



Jeanette Nell Harkrider

July 4, 1939 - December 17, 2017

Our mom, Jean Harkrider, was an amazing, loving, creative and defiant woman. She was born and grew up on a farm in Thorndale, Texas and lived in several states, including Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and eventually Florida. She was married to our father for 59 years. They met at a diner in Austin where they were both attending the University of Texas. After they were married, they moved to Houston and started their family. She was a great wife and homemaker. She loved to cook, read, quilt and sew, and her creations were always beautiful. She spent hundreds of hours baking brownies and other treats for her family and the Wednesday night church events. Her desserts are legendary.

Our mom was a great source of inspiration for her family, especially when it came to swimming. She was unsuccessful at passing the Red Cross swimming test - more than once - and vowed that her 3 kids would not follow the pattern. All three swam competitively through high school and some college, and continue to swim recreationally.

She's also known for being quite "sassy" with family, friends and neighbors. Everyone always knew where they stood with Jean. Her heart was loving and no one was ever a stranger. She could carry on conversations with anyone. She is survived by her husband, Robert, and her three children, Mike, Vicki and Susan, and her four grandchildren, Austin, Alexander, Tyler and

Makenzie. Her passing leaves a huge void in our lives!

Jean loved children. If you would like send a tribute, rather than flowers, we suggest making a donation to the St Jude Children's Foundation here:

<https://shop.stjude.org/GiftCatalog/donation.do?cID=14262&pID=24671>

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

DEC **22**. 10:00 AM (ET)

The Cathedral Church of St. Luke
130 N. Magnolia Avenue
Orlando, FL 32801

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.



December 21, 2017 at 08:01 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.



December 21, 2017 at 02:59 PM



“ *Your Woodcraft Family* purchased the *Heavenly Heights Bouquet* for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.



Your Woodcraft Family - December 20, 2017 at 04:37 PM



“ *Janice Patschke & family and Jan Patschke & family* purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.



Janice Patschke & family and Jan Patschke & family -
December 20, 2017 at 02:21 PM

BS

“ *bonita shanahan purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.*



bonita shanahan - December 20, 2017 at 10:12 AM

TF

“ *Trideum Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.*



Trideum Family - December 20, 2017 at 09:28 AM

FV

“ *From all of us at MSD and Night Vision purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.*



From all of us at MSD and Night Vision - December 20, 2017 at 08:23 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jeanette Nell Harkrider.*



December 19, 2017 at 11:35 PM