



## Frances Estelle Giles

October 11, 1949 - September 20, 2023

On Wednesday September 20, 2023, Frances Estelle Giles, 73, of Austin, Texas, passed away peacefully to be with our Heavenly Father. She was surrounded by her dearest family and friends. We are thankful that we did not find the obituary she wrote for herself, because we would end up thanking the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and all the ships at sea. In addition to this, the many, many, many, many other people, things and situations of her life; so here is our version...

Frances, lovingly known as "Sissie" passed away after a courageous 16-year battle with Cancer. A public visitation will be held October 2, 2023, from 5:00 to 7:00pm at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell. Graveside services will be October 3rd, 2023, at 10:00am in the Historic SPJST Cemetery if weather permits. If the weather is bad, services will be in the chapel at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home, in Caldwell.

Frances E. "Sissie" Giles was born October 11, 1949, to Estelle Lenora Nedbalek Giles and William Jacob Giles, Sr. in Beaumont, Jefferson County, Texas. She was the second child and only daughter. Sissie graduated from Beaumont High School in Beaumont, Texas the class of 1967. She attended the University of Texas School of Nursing and Graduated in 1972 with her BSN degree. She passed her state board exam and became a registered nurse that same year. Sissie loved being a nurse and hesitantly retired after

35 years of service. Towards the end of her nursing career, she worked as a Physic Nurse and as a Triage Nurse.

Sissie had several years of post-graduate hours towards a master's degree. She loved stamp collecting, having pen pals, antique dish collecting and reading books of all kinds. She was inducted as a Daughter of the American Revolution on November 5th, 2018, into Daniel Coleman Chapter, Georgetown, Texas. She has been a member of the Episcopal Church since 1974. Sissie never was married or had children but everyone she met became her family, and every child hers. She loved her dogs and cats and spoiled them like family.

We are grateful for the sure hope of resurrection from the dead through faith in Jesus Christ our Savior and are greatly looking forward to seeing her again in Heaven. She had a true servant's heart and helped so many people during her life. Sissie was gifted in hospitality and listening with her heart to any family or friends that were in need. She had a contagious smile, sparkling eyes, a very pithy wit. She was a true friend to all and will always be remembered for her giving heart and loving spirit. She loved to make everyone feel loved, needed and wanted. She always kept a smile on their faces.

Frances is preceded in death by her parents Estelle L. Giles and William J. Giles, Sr. Her very dearest friend Frances Holland of Poteet, Texas; nephew Carl Wayne "Bubba" Stark of Baytown, Texas and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

She is survived by her loving brother William Jacob Giles, Jr. and his wife Mona Gaye Giles of Brenham, Texas; cousin Mary Ann Aspghren of Caldwell, Texas and daughter Mandalay and children; her nieces Teri Michele Tieman and her husband and children of Baytown, Texas, Christina M. Ewing and her

daughter Madison from Kerrville, Texas; nephew Jack Kelly Ickes of Orlando, Florida and her god son Justin Holland, son of Frances Holland of Poteet, Texas.

For their loving care and dedication to Sissie, the family would like to thank Lizzy RN with Travis Country Hospice, Dr. Dina J. Tebcherang and staff of Nurses and Therapists of Texas Oncology, and especially, her attending Dr. Eileen Cook at St. David's North. Care givers "Coco", Larry and Kari Turner her Neighbor and Amy Wissel, RN, thank you for your unwavering devotion and assistance during our "Sissie's" extended time of need.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Cancer Research through Texas Oncology - Travis County Hospice.

Express condolences at [PhillipsandLuckey.com](http://PhillipsandLuckey.com).

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

OCT 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home  
404 W Buck St.  
Caldwell, TX 77836

## Celebration of Life / Graveside

OCT 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

SPJST San Antonio Prairie Cemetery  
Hwy 21 W  
Caldwell  
Caldwell, TX 77836

## Interment

OCT 3. 11:30 AM (CT)

SPJST San Antonio Prairie Cemetery  
Hwy 21 W  
Caldwell  
Caldwell, TX 77836

# Tribute Wall

DO

“ Nurse Giles was a special person, she did not know a stranger. I worked with her at Shoal Creek in Austin. Francis was forever pranking friends and writing stories and poems. I have a book of them that I treasure. The world has lost a wonderful person. I am sure she is with Fran Plotting their next adventure.  
Peace to you Butch

Debbie Oliver - November 05, 2023 at 06:47 PM

CH

“ Cessca Hamm lit a candle in memory of Frances Giles



Cessca Hamm - October 03, 2023 at 10:10 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frances Estelle Giles.



October 01, 2023 at 03:34 PM

TF

“ The Wissel and Hoffman families purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Frances Estelle Giles.



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**The Wissel and Hoffman families** - September 30, 2023 at 12:20 PM

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“ The Wissel and Hoffman families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frances Estelle Giles.

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**The Wissel and Hoffman families** - September 30, 2023 at 12:20 PM

JE

“ I met Frances in high school-Beaumont High school in fact. She, Veronica Sherman Mendez and I became the 3 musketeers. Roni knew Frances; first but they accepted me as part of their friendship and we spent as much time together as we could at school. I drove an old 50 Buick that my dad had painted black. It was a big car, of course no power steering, it was like driving a tank. But we did enjoy going to lunch at the Pig Stand just a few blocks from school in the "tank". Then we would race up and down the road honking the horn and flirting with the guys. Even though I did not see Frances after high school, I married and moved to Houston and she eventually went to Austin. Roni kept me informed about Frances life. She was indeed a kind and gentle person. The 3 musketeers are no more; but, Roni & I will continue on remembering our good friend until we meet again. Love, Janie

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**Janie Elick** - September 26, 2023 at 07:06 PM

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“ *Janie Elick lit a candle in memory of Frances Giles*



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**Janie Elick** - September 26, 2023 at 06:48 PM

JE

“ *Janie E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frances Estelle Giles.*

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**Janie E.** - September 26, 2023 at 06:46 PM

RA

“ *Roni, Henry and Adrian purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Frances Estelle Giles.*



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**Roni, Henry and Adrian** - September 26, 2023 at 03:55 PM

RA

“ *Roni, Henry and Adrian planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frances Estelle Giles.*

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**Roni, Henry and Adrian** - September 26, 2023 at 03:55 PM

RM

“ *Roni Mendez lit a candle in memory of Frances Giles*



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**Roni Mendez** - September 26, 2023 at 03:39 PM

VM

“ *Frances was my very first REAL friend when I moved from South Dakota to Beaumont, Texas at the age of 13. We were classmates, walked home from school together in the 8th grade, and continued to be friends all through high school and to the present day. I spent many a weekend at her house on Emile Street, where her family welcomed me as if I were a member of their family. Frances and I had so much in common. Both our mothers had European heritage; we shared a taste in the same genre of books and music; loved trying new foods and cooking, stamp collecting, and had friends in common. I treasured her for her warmth, compassion, wonderful sense of humor and generosity of spirit. Our friendship spanned 61 years, and I will miss her deeply. God's Heaven gained a special angel when she left us. RIP Frances. I will see you again one day. Love always, Roni*

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**Veronica "Roni" Mendez** - September 26, 2023 at 03:37 PM