



Diane Elizabeth Heckman

November 2, 1949 - August 3, 2020

A graveside funeral service will be held August 15th at 10:00 AM at the Hranice Cemetery on CR 426, with a procession to the HUS Camp, at 3635 Co Rd 225, for a Celebration of Jim and Diane's Beautiful Life. The venue is very large, so there will be plenty of room to safely social distance. Please bring a mask and practice social distancing.

Diane Elizabeth Heckman (Janssen) was a devoted Wife; godly and loving Mother, Grandmother (Baka), Great Grandmother; Daughter, Sister, a veteran Educator and a friend and Minister to many. She went to be with the Lord, accompanied by her beloved husband, Rev. James Gordon Heckman Jr, on August 3, 2020.

Diane was born on November 2, 1949, to Dr. Calvin Janssen and Florence Moody Janssen, in Pekin IL. Tragically, her mother was killed by a drunk driver at a very young age, so the woman who raised her and who she proudly called Mom was Caroline Janssen. Dr. Calvin and Caroline Janssen were very proud that Jim and Diane followed in their footsteps and went into the Ministry.

Diane and Jim met in Denton, Texas, had a short courtship, and were married on May 25, 1970. Diane was a Librarian in the earlier years of her marriage, but retired as an Educator in 2018. Jim was in the Airline Industry in the earlier years of marriage, but went into Ministry 30 years ago. Diane was always by

his side, doing the hard work of ministry. They have had many Ministries over the years, including; numerous food pantries, clothes closets, ESL, Crisis Pregnancy, Celebrate Recovery, Tutoring, Free Weekly Meals to people in need, School Supply Drives, Christian Sisters, In God's Hands Ministry and Make Christmas Happen. They were both very involved in the Republican Convention and local elections. They loved their country and they loved people.

Diane and Jim were the godly and loving parents of Caroline and David Hensley of Wichita, KS, Destiny Heckman-Emery and Desiree Williamson of Caldwell, TX, and James and Jennifer Heckman, of Caldwell, TX. The absolute joy of Diane and Jim's life were their Grandchildren; Adrian and Andres Garcia, Christopher, Jimmy, Noah, Anita, Crystal, Arielle, Jaydon, Shepard; and their Great Grandchild, Daniel.

Jim and Diane lived in several different states; Texas, Wyoming, Oregon, Colorado, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and back to their beloved Texas, where they decided to lay down roots. They loved and helped people all of our lives from one side of the United States to the other.

Diane graduated with her Bachelors of Education at William Carey University in 1997. She was an Educator for Pasadena Independent School District at Miller Intermediate for 8 years. She retired from Caldwell Independent School District, having taught at Caldwell Intermediate School and Caldwell Elementary School. She has spent the last two years substituting at the various CISD schools. All of her students loved her, and I'm pretty sure everyone knows "Mrs. Heckman".

Diane and Jim founded Cade Lake Community Chapel in 2011. Diane was everyone's friend and mentor, and she could always put a smile on your face. She taught Sunday School and fed the community after church service,

faithfully, until 2019.

Diane was preceded in death by her parents, her mother, Florence Moody Janssen; father Dr. Calvin Janssen and wife Caroline.

Diane is also survived by Deborah and Greg Thomas and family of Magnolia, Texas, Stephen and Terry Janssen and family of Springfield, IL and Denise and Daniel Lowe and family of Ringgold, GA.

Cemetery Details

Hranice Cemetery

CR 426
Dime Box, TX 77853

Previous Events

Inurnment of Cremated Remains

AUG 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hranice Cemetery
CR 426
Dime Box, TX 77853

Celebration of Life

AUG 15. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

HUS School Encampment
3635 County Road 225
Caldwell, TX 77836

Tribute Wall



“ Casey McDonald lit a candle in memory of Diane Heckman



Casey McDonald - March 05, 2023 at 03:27 AM