



Ruth Maxine Villarreal

June 15, 1942 - May 2, 2021

Ruth Maxine “Moxie” Villarreal (78) passed away on May 2, 2021, at Houston Methodist Hospital in Sugarland, Texas surrounded by the love of her daughters.

Moxie was born on June 15, 1942 in Austin, TX to the late Dr. Jesse J. Villarreal and Beth “Betsy” (Pomeroy) Villarreal. She was a member of the 1960 graduating class of Stephen F. Austin High School. She received her Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Texas and her Master of Library Science from Louisiana State University. This began her decades-long career as a librarian where she was instrumental in the development of numerous projects and programs. An avid reader and bird watcher, Moxie’s greatest pride and joy were her daughters and grandchildren.

Moxie is survived by her daughters Shannon Martin of Wilbraham, MA and Jessica Wells of Richmond, TX, her son-in-law Jim Martin of MA and her three amazing grandchildren, Catherine Ruth and James H Martin of MA and Donovan M Wells of TX. She is also survived by her sister Carol Slocomb and brother-in-law Don Slocomb of Alpine, TX and her niece and nephews and their families.

No services are planned at this time but a small celebration of life will be planned later this summer. Arrangements are being handled by Davis Greenlawn of Rosenberg.

We would like to thank the staff of Houston Methodist Sugarland for their amazing care and compassion in Moxie’s final days.

In lieu of flowers, please donate a book in Moxie's name to your local library or make a memorial contribution in her name Girl Scouts of Central Texas ...

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Moxie at the University of Texas in the 60s. We were sisters in AOPi and she made everything a lot more fun.very smart and funny friend.

Sharon Ellis

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“ I met Moxie at Austin High School as a member of the Red Dragon Players. Moxie was smart and full of life and everyone loved being around her. She could always put a smile on your face. She will be greatly missed by all who were lucky enough to have known her.

- John M. Davis

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“ Marie Groce lit a candle in memory of Ruth Maxine Villarreal



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