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Jones

Funeral services for Carol Ann Marks Jones, 57, were held on Monday, November 19, at 10:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Liberty. Burial followed at the Fairlawn Cemetery in Liberty.

She was born August 9, 1950, the daughter of Alfred R. "Buddy" Marks Jr. and Jo Ann Marks. She was born in the Old Mercy Hospital in Liberty and grew up in Daisetta and Liberty. She was a 1969 graduate of Liberty High School, attended Gulf Park College, Gulf Park, Mississippi. She received her Associate Degree from Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, Texas and her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Phoenix. Carol was employed in the Liberty Independent School District Business Office as Bookkeeper for twenty-six years.

While a student at Lon Morris College, she met her future husband John Randal "Randy" Jones. After dating for awhile, they went their separate ways after graduation. Following the death of his first wife, Randy looked Carol up again, and they subsequently married on July 13, 1991. With this marriage, Carol became Mom to his daughter, Christy, whom she later adopted with much joy.

Carol's greatest pleasure was in the theater, not only as a member of the audiences, but also as a participant. She was an active member of the Valley Players since 1974, and served in many capacities in that organization. She worked props, lights, sound at times, acting on stage, directing, whatever was required for "the play to go on!" She was well known for her memory and her ability to "cue": everyone in their part. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Liberty.

She passed away on Saturday, November 17, 2007. Her husband and her father, as well as her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Marks of Hull and Mr. and Mrs. S.C. Lynch of Liberty preceded her in death.

Survivors include her mother; her daughter, Kristy Nicole Hendricks and husband, Chris, of Rowlett, Texas; brother, Russell "Red" Marks and his wife, Mary Ellen, of Liberty; brother, David B. Marks and his wife, Gloria, of Hull; two nieces, Kelley Ann Smart and her husband, Stephen, and Darcie Marks; three nephews, David Marks and his wife, Marianne, Raymond Marks and his wife, Misty, and Alex Marks and his wife, Kaitlin; aunts, Geven Bruce of Florida, Sammy Stinnett and husband, Barnell, of Liberty; greatnieces, Mary Brunson and Krysten Marks; great-nephews, Ethan Smart and Landon Marks, as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be made to the First Methodist Church of Liberty or the M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston.

Arrangements were under the direction of Allison Funeral Service, Liberty.