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Rites Held In Crockett For Pat Christopher

Funeral services for Mrs. Fatricia Courtney Christopher of Crockett were held Monday morning, August 7, at the First Presbyterian Church, Crockett, with Rev. Jim Tom Ainsworth officiating. Interment followed in the Glenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Christopher was born April 17, 1952, in Houston to William J. Courtney and Billie Dawson Courtney. She grew up in Houston and attended memorial High School. In 1974, Patricia graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a B. A. During college she was an active member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority, a Cowboy Little Sister, and Posse.

Until the time of her death, Patricia actively served as an officer and director of numerous closely held corporations in Crockett and Houston. She was very involved not only in Crockett but also with the people who live there. She was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church and served as a director of the Jordan School.

Active pallbearers were Sam Bowen, Ken Heidtman, Paul Dawson, Don Northcutt, Rusty Yates, Jim Land, Carrol Sullivan and Steve Bratten.

Mrs. Christopher was preceded in death by her son, Robert Ashley Christopher.

She is survived by her husband, Larry J. Christopher of Crockett; her children, Newton Hopkins III, William Christopher and Caitlin Courtney Christopher; her parents. William J. and Billie Dawson Courtney; her sister and brother-in-law, Sherril (Courtney) and William Barker; her brother and sister-in-law, Craig Dawson and Suzanne Courtney; her mother-in-law, Sallie Davis Christopher of Crockett, a former Grapeland resident; numercus nieces and nephews.

Patricia Christopher will be remembered by her family and friends as a woman who exemplified how to live with grace and in the end taught those around her how to die with the same courage.

In freu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to either the Jordan School in Crockett or to the Make A Wish Foundation.