



Martha Joe Hudson

November 14, 1941 - June 29, 2022

Martha Joe Hudson passed away peacefully on June 29, 2022 in Ruidoso, New Mexico. She was born November 14, 1941 in Henderson, Texas. She was the youngest of four daughters born to her parents Willie (Bill) Ramsey Hudson and Ted (L.W.) Hudson. When she was born, her father was anticipating a girl and had already placed the name Joe on the birth certificate. He quickly scribbled the name Martha in front of Joe. Her sisters, Mary Lou Powell and Roberta Hammond preceded her in death and her sister Fan Crawford survives her. Her stepbrother, Boots Watt also preceded her in death as well as foster son, Cecil Marks. Her beloved nieces Lyn Crawford and Cori Crawford Van Oss and nephews Dixon Conn, Ted Conn and Welch Watt III survive her, along with many great nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Following High School graduation, Joe attended Lon Morris Junior College and graduated from Stephen F. Austin with a BA in History. Her history teaching career began in Sinton, Texas, then on to Lovington, New Mexico and ending at Henderson, Texas where she taught 26+ years. She loved teaching history to young minds, instilling them with patriotism and love of country. She was a mentor and advocate for many that she instructed. She loved traveling and learning and transferred her knowledge and passion for learning to those in her classroom and life.

Joe loved the New Mexico climate, cultures and her Lee Family cousins there.

Her many friends in Ruidoso remember her fondly for her friendship and support.

Joe was a member of the Daughters of the Texas Revolution, recently served on the Jockey Club Foundation, was a member of the Ruidoso Downs Jockey Club, volunteered for Meals on Wheels, promoted and supported the building of the Ruidoso Downs Chapel and was an avid needle pointer. She was involved in community service by collecting school supplies for children of racetrack employees, considerate of her neighbors and loved all sports- especially those at Henderson High School and Hondo, New Mexico Schools. She was a lifelong Presbyterian and her faith, family and America were her priorities.

Her Memorial Service will be held on September 17, 2022, at 10 a.m. in the chapel at Crawford-A Crim Funeral Home, Henderson, Texas with a reception following at the Henderson Civic Center.

The Family requests that in Lieu of flowers, Memorials be sent to: Joe Hudson Memorial Scholarship, HISD Education Foundation, P.O. Box 728, Henderson, Texas 75653 and the Ruidoso Jockey Club Foundation, Inc., 1703 Sudderth Drive #444, Ruidoso, NM 88345 www.rjcfinv.org.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Memorial Visitation

SEP 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

Henderson Civic Center
1500 Lake Forest Pkwy
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - September 17, 2022 at 10:31 AM

MW

“ *Margaret B Williams lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Margaret B Williams - September 16, 2022 at 12:38 PM

CB

“ *Colleen Briggs lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Colleen Briggs - September 15, 2022 at 07:30 PM

LW

“ *Lisa Wylie lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Lisa Wylie - September 15, 2022 at 10:41 AM

JM

“ *Jean McLaurin lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Jean McLaurin - September 14, 2022 at 07:57 PM

SA

“ *Steve And Sheila Alford lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Steve and Sheila Alford - September 14, 2022 at 03:51 PM

MC

“ *My all time favorite teacher. She taught me chivalry. I will miss her, dearly.*

Matthew Cannon - September 14, 2022 at 02:16 PM

DC

“ *David And Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



David and Jan Crow - September 13, 2022 at 04:03 PM

BS

“ *Brad & Lou Ann Standard lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Brad & Lou Ann Standard - September 13, 2022 at 10:35 AM

MS

“ *Monica And Bob Sanders lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Monica and Bob Sanders - September 12, 2022 at 06:28 PM

KD

“ *I loved Ms. Hudson. She was a great person and a fabulous teacher that will truly be missed. Kim Clay Dixon*

Kim Clay Dixon - September 12, 2022 at 02:55 PM

JH

“ *Jenny Marwil Hardy lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Jenny Marwil Hardy - September 12, 2022 at 02:51 PM

JB

“ *Fond memories of my days in her class.*

James C Ballow - September 12, 2022 at 01:45 PM



“ *Donna Aaron lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Donna Aaron - September 12, 2022 at 01:32 PM

CH

“ *Cheryl Harkness lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson*



Cheryl Harkness - September 12, 2022 at 12:05 PM

MB

“ Margaret (Green) Brown lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson



Margaret (Green) Brown - September 12, 2022 at 06:22 AM

CW

“ I have known Joe since our families both were members of First Presbyterian Church in Henderson. She and I were in the same second grade class at Central Elementary in Henderson. She had beautiful long pigtails and will be missed by those who knew her.
Cyndy Barry Willard

Cyndy Willard - August 31, 2022 at 09:13 AM

CG

“ She was a great teacher. Condolences,
Connye Poovey Guy



Connye Poovey Guy - August 31, 2022 at 12:46 AM

DG

“ Dinah Gray lit a candle in memory of Martha Joe Hudson



Dinah Gray - August 30, 2022 at 09:08 PM