



Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnini

August 7, 1941 - August 25, 2023

Carolyn Ann (Kitzmann) Bonnini, 82, of Spring, TX, returned to the Lord on August 25, 2023. Carolyn was born August 7, 1941 in Houston, Texas to Burnett Hugo Kitzmann and Mary Mildred (Vandergriff) Kitzmann. Carolyn is preceded in death by her parents, her brother, Morris Wayne Kitzmann, her ex-husband, Elmo Jude Bonnini, and her in-laws Wilfred Joseph Bonnini and Lillian (Guidry) Bonnini.

Carolyn grew up in Garden Oaks, graduating from Reagan High School in 1959. She got her first job at 14, working at an insurance agency after school, and joined Humble Oil Co after graduation, working through the exciting transformation into Exxon. In the mid 1970s, having moved her young family to Spring for the girls' educational opportunities, Carolyn began an exciting new career as a real estate agent, however she ultimately returned to her oil industry and executive secretary roots.

On September 18, 1967, Carolyn married Elmo Jude Bonnini in St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Houston, Texas. They were blessed with two loving daughters, Michele Marie and Lori Ann. In 1993, Elmo and Carolyn were divorced but remained close until his death in 2019. Elmo helped Carolyn through the difficult years of caring for her elderly Mother. In 2006 with an empty nest at home, Elmo and Carolyn, having remained good friends, decided to share the house and take care of one another in their older years. From childhood, when her father would load the family in the car for a Sunday drive to the country, to an adventurous trip to California with her mother, and

eventually taking her own children to Colorado, Carolyn enjoyed a road trip. Many a family vacation was spent criss-crossing Texas, and she and Elmo finally got the girls to the Grand Canyon in 2006. After one last great trek to Florida in 2011, Carolyn settled down to pursuits closer to home.

A fifth generation Texan, Carolyn spent many hours studying genealogy, tracing her paternal line back to Germany and her maternal line back to France. She was an avid collector of cookbooks and recipes, perfecting a turkey gumbo that became a Christmas tradition. She was an excellent seamstress, making many of her own clothes, and then for her children. She passed along her love of sewing and taught her youngest, Lori, almost all that she knew.

Carolyn is survived by her daughters, Michele Bonnin and Lori Bonnin, her nieces and nephews, and beloved cat, DARTH.

A Memorial Service will be held at Addison Funeral Home, 18630 Kuykendahl Rd., Spring, TX 77379 on Saturday, September 9, 2023 at 10:00 am. Visitation with the family will begin at 9:00 am.

Previous Events

Receiving of Family and Friends

SEP 9. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Addison Funeral Home
18630 Kuykendahl Road
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Tribute Wall



“ Love, Sherry & Lonnie Davidson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnin.



Love, Sherry & Lonnie Davidson - September 08, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnin.



September 08, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnin.



September 07, 2023 at 06:10 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnin.



September 07, 2023 at 10:34 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnin.

September 07, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Kitzmann Bonnin.



September 07, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ I remember Carolyn as a very kind and gracious lady. I met her just before her wedding to Elmo. We shared a love of sewing in many forms. Our conversations were always interesting and reflected her love of family. She will be truly missed.
Beverley Hendley.

Beverley Hendley - September 05, 2023 at 10:23 PM