kineseology class we had together. From that point on we became friends, both of us so excited and scared at the same time, especially this class, due to rumors of it being so difficult. But, we made it through it. Mary was so easy to make friends with, so encouraging to me, me being a widow with 2 children and not having any other family in the area. Even though our paths took us in directions where we did not see each other for past several years, Mary was so good about keeping in touch via e mail/cards. I will miss these and her tremendously.
Rose

Rose Justice Hammons - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GB

“*Mary came into my life when I was an instructor at TWU. I was so impressed with her sweet spirit and her desire to "do it right." She wouldn't turn in a project until it was perfect. Soon after that semester was over, Mary came to work for me as an assistant in the Hand Therapy clinic I supervised. She was as dedicated to her work as she was to her school work. We stayed friends all these years. She reached out to befriend my parents, too. I will miss her voice, her e-mails and mostly her influence on my life. Now she's our angel. I love you Mary.*

Gail Blom - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RA

“*Mary is one of those friends that you run across in life that is your Forever Friend. I met her 27 years ago as a senior in high school on my first real job. We have gone through good times and bad times together. Even though these 27 years caused our paths to not cross as much as they used to. I will never forget My Forever Friend. Please accept my deepest sympathy as you go through this time of emotinal pain. Know that God has welcomed Mary to his eternal home and we will join her one day as well.*

Ramona Adams - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JA

“*Although I never knew her, as I was adopted at a young age, my sister got to know her later in life and spoke well of her. Although she wanted to get to know us more, she respected our space and families. I am sorry for your loss.*

James - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ To Mary's family, she was a gracious lady. I owe her so much. She was the very first person to speak to me when I moved to Denton, TX to start taking classes for Occupational Therapy. I knew absolutely no one there and she extended her friendship. Mary, I will miss you greatly.

Jill Peterson - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Mary was a best friend of my sis, Priscilla, but I too remember Mary when I was just a child, and she was such a great family friend. She will be missed.. Love Ya Mary!

Joyce Wright Cook - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with each you during this most difficult time.
We are going to miss Mary so very much.

Teresa Cunio - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Evelyn, thank you for taking care of and loving Mary all these years. You did an excellent job with her and influenced her greatly. What a wonderful example she was for the rest of us. A beautiful christian lady. We loved her dearly.

James and Kathleen Kyles - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Our love and prayers are with you.

Pat and Iris Bell - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *We love you.*

Travis and Mary Hammer - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Dear Family;*

Please accept my sincerest condolences for your loss. I am always saddened when we lose a loved one, Especially so young. Although they are at peace, we still miss them very much. My prayer is that, ? Our Father who art in heaven? Grant your desire to see your loved one again thru the sacrifice of His son; the resurrection and Everlasting life.

*?thy will be done on earth..? Amen. ?Death will be no more?,
Rev21; Dan Danza*

Dan DANza - September 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM