



Linda Matthews

January 1, 1963 - August 1, 2017

Services for Linda Matthews, age 54 of Rockdale will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 5, 2017 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale. Pastor Matt Higginbotham of First Baptist Church in Rockdale will officiate. Cremation will follow services. Visitation is 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 P.M. Friday, August 4, 2017 at the funeral home.

Linda Matthews was born January 1, 1963 in Cameron to Lawrence Tovar. She was a Rockdale High School graduate, class of 1981. On April 17, 2000, she married the love of her life, Ricky Lane "Matt" Matthews in Rockdale. Linda was a member of First Baptist Church in Rockdale. She enjoyed working in the yard and flower garden, needle work, sewing, collecting antiques, and visiting with her neighbors. She dearly loved her daughters and grandchildren.

She passed away Tuesday morning, August 1, 2017 at her home in Rockdale. She was preceded in death by her husband and friend, Ricky on April 30, 2014; two infant children, Heather Marie Garza on November 20, 1981 and Hagen Eugene Garza of September 6, 1982; her father, Lawrence Tovar and cousin, Tiger Tovar.

Surviving are her daughters, Terry Garza and Ben Rodriguez of Rockdale, Emily Garza and Julian Gonzalez of Rockdale; Mom, Teresa "Maw-Maw"

Tovar of Rockdale; four grandchildren, Hannah Nicole Rodriguez, Harper Brielle Rodriguez, Jayla Rose Gonzalez and Jaxon Anthony Gonzalez; her sister, Norma Dawson and husband James of Rockdale; four brothers, Jimmy Gonzalez of Amarillo, Roy Gonzalez, Abraham Gonzalez and John Gonzalez all of Lubbock; uncle, Jerry Tovar of California; nephews, Lawrence Lee Tovar and Jaime Lang Dawson; also survived by Diana Juarez, Joel Juarez, Victoria Garcia and Buck Garza.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Rockdale
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Rockdale, TX 76567
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Chapel Service

AUG 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ Linda was a friend and neighbor. She was a lovely lady and I will miss her a lot. I'm so sorry but I know she is no longer in pain and that makes me feel better. Hope knowing that will give you all some peace. She was a true blessing in my life as she was to all that met her. Rest in peace Linda. Your friend, Dianne Bailey



Dianne Bailey - August 04, 2017 at 03:57 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Linda Matthews.



August 03, 2017 at 09:17 PM

HR

“ Linda was a fighter. I never heard her complain. She always had a smile on her face. She will truly be missed. RIP Linda, you deserve it



Helen Reyes - August 03, 2017 at 06:49 PM

SW

“ *Sheila Wadlington lit a candle in memory of Linda Matthews*



Sheila Wadlington - August 03, 2017 at 02:14 PM

CU

“ *Cindy Urban lit a candle in memory of Linda Matthews*



Cindy Urban - August 03, 2017 at 09:54 AM

CU

I am going to miss you, my friend.

Cindy Urban - August 03, 2017 at 09:56 AM

KE

“ *Remember every time she seen me in Walmart her coming up and saying to me because I would have one of my Loretta Lynn shirts on "Hey Loretta " I always knew who it was and she would brighten up my day. I'm going to miss you but you will always be in my heart*

Kenney - August 02, 2017 at 10:45 PM

Linda
Cooper
Beard

“ *Linda Cooper Beard lit a candle in memory of Linda Matthews*



Linda Cooper Beard - August 02, 2017 at 07:49 PM

DF

“ *I have lots of wonderful memories of Linda, but one of the most vivid and sweet was when she came to the softball fields to watch Emily play, and she was gushing over her renewed relationship with Ricky. She was like a teenager again, so in love and...giddy!! Seeing her so happy was a beautiful thing!*

Deborah Fischer - August 02, 2017 at 04:00 PM

KM

“ *Terry an Emily I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. I enjoyed so much taking care of her. I will miss her greatly. Give the kids hugs for me. I will miss seeing them also. Love Kay.*

Kay Mantey - August 02, 2017 at 03:27 PM