



## Rita Jane Sheaffer

January 23, 1954 - September 28, 2024

Rita Jane Sheaffer, a beloved wife, mother, and homemaker, passed away peacefully in her sleep, Saturday, September 28, 2024, in Dallas, Texas.

She was born January 23, 1954, to the late Ray Benjamin Walker, and the late Cherry Jane Jordan.

Rita was a remarkable woman who had a heart of gold. She had a special gift for making everyone she met feel loved and welcomed, never meeting a stranger. Whether through her warm smile, kind words, or thoughtful gestures, Rita touched the lives of many with her unconditional love and genuine compassion.

In her younger years, Rita worked as a waitress, where she brightened the days of her customers with her cheerful demeanor and friendly personality. After becoming disabled, she embraced her role as a devoted housewife and homemaker, pouring her heart and soul into creating a loving and nurturing home for her family.

Rita was a devoted member of Hope Fellowship Church in Irving, Texas, where she cherished her church family deeply. Her faith and love for her community shined through in her unwavering support and compassion. Rita was a proud cancer survivor, showcasing resilience and courage that inspired

all who knew her.

Her love for family was unparalleled, especially during Christmas, her favorite time of year. Gathering with loved ones during the holidays brought her immense joy, warmth, and cherished memories. Rita had a profound appreciation for the simple pleasures of life, such as basking in the company of family and watching her beloved shows and stories.

Above all, Rita was known for her boundless kindness and genuine care for others. She had a rare gift for making people feel seen and valued—a gift that will be missed dearly but remembered with gratitude and love.

Rita is preceded in death by her parents, her husband John Sheaffer, and her sister, Norma Perez.

She is survived by her son; John Sheaffer and wife Brittany; daughter, Tammi Sheaffer; grandchildren, Daniel, Logan, Jaquelyn, Ashlee, Khloe; great grandchildren; Emerson, Jaxon, Easton, Heidi; sister, Shelia Duffy and husband Craig; Numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

Though she is no longer with us, Rita's legacy will continue in the hearts of her family, her friends, and every soul she touched throughout her life. May we celebrate her life by emulating her example of compassion, love, and unwavering positivity.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10am, Saturday, October 26, 2024, at Hope Irving Church. 1646 W. Irving Blvd. Irving, Tx. 75061. Pastor Dennis King will be officiating. Inurnment will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens at 12pm. 1413 E. Irving Blvd, Irving, Texas 75060

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Arrangements entrusted to Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home under the direction

of Aaron King, Funeral Director.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Hope Irving Church  
1646 W Irving Blvd  
Irving, TX 75061

## Committal Service

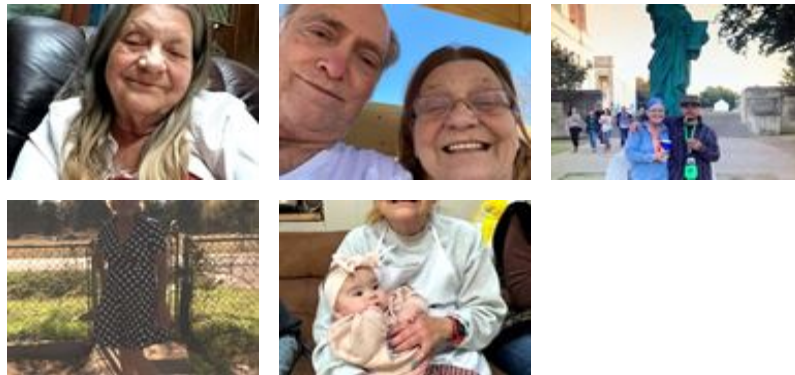
OCT **26**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Oak Grove Memorial Gardens  
1413 E. Irving Blvd.  
Irving, TX 75060  
<http://www.oakgrovememorial.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ 72 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Guerrero - Dean Funeral Home** - October 23, 2024 at 01:11 PM

BC

“ *My sweet, sweet friend you will be truly missed. I loved our precious hugs every Sunday morning. That meant so very much to me. I will always love her dearly. Loving prayers for Johnny and all the family.*

**Bobbi Cook** - October 05, 2024 at 01:53 PM

VC

“ *Vicki And Steve Crow lit a candle in memory of Rita Jane Sheaffer*



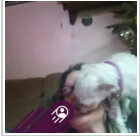
**Vicki and Steve Crow** - October 03, 2024 at 06:10 AM

VC

“ Rita was my buddy! From the very first time I met her at Hope we were Sistas!  
I miss her visits, her laugh, our talks about childhood things.  
I miss knowing she was a call away.  
I'm so happy that she now dances and sings with Jesus and she's with her loved ones.  
Thank you Rita for bringing color to our black and white lives!  
Loveyameanit

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**Vicki and Steve Crow** - October 03, 2024 at 06:09 AM



“ I loved her so much. I ALWAYS looked for her when I got to church. I had to have my Rita hugs & LOVE. We shared the love ❤️ for frogs 🐸, I had never met anyone that loved them like I do. I will ALWAYS REMEMBER & love her ❤️  
She is now where she ALWAYS couldn't wait to get. FLY HIGH ❤️

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**Brittany Holmes** - October 03, 2024 at 04:24 AM

HC

“ Ms. Rita she is one of the strongest sweetest God-fearing women I was blessed to know. I am so blessed to have seen her the night before she passed. I got to love on her and heard her say "Jesus Jesus Jesus" I will miss her so much. One sweet day we will see her again. prayers and love to John and family



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**Helena Cordero-wade** - October 02, 2024 at 11:24 PM

CS

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Rita(Momma) as I called her when I was a young teenager, and from the moment I met per I felt her grace and love and that was never ending until her last day.. I will for ever miss you and know that you will be watching over from above..

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**Corissa Smith** - October 02, 2024 at 10:55 PM

JJ

“ The most loving and God fearing woman a boy could ever be so proud to call his momma!  
Until we meet again. Rest in Peace

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**John Sheaffer Jr** - October 02, 2024 at 10:12 PM