



Ms. Sandra Kay Ward

December 26, 1946 - October 15, 2025

Sandra Kay Ward, 78, of Paris, Texas, passed away peacefully on October 15, 2025, in Dallas, Texas.

Kay was born on December 26, 1946, in Deport, Texas, to William “Bill” Gann and Lura Bell (Kincaid) Gann. She graduated from Deport High School, where she was honored as Salutatorian of her class. After many dedicated years of service, she retired from the United States Postal Service.

Kay lived a life centered around love, family, and kindness. She found her greatest joy in spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Known for her selflessness and heart of gold, Kay touched every life she encountered with her warmth and gentle spirit. She also cherished her little dog, Bella Sue, who was her constant companion, and shared many happy years with her special friend, Joe Bill Carter.

She is survived by her daughters, Christie Ward and wife Terri Baughan of Paris, Texas; Sandy Ward and partner Kristen Watson of Arlington, Texas; and Melanie Melton and husband Toby Melton of Rockwall, Texas. She is also survived by her beloved grandchildren, Taylor Shafer with husband Chase Shafer, Chase Melton; her precious great-grandchildren, Reagan Kate Shafer and Steel Patrick Shafer; her friend Joe Carter; her sisters and brothers-in-law; numerous nieces and cousins who loved her dearly; and her former

husband, Gary Don Ward, and his wife, Renae Ward.

Kay was preceded in death by her parents, William Gann and Lura (Kincaid)Gann; her brother, Dennis Gann; and two nephews.

Her family and friends will remember her as a devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend whose love, kindness, and gentle spirit will forever remain in their hearts.

A celebration of life will be held, Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 2-4pm at the Heritage Hall in Paris, Texas. 1009 W Kaufman St. Paris, Texas 75460

Arrangements entrusted to Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home under the direction of Aaron King, Funeral Director.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **25**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Heritage Hall
1009 W Kaufman st.
Paris, TX 75460

Tribute Wall

DR

“ I have so many wonderful memories of my sweet Aunt Kay with my mama as a child. I was the baby of the family so I hung out with them the most when our families got together. She never complained about having to watch all my singing, cheering or dancing 😊 She always listened to me and made me feel so loved!! I always will have a special place in my Heart for my aunt Kay and she will live on in my memories ❤️ Love you all and prayers 🙏

Dana Reeves - October 25, 2025 at 11:56 AM

KR

“ You were one of the kindest and most loving women that I have ever met, Aunt Kay. I am thankful for the memories I have with you and grateful for the impact that you had on my life. I love you. ❤️

Karla Renfrow - October 24, 2025 at 12:16 PM

CM

“ Mrs Ward always made me feel like I was family. So nice and selfless when I came to making me feel at home. Loved her like a mom. Thank you Kay. I never forgotten how you treated me. Despite Gary lol

Chris M. - October 22, 2025 at 09:25 PM

PE

“ Paige Edwards lit a candle in memory of Ms. Sandra Kay Ward



Paige Edwards - October 22, 2025 at 06:07 PM

PE

My beautiful Aunt Kay I will miss you sweet lady forever on my ❤️ heart. I love you,your niece Paige

Paige Edwards - October 22, 2025 at 06:09 PM

CA

I wanted to come see you so badly in the hospital. I wanted to go sit with Sandy. I hear she took great care of you. You are such a dear part of my life. We did a lot together and you opened your home to me several times as a child. I've spoken to you in prayer many times. I have cried and cried. Thank you for all you and Gary Don did for me growing and I cherish all memories of you and I. I love you dearly, and will always regret just not showing up at the hospital. I love you and tell my momma hi.

Cassie - October 27, 2025 at 02:33 PM

CA

I HAD TO RUN BACK!!!!!!!!!! K-BODY.....i can hear her laughing from heaven. She loved being called this. We use to workout together after work at sure save. I'm gunna missssss youuuuuu

cassie - October 27, 2025 at 03:51 PM