



Mary Celine Rice

July 19, 1955 - June 21, 2019

Mary Celine Rice, 63, of Lubbock went to be with her Lord and Savior on June 21, 2019. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 am on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. Burial will follow at City of Lubbock Cemetery. Her family will receive friends for a 7 p.m. Rosary on Monday, June 24, 2019 followed by viewing at Sanders Funeral Home from 8-9 p.m.

Mary Celine was born July 19, 1955 in Lubbock to Billy Jack and Agnes Klein. She attended school at Lubbock High and graduated from South Plains College. She married Danny Lyn Rice on September 19, 1975 in Lubbock. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, faithful member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, ACTS community and devoted countless hours to many organizations such as Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, St. Vincent De Paul, Lupus Foundation, Breast Cancer, Multiple Sclerosis, Diabetes and Parkinson. She really enjoyed spending her time volunteering and helping other people. She will be deeply missed by all.

She is survived by husband, Danny of Lubbock married for 43 years; three children Teresa of Lubbock, Alex and wife Lisa of Lexington Park, MD; Kristy Weir and husband Wesley of Waxahachie, TX; six grandchildren, Ashton, Lauren, Ethan, Austin, Luke and Dakota. Six Brothers, Mike, John, Tommy, Eddie, Danny of Lubbock and Joe Klein of Southlake, TX.

To send online condolences please visit sandersfuneralhome.com

She is preceded in death by her parents.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mary Rice's name to either the Joe Arrington Cancer Center, 4101 22nd Pl, Lubbock, TX 79410 (<https://www.covenanthealth.org/our-services/joe-arrington-cancer-research-and-treatment-cent/>); Lupus Foundation of America/Lone Star Chapter, 15660 N. Dallas Parkway, Suite 120, Dallas, TX 75248 (https://www.lupus.org/resources?gclid=EAlaIqobChMli6SQt-_94glVAspkCh22egpGEAAYASAAEgLDN_D_BwE); National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 3610 22nd Street Suite 301, Lubbock, TX 79401 (<https://www.nationalmssociety.org/>); MD Anderson Cancer Center 1220 Holcombe Blvd. Houston, TX 77030 (<https://www.mdanderson.org/>); Southwest Parkinson Society, 3610 22nd Street Suite 300, Lubbock, TX 79401 (<https://www.swparkinson.org/>), American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Rd #12A, Lubbock, TX 79424 (<http://www.diabetes.org/>).

Mary strongly supported the above mentioned charities. Please honor her wishes by supporting these charities in lieu of flowers.

Cemetery Details

City of Lubbock Cemetery

2011 E 31st Street
Lubbock, TX 79404

Previous Events

Rosary

JUN **24.** 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401

Visitation

JUN **24.** 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401

Mass

JUN **25.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

Saint Elizabeth's Catholic Church

Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Celine Rice



Sanders Funeral Home - June 24, 2019 at 04:06 PM

JK

Precious video! RIP dear friend. Grant Mary eternal rest dear Lord and let your perpetual light shine upon her. 🙏

judy kreller - June 25, 2019 at 07:19 PM

KS

She was always smiling. She adored her family. She had a caring, giving spirit. May she rest in peace.

Kathy Sheeran - June 26, 2019 at 07:27 AM

JB

“ Teresa,
I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your sweet precious mother. I still have a few of the knitted kitchen towels and scrubbies she made.
You & your family are in my prayers for God to wrap his loving arms around you and give you comfort and peace during this difficult time.
Love, Judy Brunner

Judy G Brunner - June 27, 2019 at 12:39 PM

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“ *Diane (Klein)Hargis lit a candle in memory of Mary Celine Rice*



Diane (Klein)Hargis - June 25, 2019 at 01:59 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Celine Rice.*



June 24, 2019 at 09:46 PM

MW

“ *Mary was a wonderful friend and a devoted follower of Christ. She was always doing our Lord's work and just a gentle soul. We didn't see each other often but I always admired her wonderful spirit and kind and gentle Christ like ways. She was a devoted wife and mother who adored her grandchildren. She did so many charitable works it was hard to keep up with her. I know God has a special place for my friend, Mary because she is a special person and she loved our Lord! Rest in Peace, Mary. Until we meet again. Love, Marilou*

Marilou Webb - June 24, 2019 at 08:41 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Mary Celine Rice.*



June 24, 2019 at 03:22 PM



“ *Teresa, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. - Adela Ochoa*

Adela Ochoa - June 24, 2019 at 02:19 PM



“ *Loved visiting with Mary after Mass @ Christ the King of a morning. She was always so full of energy. We will miss her.*

Carroll Hinkle - June 23, 2019 at 09:41 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Celine Rice.*



June 23, 2019 at 07:21 PM



“ Many times I would visit with Mary at the Dollar Store! Mary & I would giggle about how we Loved the Dollar Store! She always had a Chipper Smile on! Always in her hand was Cards to Pick up a friend who might be going though a Rough time! A Church member who had a Love one going though The Passing of a Love one! I Loved her Hats !!! Her Black Shiny one was my Favorite! Our Thoughts & Prayers are with The Family! Randy & Tancy Eubanks

Tancy Eubanks - June 23, 2019 at 03:58 PM

JB

“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Rice. She was a special lady and she will be missed by those of us who knew and loved her. My heartfelt condolences and love to Teresa, a truly wonderful friend. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May the Lord bless you and hold you in His loving embrace.

Joyce Beakley - June 23, 2019 at 01:12 PM

ME

“ My mother and I met Mary at a seated yoga class when I moved from California to Texas last year. She always made my mother and I feel so welcome in class and her amazing sense of humor kept us both coming even when life got busy. Mary was kind, funny, and authentic. We miss her and send thoughts of loving kindness to her family.

Melissa - June 23, 2019 at 12:46 PM



“ *Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Celine Rice.* ”



June 23, 2019 at 09:02 AM