



Shannon Wood

September 21, 1961 - July 2, 2009

A memorial service celebrating the life of Shannon Elizabeth Wood, 47, of Whitehouse will be held on Wednesday, July 8, 2009 at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church with Dr. Stuart Baskin and Rev. Pam Leach officiating. Private burial will be at Bullard Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Ms. Wood passed away on July 2, 2009 at Mother Francis Hospital in Tyler. She was born on September 21, 1961 in Columbia, Missouri to William R. and the late Virginia Wood. She moved to Tyler when she was 13.

Shannon graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 1980 where she was selected Miss Robert E. Lee her senior year. Due to her love of the outdoors, she interned at Yellowstone National Park after graduation. But it was her passion for teaching that brought her back to Texas where she obtained an education degree from the University of Texas at Tyler. Shannon taught in the Tyler Independent School District for over 10 years and just completed her 9th year with the Jacksonville Independent School District.

Ms. Wood is preceded in death by her mother, Virginia Wood.

Shannon is survived by her loving family including her son, Michael Pritchard and his fiancée Megan Hedrick; daughters, Lindsay Pritchard and Amy Enlow; her father William R. Wood; her brother William R. Wood II and wife Kelly of Bullard; her nephews Ryan Wood, Jess Wood, Chris Wood, Cade Wood and Marquez Franklin; her fiancée Jimmy Shepherd of Whitehouse; aunts Martha Griffith O'Donnell and husband Pat of Ouray, Colorado and Susan Bates Griffith of Columbia, Missouri, Beth

Glock of Liberty, Missouri; cousins Carrie Weston, Stacey Leech, Kristen Lentz, Mitch Glock, John Glock and Chris Ottinger. Honorary pallbearers will be Liz Flynn of Austin and Jill O'Farrell of Longview.

Visitation is scheduled for Tuesday, July 7, 2009 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

Memorials in honor of Shannon Wood may be made to the Southwest Transplant Alliance, 4801 Troup Highway, Tyler, Texas 75703 or to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744.

Tribute Wall

GW

“ *Shannon was such a kind and caring soul. She was quiet at times but when she had something to say she was the life of the party. I will miss her smile and her laid back attitude towards life.*

Greg White - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *My sweet friend will be missed. I am saddened by the thought that I did not stay close to such a good friend. We had such fun times together that I will remember always. The laughter that we shared on those cold nights in Yellowstone will forever keep a smile on my face. We had such fun, she brought joy to those around her.*

I am so sorry for your lose, I hope that you will draw on the memories to fill the sadness in your heart, because she will always remain in all our hearts.

*Sincerely,
Tex*

Andrea Jarrell Craig - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Fine, fine lady and a kind family.*

So terribly sorry for your loss.

Jim Carlyle - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Shannon was one of the parents I looked forward to visiting with while our daughters played soccer. Down to earth with a ready smile, her children were her pride and joy. And though Shannon has gone ahead, her love and dreams for her children remain. May they live their lives in the light of her love and realize the hope of her dreams. God will lead the way.

Howard Story - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Shannon and I were often mistaken for one another during our time at Moore Junior High as we favored each other a lot! We even shared the same birthday and referred to each other as "birthday Twins". I had not seen Shannon for many years until this past fall (october 2008) when her mother and my dad were a mere 3 doors down from each other in the hospital as they battled cancer. I surprised Shannon by showing up at her moms room one evening with my liitle sister and niece and she was so excited, as was I. We had not seen each other since high school and we had a wonderful visit and talked about old times and remembered old friends. It was so good to see her and becuase we were going through similiar circumstances it made the visit even more special. She sent the sweetest message to my mom after my dad passed away using this very message board. I know she was heart broken when her mom passed away and I knew what she was going through. It is hard for me to believe that I am writing now about her. She was far to young to leave but she is with her mom now and I know they are taking good care of each other. My heart goes out to her dad who is suffering another tragic loss and my prayers will be with him and her children during this difficult time. Love to you all, Darlene

Darlene Miller Dodd - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *Bill, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. My prayers are with you during this time. Take care.*

David Johnstone - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Bill,
I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your daughter Shannon.*

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time.

*Sincerely,
Cindy Doffitt*

Cindy Doffitt - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ *Bill
I am sorry to hear about your daughter
passing away.I pray that God's grace will comfort & sustain you at
this difficult time.Take care*
Sincerely ---Greg Hanes

Greg Hanes - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WE

“ *Bill,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that I have you and
your family in my thoughts and prayers. God be with you during this
difficult time.*

*Wanda Edwards
(Allied Building Stores - Corp. Ofc.)*

Wanda Edwards - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Bill,
I tried you at home but no answer. Feel free to call anytime: office 318.699.9107 or cell 318.376.9237. You know my thoughts and prayers are with you and understand the depth of your loss.
Sincerely,
David Stiles

David Stiles - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Shannon Wood

Keith and Rosie Brown - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ Bill, I am most sorry to hear of your loss! You have my sincerest condolences. I've never lost a child but my younger brother (by 5 years) died tragically in an auto accident just before he was to graduate from high school. Twenty years after his death my Mother would still "tear up" when we mentioned him in her presence. Again, I'm thinking of you at this difficult time.

Lee

Lee Jordan - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Bill,
Our our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Ken and Renee Cavin - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ Bill,

So sorry to learn of your loss. God be with you during this challenging time.

*The Eiffert Family
Columbia, MO*

Brad Eiffert - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. David & Lynn Stiles and I both lost a son about ten years ago within a day of each other. Please know that I will be thinking of you during this difficult time. May God wrap his arms around you as he did with me. A friend at ABS.*

Patricia Smith - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.*
Barry grisham

barry grisham - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Bill,

I just want to let you know that my thoughts and prayers are with your family during this trying time.

Kergy Smith

Kergy Smith - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ We were so sorry to hear about Shannon. Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family during this difficult time. May God enfold you in His loving arms.

George & Melissa Brigman - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Bill...My family and I are saddened to hear the news of the death of your daughter. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bill Morton - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Shannon will be missed by our family .Just knowing her was incredible she was a great person and mother her kid where her live we did so much with them while they where growing up where did the time go .We did so much yet it seems not enough now. I wish we could do it all again. I loved you like a sister and will miss you.Michael ,Lindsey and Amy call me if you need anything 903-590-0379

Kathey Pritchard - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Sorry for the lost Shannon was a loving person the short time I know her she always had a smile on her face, and keep a smile on my face. Shannon WE WILL MISS YOU

Clayton Brooks - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Shannon was such a good person. I loved her. She was a fascinating person. Her love for life, her love for her family, and love for Jimmy were unconditional. I will truly miss her.

Karen Garner - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Shannon was one of my favorite people in high school. So welcoming of me as a newcomer and the most fun and smiling person. We were cheerleaders together and shared a lot of laughs. Shannon lived around the corner from me, and drove me to school before I could drive. We laughed at her car every day, and she always gave it a little "pat" when we made it to school with out breaking down!! My boys enjoyed Lindsey through school, and I enjoyed seeing you through sports and our kids. You were a uniquely sweet and happy person, I miss you.

Mary Ann Branch Brandon - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ Bill, I am so sorry to learn of the loss of your loved one. You and your family will be in my prayers.

Ed Klish - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Our prayers are with the family.

Robin and Dana Ballard - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Dear Mr. Bill,
Please, accept my deepest sympathy as you mourn the loss of your beloved Daughter Shannon. Her death was so unexpected and happened so fast. I am certain that it is hard for you and all the FAMILY members to even grasp the idea that she is not with you here. I pray that GOD will grant you consolation and peace that only HE can give. JESUS said: "I AM the Resurrection, I AM the Life; whoever believes in ME, even if he dies will live, and everyone who lives and believes in ME will never die."
May you find comfort in JESUS' promise.
Please, know that I hold you and all the Family members, especially Michael, Lindsay and Amy in my thoughts and prayers,
in deepest sympathy, lovingly in Jesus, Sister Margo

Sister Margo - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ As the dearly cherished daughter of our deeply loved cousins, Bill and Genny Wood, Shannon made an indelible impression on all who knew her. Her zest for life and her final gifts to others insure that she will live on in perpetuity.

Mike and Sue Smith - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES FOR YOUR FAMILY

MICHAEL S. DUNCAN - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Bill--We are so sorry to here of your loss. Please know that out thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Geneva and I think of you often and pray for you daily.

Curtis & Geneva Buchanan - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Shannon was my daughter Mandy's fifth grade teacher at Birdwell. She was a loving, inspirational teacher and our whole family grieves with you.

Claudia Carroll - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ Michael, Lindsey, and Amy we are all very sorry to hear of your mothers death. Your mother was always such a joy to see each time she visited our office. We will miss her smiling face and positive attitude. To each of you children I hope that you always remember your mothers care and love for each of you. That is something that she gave to you that you can cherish forever.

Your Dental Family

Whitehouse Family Dentistry - July 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM