



Barbara Alice Bullen

December 2, 1942 - December 4, 2023

Barbara Baumgarten Bullen passed away December 4, 2023, two days after her 81st birthday. Barbara was born in Corsicana, TX but spent most of her life in the Houston area. Fort Worth became her second home both during her college days at Texas Christian University and later in life when she moved there to be closer to her son and grandkids.

Barbara touched the lives of generations of children during her career as an elementary school teacher. She had a special way of making her students feel seen and valued. Barbara was a lifelong giver who relished taking care of others and connecting with people. And Barbara always brought the fun. Where Barbara went, the party followed! She had an infectiously joyful spirit and was famous for her margaritas, her boisterous laugh, and for dancing on the bar at Pappy's, the restaurant she and her husband Bill owned in Richmond.

She and Bill Bullen were married for forty-two years until his passing in 2008. Together they raised their son Chris and daughter Carolyn first in Houston and later in Richmond. And they were proud grandparents (Pappy and Bobby) of Josie, Keaton, and Will who Barbara spoiled with Popsicles, presents and plenty of hugs. She loved her family more than anything, but her TCU Horned Frogs came in a close second. She also had a legendary love of bowling, her longtime group of friends, and the David Allan Coe song "You Never Even

Called Me By My Name,” (incidentally her go-to for dancing on the bar). She will be forever missed, but she is probably already swinging a napkin and dancing on a cloud, free from Alzheimer's she so gracefully endured for the past decade.

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Bill and daughter Carolyn and is survived by son Chris and his wife Leslie Senevey, grandkids Josie, Keaton and Will, sister Anne Wilhite, brother Ray Baumgarten and his wife Eva, and a host of beloved nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Barbara's life will take place at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, December 28, 2023, at Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Chapel in Rosenberg, TX.

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Alice Bullen.* ”



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