



## Jean Beard

October 29, 1957 - June 18, 2020

Wilma Jean Beard passed away June 18, 2020. She was born October 29, 1957 in Monroe, Michigan to William and Nola Marlow, where she was raised and graduated from Monroe High School.

Jean moved to Lubbock approximately thirty-five years ago. She and her husband, Larry, graduated together from South Plains College as Licensed Vocational Nurses in 1993. She began her career as an LVN at the Skilled Nursing Facility at Highland Hospital in Lubbock, Texas, and after developing a wide range of skills in Lubbock, she began traveling as a nurse, serving the public with love and care in many typically short-handed hospital units, nursing homes, doctor's offices, and home-health situations in West Texas and New Mexico. Jean's career as a caring nurse spanned over twenty-one years.

Jean dearly loved and rescued cats and took on the responsibility to get them neutered and spayed when other neighbors looked the other way. She became a cat mom to many, including Mimi, Kidd, Sara Jane, and Tootie Boy initially. On moving to 86th Street in Lubbock, she became a mom to a cat named Mom with her litter consisting of Smokey, Princess, and Rocky. Smokey then had Tessie Lou and Itty Bit. Chester came on the scene due to someone tossing him over the back fence, and after having chest surgery, he got his name. She also rescued a cat she named Little Alex while doing a

home health visit. From there, Nick, Cissy, and then Amie appeared and became part of the family. Finally, after losing most of her cat-kids to old age, she rescued a female Chihuahua from a Lubbock pet store and perfectly named her "Rosie." Rosie and Little Alex (Cowboy) remain in the loving care of her spouse.

Jean held a close and personal relationship with God and Jesus. She was very private about it, but it clearly showed in her words, home decor, personal choices, and deeds.

Surviving loved ones include her husband, Larry Beaird; brother and sister-in-law Tom and Kathy Marlow; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Ed and Pam Beaird; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Tracy and Robert Bacon; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jean was preceded in death by William Marlow (Father), Nola Marlow (Mother). Roger and Lloyd (Brothers), and Jan (Sister).

Closing Statement by Larry Beaird:

Jean is the most beautiful soul and person I could have ever asked to have a deeply close and trusting personal relationship with. Jean not only accepted to be my loving and committed wife on July 20, 1998; she was also my very best friend for over a decade prior, I learned so many things about life and love from her that I am truly humbled and grateful for. Her sincere dedication and love to me for over three decades has caused me to become a much better person and soul than I would have ever imagined. I have written and created love songs to her over the years, yet the following is one I didn't realize would become a most heartfelt and painful song to dedicate to her until now. You're Not Here Any More

I love you forever with all my heart, Jean! You are always my sweet babe, and I miss you beyond words! While I remain on this earth, I will utilize what you have taught me over the decades to help others, and I will protect and give Rosie and Alex the very finest of our love and care. I LOVE YOU!!!

# Cemetery Details

## Miller Crematory

202 Avenue Q  
Lubbock, TX 79415

# Tribute Wall

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**Sanders Funeral Home** - June 22, 2020 at 10:16 AM

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*I am so sorry to hear of Jean's passing. I grew up down the road from her and spent many, many hours at her house. Her family were some of my best friends ever and they were all very good to me.*

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**Roger Lovell** - June 28, 2020 at 04:38 PM