



Rena Ann Sullivan

November 15, 1948 - June 28, 2013

Beloved Daughter, Mother, Wife, and Grandmother, Rena Ann Sullivan of Richmond, Texas passed away on Friday, June 28, 2013 after her brave battle with cancer.

Rena was born to the late Jack Lashley and the surviving Ethelyn Lashley on November 15, 1948 in Vicksburg, Mississippi, sister to her older brother, Ronald Lashley and younger brother, Kenny Lashley. She graduated in 1967 from Bay High School. In 1969, Rena married Rodney Dale Sullivan in a little church near the beach in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and the two moved around often as Rodney was in the Navy. They had their first child, Kim Elaine while living in Florida. David Christopher was born in New Orleans, Louisiana. Finally they landed in Richmond, Texas, just outside of Houston where they decided to stay and lay their roots. There they had their third child, Carrie Elyse Sullivan.

Rena was a diligent, loving, and passionate mother. She also worked as a pre-school teacher for St. Johns Methodist where she has touched so many lives. She had a magic with children. Always patient and loving with an unending smile that people could feel as well as see.

She was a gifted gardener, and loved flowers of all kinds. She taught so many people about growing beautiful things, and about love, laughter and the

importance of family.

Rena was incredibly proud of the beautiful family she and Rodney had created. She could always be found with her eye behind a camera, capturing her fondest memories. She admired and loved her daughter-in-law, Claire Camit Sullivan and her beloved two grandchildren, Laila Fe and Conner Jack Sullivan. Rena was surrounded in life and in death by her loving family and will always be remembered as a woman who knew that love is the key to a joyful life.

As Rena loved flowers, they are always welcome. However, the family has requested that donations be made to M.D. Anderson for their incredible care during Rena's war against cancer, and for the care of current and future cancer patients.

The family will receive guests from 12:00 p.m. until service time at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 2, 2013 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg. Deacon Don Ries will officiate the service. Interment will follow at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the Sullivan family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Tribute Wall

BF

“ *Rod and Family,
May fond memories of Rena comfort you. She will be forever
remembered and forever missed.
Find peace, strength, and comfort through God's love.
You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Benita Temple and Family - July 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Rena,
I will dearly miss you my old friend.
I have so many treasured memories of our friendship...growing up
and living by each other in two different states. God has surely
brought home one of his most precious angels. I love you. Carol.*

Carol Law Dalfonso - July 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

IM

“ *So sorry to hear about Rena's passing. My prayers go out to her
family. Ida Stieffel Miller*

Ida Stieffel Miller - July 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *Rod, I am sorry to hear about your loss, a lifetime might seem long
but it actually is so short. I am so thankful to believe that we can be
back together in the eternities. May you and your family go in peace
during these hard times.*

Ed Bennett - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ My prayers goes out to you and your family, may she rest in peace.

Albert Sirrieh - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Rod sorry to hear about your loss. I pray that you and your family find comfort and peace.

Albert Gray - July 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Our hearts goes out to you and yours, for the lost of your wife. your best friend.

Jerry Johnson - July 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I had the honor and privalege of knowing Rena for 6 years while working with her at St. Johns preschool. She is such a sweet, soft spoken women with a love for everybody. I feel very honored to have gotten to know her family during her battle with cancer. Know that God will continue to carry you through this time and lead you to see the blessings. You are always in my thoughts and prayers.

God bless,
Kristy Hedden

Kristy Hedden - July 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Kim & Family, We are so sorry for your loss. May it comfort you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless!

Jerry, Janet, Clay & Hunter Clements - July 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I have known Rena for many years as part of the St. John's School family. She always had a positive outlook and love for family. When I had her grand-daughter in my classroom, she would pop in quite often to take pictures. She would tell me just wait till you have a grandchild, life will be wonderful. Rena will truly be missed at St. John's School. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Mary Ann Sliva - July 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Rod and Family,

I wish I had the words.... You are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Mike Linderman - July 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Although I haven't seen Rena in a long time, I remember times as children when we would go visit and have so much fun at the beach. She was a very loving and patient person and will be missed. Prayers for your family are being lifted up.

Love your Cousin,

Beverly

Beverly Robinson - July 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

YB

“ Rodney, please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers..

Yvonne Burciaga - July 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ My dear sweet cousin Rena is everything in the dictionary that defines "blessed". Blessed with a gift of calm, kindness, caring, loving and so much more.
She'll be missed by us all.
Rodney, Kenny and family, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Veronica and Rodgers Coffing - July 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ God's love enfolds the Sullivan family now and will keep you in the coming days. My prayers are with you.

Gene Runnels - July 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I was blessed to teach in the same classroom with Rena for many years. She became one of my dearest friends. We discussed gardening, cooking, fashion, The Bachelor show, and most of all our families. She loved her family! Rena was genuine, caring, patient and witty. I will miss her so much! My prayers go out to her family.

Sue Ann Stavinoha - June 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ My sweet Kim, my deepest sympathy to you and your family. Losing a special loved one is not easy. May God give you the needed strength in the days to come. My prayers are with you.

Gladys Laxton - June 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ I had the great privilege of working with Rena at St. John's School. She loved the children and always took time to listen to their stories. I personally will miss our lunchtimes where we laughed, discussed current events, and sometimes cried. Rena saw the good in everyone. I will miss her tremendously! My condolences to the family. You are in my prayers.

Tammy Hasty - June 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I was privileged to visit with Rena during the occasional play-dates our respective granddaughters enjoyed together. I will always remember her kind, unassuming demeanor. My condolences to the family of a very special lady.

Joe Kacal - June 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Rodney and family, our prayers and love are with you during this time of reflection. We will miss Rena and pray for God's love to comfort you in this time of sorrow. God Bless You All.

John & Melanie Ganzerla - June 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Rodney, Our heartfelt condolences are with you and your family at this time.

Bobbie Fortenberry - June 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM