



Sarjim Wenzel

January 12, 1937 - November 25, 2017

Sarjim Holcomb Howe Wenzel died on November 25, 2017 in Lubbock, Texas. She was born in Kemp, Texas, on January 12, 1937, to James Holcomb and Sara Ottis Louise McDougal Holcomb both whom preceded her in death. Her treasured brother, J. Robert “Bobby” Holcomb, also preceded her in death. A memorial service is pending with Southcrest Baptist Church. The Reverend David Wilson will be officiating.

Sarjim’s family moved to Abernathy and she attended a portion of the first grade there. Her family then moved Lubbock where she attended K. Carter, Roscoe Wilson and Dupre Elementary schools followed by O. L. Slaton Junior High and finally Lubbock High School where she graduated with the Class of 1955. Sarjim loved Lubbock High and her classmates and was so proud to be a product of the Lubbock Independent School District. She enjoyed working on her class reunions. After Lubbock High she attended Texas Tech.

She married Leo Baker on June 1, 1957, in Lubbock. Their marriage produced

her only child and beloved son, Larry. Leo served in the United States Army and they lived in Missouri, Viet Nam (before it was a war zone) Oklahoma, Italy, Louisiana, North Dakota, Alabama, Colorado, California, Hawaii and North Carolina.

Sarjim, Leo, and Larry returned to Lubbock, the city that she loved, in 1976. She went to work for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and retired from there after a career of more than twenty years. Leo died on March 19, 1989. She married Ken Howe on September 7, 1990. They spent fifteen great years together. He died September 23, 2005. She married Rick Wenzel on November 1, 2012.

Sarjim loved her Lord, her family, her Lubbock High classmates, her Southcrest church family, friends from her working days and her neighbors. She was proud to be a Texan. She took pride in her yard and enjoyed growing roses. She looked forward to being with her girlfriends from Lubbock High as they met each month for the Birthday Club.

She is survived by her fantastic husband, Rick; her wonderful son, Larry; Derek, her adored grandson, his wife Elizabeth and their precious children, daughter, Chloe and son, Benjamin; her mother-in-law, Elva Wenzel; brother-in-law, Gordon Downum; sisters-in-law, Toni Holcomb, Jean Baker, Clydia Baker, and Suzanne Wenzel; step-daughter, Kimberly Howe Wagner; step-son Kenneth Howe; and step grandchildren Adam, Allen, Amanda, Bethany, Lyndie, and Ruthie.

Sarjim knew that love is everything. She would like for you to bring one rose from your garden (if possible) to her service to place it on the alter, and then take someone that you love out to eat and tell that you love them.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ I want to express my gratitude to those who attended her memorial service. You honored her memory and honored me, and you helped make the service what Sarjim wanted it to be. The cards and flowers and other expressions of sympathy were very kind. You were her friends, classmates, family, and she loved all of you.

Rick Wenzel - December 16, 2017 at 09:41 AM

SG

Rick I'm so sorry for your loss. Have been thinking of you and was actually looking for you when I came across this.

sandi guthrie - June 17, 2024 at 05:41 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sarjim Wenzel.



December 05, 2017 at 04:24 PM

LC

“ Our friendship with Sarjim goes back more than 40 years. Our husbands were both in the military, hers in the Army and mine in the Navy. We were close friends, walked together, and talked together. We stopped in Lubbock in 1983 on our way to Maryland from Hawaii.
It was so nice seeing them again. Even though we did not see much of each other, she was a loyal and true friend. Frank & Leonie Cawley.

Leonie Cawley - December 04, 2017 at 09:53 AM

RW

“ Just in case there's any confusion, Sarjim's memorial service will be December 14th at 11am in the new Sanctuary at Southcrest Baptist Church. It'll be a simple service focused on sharing of memories and remembrance. There will be some traditional gospel music, and we hope that if you see someone you don't know, you will introduce yourself. Find out how they knew Sarjim, let them know about your own connection. Pastor David Wilson will speak with us and give the sermon. There will be a guest book and photos and some items I associate with Sarjim-- a small sample of some of her favorite things, I guess you could call it.

Rick Wenzel - December 03, 2017 at 09:46 PM

TO

“ Toni Holcomb, Springfield, Ohio purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Sarjim Wenzel.



Toni Holcomb, Springfield, Ohio - December 02, 2017 at 05:49 PM



“ To my dear friend Sarjim, I cherished our friendship and will miss you greatly. You were just an all-around good person. We got to compare notes of our growing up here in Lubbock as we worked out at Wellness today. You were a wonderful wife to both Ken Howe and Rick Wenzel. I could see how devoted they were to you and you to them. I admired your faithfulness to God and to your church, Southcrest Baptist. Give my sister Linda a hug and I'll see you in Heaven.

Rita Walker - November 30, 2017 at 11:18 AM

JL

“ To Sarjim, You were such a great neighbor we enjoy seeing with your roses an just being around to talk with. You would bring us your famous cheeseball to us each Christmas. It broke our hearts that you passaway we will miss you. May God Bless your family.
Love John and Nancy Lucero

John Lucero - November 28, 2017 at 08:48 PM

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Rick Wenzel - November 28, 2017 at 05:13 PM

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Rick Wenzel - November 28, 2017 at 05:11 PM

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“ To Sarajim, we laughed and we cried, and we took care of Larry, and the chickens and the Ducks, I know you are at peace and will be traveling wonderful miles to meet and greet all those you have loved and lost. My mother loved you and Larry so much, hope that all is well in your final journey. And to Larry I hope that you will remember my Mother Ina Haggard, your baby sitter forever and know that I love you as well Judy Haggard Sandlin, and all our little chickens and Easter ducks. Bless you and your family.
Judy Haggard Sandlin



JUDY h SANDLIN - November 28, 2017 at 11:11 AM