



## Cathy Duke Burke

*November 20, 1946 - April 3, 2014*

Cathy Duke Burke, age 67, of McKinney, Texas, passed away April 3, 2014, in Dallas, Texas. Cathy was born November 20, 1946, in Odessa, Texas, to William Clark and Lora May (Bruce) Duke. She married Robert William Burke, Sr., on April 30, 1983, in Plano, Texas. Cathy was active in the Ruby Red Hatters in Rotonda West, Florida and was an avid NASCAR fan. She was a member of Fellowship Church in Englewood, Florida.

She is survived by her husband, Bob Burke of McKinney, Texas; brothers, Will Duke, Jr. and wife, Ruth of San Diego, California and Richard Duke and wife, Cindy of Dallas, Texas; sister and best friend, Becky Roberts and husband, Mike of Midland, Texas; step-children, Kelly Burke and partner Chris Penzkofer of Carrollton, Texas, Rob Burke and wife, Sherri of McKinney, Texas, and Beth Allphin and husband, Brian of Frisco, Texas; step-grandchildren, Caleb, Addi, Lily, Lucas, Olivia, and Elizabeth; nieces and nephews, Bess Angi, Abbie, Phillip, Duke, Matt, and Stephen; and cousins, Ray Ann, Freda Sue, Lyn, Gail, Lori, Jacque Jean, Douglas, Suzanne, Sandra, and David.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service will be held at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2014, at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel in Allen, Texas. The family will receive friends at a remembrance gathering on Tuesday evening from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., at the funeral home.

## Memorials

*I went to High School in Midland with Cathy. She was a lot of fun, but always played by the rules. I am sad to hear of her passing but so thankful that I knew*

*her. May God bless her family and give them peace.*

**BETTY SUE ROGERS-PHILLIPS, JUNE 30, 2014**

*I am so so sorry I dropped the ball and was not in touch during the final days of Cathy's life on earth. My heart and prayers are with you as you look forward to your reuniting with her in Heaven. Gene and I remember what a great time we had with the two of you at Niagra Falls and the Erie Canal. Also our visit last spring in Allen at our Gina's house. Yours and Cathy's testimonies of God's grace during her illness have been such a blessing and lesson to us and so valuable as we will be facing trials also and will remember the example of faith and trusting in God that you have been. May God continue to bless you all with comfort as only He can! Love, Lorraine and Gene*

**LORI HOYLE, APRIL 10, 2014**

*I shared a November birthday each year with Kathy in our Red Hat meetings. I have yearly pictures of her I will always treasure. Her smile was wonderful and had a calming quality. I always felt at ease when I was with her. She will be lovingly missed.*

**DIANA LEONHARDT, APRIL 9, 2014**

*I wish I could be there to read a LADY IS PASSING BY because if anyone fits the definition you do my friend. I begin and end every day looking at the figurine you gave me, the two of us sitting and chatting. I tell you my secrets and desires and today I wish you were here next to me so I could share in person. My saving grace is knowing that Heaven is For Real and you are there. A Lady is Passing By We are all standing along her path As this Lady takes her last journey, Sisters all dressed in purple and red As a Red Hat Sister passes by. She will be passing my way soon. I can feel her spirit in the morning breeze. I am blessed that I came to know her Before this Red Hat Sister passed by me. The words of an old hymn comfort me. "Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home," In grace a Red Hat Sister is passing by. As she passes we tip our red hats in respect And our hearts crying shed tears of love. We stand in awe – she is one of our own. Our Red Hat sister is passing by. Love you girl! Pam*

**PAM AND BOB BOMBARDIERI, APRIL 9, 2014**

*Life is eternal, and love is immortal, and death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight. - Rossiter Worthington Raymond Cathy will always be in our hearts. Sandra Bruce and the Bruce Family April 8, 2014*

**SANDRA BRUCE, APRIL 8, 2014**

*Cathy, at the very time I knew her, was a person with a great sense of humor, a realistic look at life, and an extremely passionate individual who loved all. She loved mankind as well as her animal pet friends. Wishing you all peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. Godspeed Cathy!*

**JIM HOOD, APRIL 6, 2014**

*I believe God brings people into are lives when we need them. Cathy and Bob did just that and changed me forever. Their kindness and friendship saved me. Cathy was the sweetest person I ever met. She accepted me for me and made me realize that I have a purpose on this earth. Even though we lost touch I always had a special place in my heart for her and her husband. Bob, I am thinking of you during this difficult time and sending my love and prayers.*

**JENNIFER ADAIR ROUSH, APRIL 5, 2014**

*Cathy, Karyn Newby and me were girl friends on Beatty Strret in the early years of our lives. We remained in touch after Cathy and Karyn moved to Midland. I am greatly saddened to hear of her passing. Even though we had lost touch over the years she has remained and always will, a special friend. My heart goes out to your family and I pray God's peace surrounds you. She is special.*

**JUDY KAY KIMBRELL, APRIL 5, 2014**

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