



Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar

February 5, 1943 - May 24, 2024

Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar, 81, of Caldwell passed away peacefully on Friday, May 24, 2024 at her home. Visitation will be held on May 29, 2024 from 5:00-7:00 PM. A Celebration of Life service will be held on May 30th at 9:00 AM at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Caldwell Masonic Cemetery.

Marilyn Jeanne Robertson Chmelar was born on February 5, 1943 to Marion and Lola Robertson in Washington, Iowa. She was one of six siblings. She graduated from Washington High School in Washington, Iowa in 1961. Marilyn met her future spouse, Franklin Chmelar, in Washington and they were married on August 12, 1961 at the United Methodist Church in Washington. To this union came four children, Frank Joseph, Robert Dean, Pamela Anne and Mari Lyn.

Marilyn was a loving wife and mother and worked along side her husband Franklin on their family farm in Iowa and then in Texas when they moved to Caldwell in 1975. She enjoyed quilting and singing but what Marilyn was most known for was her love and enjoyment of spending time in the kitchen. Marilyn had the unique capability to master the art of recreating a dish that she found tasteful at a restaurant or party. She could not wait to get home to her kitchen and throw the ingredients together to see if she could match the food she had just thoroughly enjoyed. Many have often said she should have had her own

cooking show. Friends and family would often call her for advice on her cooking and baking expertise.

Marilyn was baptized in The Community Moravian Church at Gracehill, Iowa on June 28, 1953. At the time of her death, Marilyn was a member of the Caldwell Methodist Church where she sang in the choir in past years. Prior to her illness, she enjoyed many outings with her church friends. Although she was mainly homebound due to her illness, Marilyn still actively followed all of her grandchildren's activities. Marilyn was a great friend to many and had a one of a kind, joyful laugh that was contagious to all. She was much loved and will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.

Marilyn is preceded in death by her husband, Franklin Chmelar, her son, Frankie Joe Chmelar, her parents, Marion and Lola Robertson, and her brothers Marion "Jr." Robertson and Larry Robertson.

She is survived by a son, Robert Dean Chmelar and wife Shelly of Caldwell, Texas, two daughters, Pamela Anne Chmelar of College Station, and Mari Lyn Dodd and husband Craig of Charlotte, NC, two brothers, John Robertson and wife Shirley of Iowa, Donald Robertson and wife Beverly of Iowa and a sister Anne Helmich and husband Jim of Missouri, six grandchildren, Pamela Cheatham and husband Steven, Maelyn Stevenson and husband Jared, Loren Morse and husband Burtis, Kristi Chmelar, Kameron Horras and Karsen Dodd, and by seven great grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers are Robert Chmelar, Craig Dodd, Kameron Horras, Steven Cheatham, Jared Stevenson and Burtis Morse. Honorary pallbearer is Karsen Dodd.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to be made to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, serving our area: 5433 Westheimer Rd 300,

Houston, TX 77056.

Express condolences at PhillipsandLuckey.com.

Cemetery Details

Caldwell Masonic Cemetery

1411 W. Buck St.
Caldwell, TX

Previous Events

Public Visitation

MAY **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

MAY **30**. 9:00 AM (CT)

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

Interment

MAY **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 29, 2024 at 05:58 PM

MR

“ *Mike and Megan Raedy purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.*



Mike and Megan Raedy - May 29, 2024 at 08:31 PM

MR

“ *Mike and Megan Raedy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.*

Mike and Megan Raedy - May 29, 2024 at 08:31 PM

GC

“ *Your mother's laugh was contagious! She was always smiling and I'm sure she's doing that and more. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. George & Susan Chmelar*

George Chmelar - May 29, 2024 at 04:05 PM



“ 5 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 29, 2024 at 01:23 PM

HA

“ *Marilyn was one of the sweetest and kindest ladies I had the privilege of calling a friend. She was always upbeat and positive. And she had a precious smile and mischievous laugh!!! We have so many wonderful memories of her and Franklin. Such good times together. We will miss her!!!*
Love and blessings to all of the family. Mary Lou and Hal

Hal and Mary Lou Alford - May 29, 2024 at 10:27 AM

J&

“ *Jimmy, Priscilla & Family William & Viola purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.*



Jimmy, Priscilla & Family William & Viola - May 29, 2024 at 10:00 AM



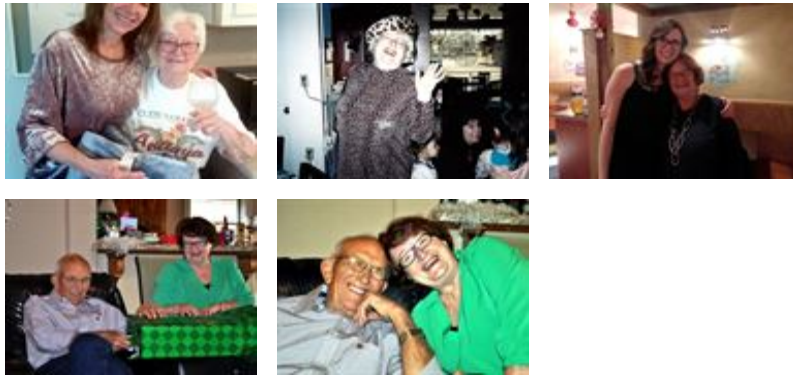
“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



May 28, 2024 at 05:27 PM



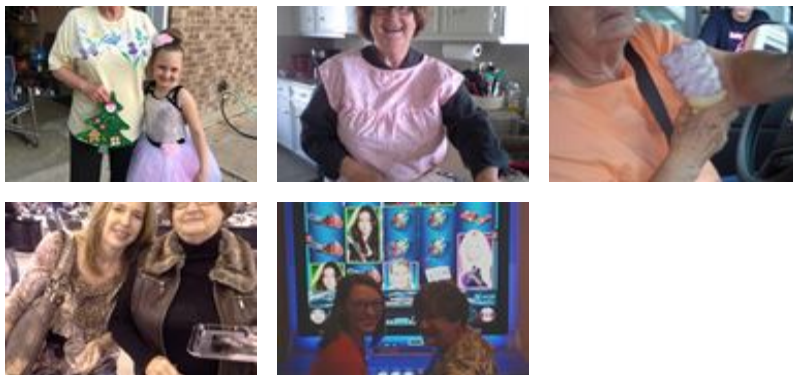
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Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 28, 2024 at 04:38 PM



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Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 28, 2024 at 02:51 PM

JR

“ John, Shirley & Rene Robertson purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



John, Shirley & Rene Robertson - May 28, 2024 at 02:27 PM

FF

“ From the Viacore Family purchased the Pretty Pleasure for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



From the Viacore Family - May 28, 2024 at 12:35 PM

TL

“ Sending Love, Hugs, and Prayers to the entire family...Marilyn was such a Beautiful Sweet Lady and will definitely be missed! <3

Tonya M Laird - May 28, 2024 at 08:43 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



May 28, 2024 at 08:31 AM

TF

“ The Garrett Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



The Garrett Family - May 27, 2024 at 09:29 PM

TF

“ The Garrett Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.

The Garrett Family - May 27, 2024 at 09:29 PM

AL

“ Alicia, Julie, and Laura purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



Alicia, Julie, and Laura - May 27, 2024 at 04:23 PM

LF

“ Love, Canes families purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.



Love, Canes families - May 27, 2024 at 02:52 PM

JG

“ *Jamie, Ken, Belinda, Samantha, Georgie purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Marilyn Jeanne Chmelar.*



Jamie, Ken, Belinda, Samantha, Georgie - May 27, 2024 at 11:35 AM