



Martha Neal Brunson

April 24, 1939 - August 7, 2015

Martha Neal "Marti" Coulter Brunson, 76, died peacefully at her home, surrounded by family and friends. She went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday August 7th, 2015. She is preceded in death by her parents, Dr. John and Verda Coulter and her husband William Henry "Penny" Brunson. She is survived by her daughter Kelly Shea & Darrin Martin of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and daughter Brady Baker & Michael Garner of Ashdown. She is also survived by the "loves of her life", her 3 grandchildren, Will, Reagan and Jackson, as well as her beloved dog Henryetta. Other survivors include her sister, Mary Murphy and Jim Cauthron, 3 loving nieces, a nephew and numerous great nieces and nephews. Marti was very instrumental in shaping the lives of the youth in Ashdown through her many years of work both as a Jr. High counselor and a probation officer. No services are being held, but a celebration of her life will be planned at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in her name to Special Olympics Arkansas or the Alzheimer's Association.

Tribute Wall



“ *Martha Neal Brunson*

October 08, 2023 at 02:47 PM



“ *I just found out about Marti's passing .. She was my 5th grade teacher in Oak Cliff Texas.. She changed my life .. I was really struggling in school until she came .. An amazing teacher and a loving caring woman .. We stayed in touch and had a great weekend get together in 2007..I admired her and I loved her so much .. Rest in peace Miss Coulter .. Your Peeler kids still love you and never forgot you .. Save me a seat ?*

Debbie Patton - Sanger, TX - Friend - October 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Martha Neal was a childhood friend. A lovely, loving young girl whose friendship I treasured.*

Simone Golden Fitzgibbon - Alexandria, VA - Childhood Friend - October 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Draw close to God, and he will draw close to you. (James 4:8)*

Mario - August 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Remembering so much fun with you and your sister back with John and Verda so long ago, and such great times at your home in Ashdown with Penny, Kelly and Brady. Having you in my life was so sweet. Holding you in my heart always. Rest in Peace.*

'Johnny' Coulter Dilday - cousin - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ I have such good memories of Marti from times I spent at the Coulter Farm with my grandmother, Esther Coulter. I was always thrilled to know that Marti or Mary Murphy or both of them would be there. They always made things more fun. I loved the way they were both always tanning on the side of the house and I would be in awe of both of them. Marti was one of a kind.. always friendly to her "little cousin" and she always had that great smile. I remember being thrilled to be able to attend her wedding. She was a beautiful bride. As we all grew older, I only saw her occasionally at family gatherings, but, she still had that smile and was also friendly to all . Our family has lost another great Coulter and heaven has gained another Angel. My heart and thoughts are with her daughters and their families and her sister and her family. I always felt very lucky to be related to Martha Neal... My Mom, Charline Coulter, also had some great stories about Martha Neal too... She lived at the farm when both girls were still very young. She also sends her sympathies to all of you.

With love and sympathy,

Beth & Matthew Lanagan and Charline Coulter

Beth Coulter Lanagan - Little Rock, AR - cousin - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Marty (Mrs. Brunson) and I shared a number of memories while we worked together at AJHS She was a true friend and always worked for the benefit of the children. She touched a number of lives and will be missed by her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

janice Penney - Ben Lomond, AR - Friend and co-worker - August 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ I remember her coaching the cheerleaders and the smile she always had for all of us kids. I work with Special Olympics all the time and appreciate the love and care given by her.

shirley mckendree - ashdown, AR - class of 87 alumni - August 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ I always enjoyed working with Marti, will truly miss her. She was always a bright spot when I went to the school. Loved her dearly .

Bobby Freeze - Ashdown, AR - co-worker, friend - August 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ Kelly and Brady, have been hearing about your Mom and also Murphy through Linda. So sad for your families, but the fun memories we have of our lives in Ashdown are so sweet. We had such fun with your folks playing cards, football games and those famous parties and fish fries. You both were such cute little girls and we will always remember your Mom as she was in 1978 when we moved from Ashdown. Love to you both, Suzanne

Suzanne and Jim Cyrus - Bartlesville,, OK - Old friend and neighbor - August 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I have such fond memories of Marti from our years in Ashdown. She was a lively spirit who brought such joy to so many. She will be truly missed. Prayers for peace and healing for all of her loving family. God bless.

Marion Tucker - Plano, TX - Family friend - August 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM