



Anitra Fields Elkhatib

May 27, 1954 - March 27, 2024

Anitra Fields Elkhatib returned to her Savior on Wednesday, March 27, 2024. After braving an extended battle with cancer, she passed away peacefully surrounded by family. She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Stroud and Lois Fields. She is survived by her sister Stephanie Fields, nephew Anthony Credit, daughter Yasmin (Jason), son Adam (Danielle), daughter Amira, grandchildren Jack, Claire, Norah, and Grant, and Ahmad Elkhatib, father of Anitra's children who lovingly cared for her until the end.

Anitra was born on May 27, 1954, in Wichita, Kansas and grew up in Bentonville, Arkansas. She attended the University of Arkansas, where she earned a finance degree. She remained a lifelong, rabid fan of Arkansas athletics, as well as the LSU Tigers, the alma mater of her children Amira and Adam.

Anitra spent the first twenty years of her professional career working in the accounting department of Cockrell Oil Corporation, where she fostered lifelong friendships. Then, she left the private sector to embrace various roles within the Alief Independent School District for over twenty years. Most recently, she was employed as the assistant director of nutrition services, where she oversaw accounting and the federal meals program for the district. She left an indelible impression on Alief ISD and cherished her mission to improve the financial position of the schools for which she served.

In 2020, she made her final professional shift, leaving the workforce to become a full-time “GiGi” to her beloved grandchildren. She loved nothing more than spoiling her Jack (7), Claire (6), Norah (4), and Grant (1) by filling their bellies with cookies and hearts with love. There is no purer pride than that which GiGi felt for her grandkids.

Her favorite place in the world was in a comfy chair with an excellent book. A voracious reader throughout her life, she had a reputation for finishing books within a few days. She possessed a quiet and calming spirit, embodying the sentiment that you should listen twice as much as you speak. She loved to eat TexMex and often could be found enjoying fajitas and a margarita at Ninfa’s on a Friday night.

Outside her family, her greatest love was for her Lord and Savior. A woman of ferocious faith, she recently undertook the Sacrament of Confirmation, ensuring her eternal reward.

The Elkhatib family will accept friends for visitation Monday April 1, 2024, from 6:00PM to 8:00PM with a Rosary at 7:00PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be the following morning April 2, 2024, at 10:30AM at St. John Vianney Catholic Church 625 Nottingham Oaks Trail Houston, TX 77079 with reception to follow in St. Jude Hall. Anitra will be laid to rest by her family following reception at Memorial Oaks Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 6:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home
14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-2121
david@dettlingfuneral.com

Rosary

APR 1. 7:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home
14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-2121
david@dettlingfuneral.com

Funeral Mass

APR 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-1500

Reception to Follow Service

APR 2. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney, St. Jude Hall
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079

Graveside Service Following Reception

APR 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Oaks Cemetery
13001 Katy Freeway
Houston, TX 77079

Tribute Wall

-G

“ - *Finanacial Partners Group purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



- **Finanacial Partners Group** - April 01, 2024 at 05:12 PM

KG

“ *Kristin G. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*

Kristin G. - April 01, 2024 at 04:52 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



April 01, 2024 at 10:25 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



April 01, 2024 at 03:16 AM

LF

“ Love, Amy & Mike Wood & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Love, Amy & Mike Wood & family - April 01, 2024 at 03:16 AM

AB

“ Arlene B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Arlene B. - March 31, 2024 at 10:19 PM

TM

“ Tom M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Tom M. - March 31, 2024 at 08:39 PM

JH

“ Anitra and I played often at her house on the hill that I am pretty sure her Dad built which is now Cardinal Creek. She was very kind and easy going. I remember talking to her in the house via their intercom system which was ahead of time back then. The 1st this little girl had ever seen. She had a cat named Mike we use to play with. I also would go with her when Lois would do her grocery shopping at Phillips grocery downtown Bentonville. Lois would go to meat counter first and get Anitra a small chunk of raw steak that she would eat while we shopped. I think back on that and have wondered if she was low on iron, but eating it raw was different for sure. Lous was on a bowling team with my Mom during those early years. It was always a joy to go to her house and play. She had a great heart and will be missed tho I hadn't seen her in years. God bless your family.
Jan Horton Bentonville, Arkansas.

Jan Bland Horton - March 31, 2024 at 10:46 AM

MG

“ Marty and Larry Gustafson purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



Marty and Larry Gustafson - March 30, 2024 at 05:11 PM

LD

“ Love Jeff, Donna, Jeremy. Mimi & DiAnne planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Love Jeff, Donna, Jeremy. Mimi & DiAnne - March 30, 2024 at 04:18 PM



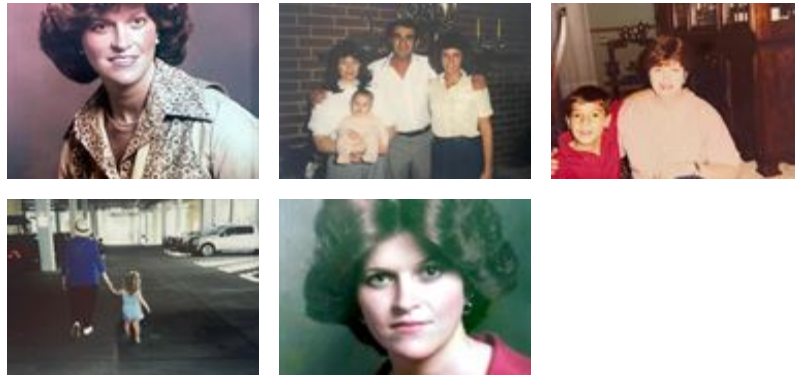
“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



March 30, 2024 at 04:18 PM



“ *12 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Detting Funeral Home - March 30, 2024 at 04:08 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



March 30, 2024 at 11:08 AM

LD

“ Love, Adeeb and Caroline Dwairy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Love, Adeeb and Caroline Dwairy - March 29, 2024 at 07:35 PM

LD

“ Love, Adeeb and Caroline Dwairy purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



Love, Adeeb and Caroline Dwairy - March 29, 2024 at 07:35 PM

TS

“ Tyler S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Tyler S. - March 29, 2024 at 06:09 PM

YT

“ Your friends at GSD-Minor Projects Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

Your friends at GSD-Minor Projects Team - March 29, 2024 at 05:47 PM

YT

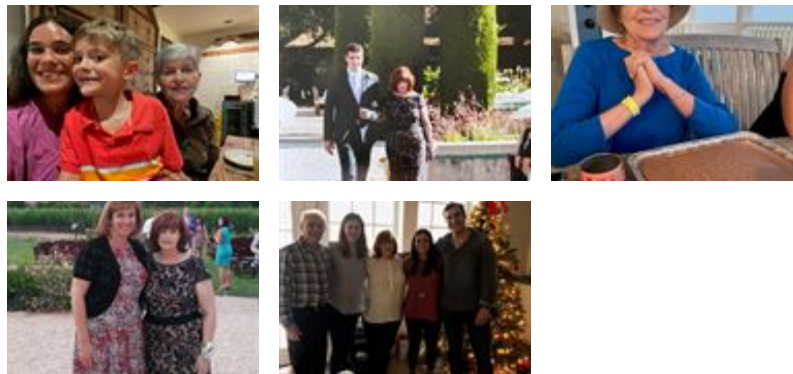
“ Your friends at GSD-Minor Projects Team purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



Your friends at GSD-Minor Projects Team - March 29, 2024 at 05:47 PM



“ 118 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dettling Funeral Home - March 29, 2024 at 03:38 PM

DB

“ Debra B. purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



Debra B. - March 29, 2024 at 03:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



March 29, 2024 at 02:19 PM



“ From your friends at Capital One (sela) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.

From your friends at Capital One (sela) - March 29, 2024 at 12:03 PM



“ From your friends at Capital One (sela) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



From your friends at Capital One (sela) - March 29, 2024 at 12:03 PM



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Dettling Funeral Home - March 29, 2024 at 11:32 AM



“ *Light Your Way* was purchased for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.



March 29, 2024 at 11:18 AM



“ *My heartfelt condolences go out to the family during this time. Just know she is no longer in pain. May her memory be a source of comfort and strength! Prayers!*
Love, Darla Duke Smith

Darla Duke Smith - March 29, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ *Capital One Commercial & Energy Banking planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*

Capital One Commercial & Energy Banking - March 29, 2024 at 10:58 AM



“ *Capital One Commercial & Energy Banking purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



Capital One Commercial & Energy Banking - March 29, 2024 at 10:58 AM

BG

“ *Bradford & Anselmo (Joe) GSD purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



Bradford & Anselmo (Joe) GSD - March 29, 2024 at 12:01 AM

TF

“ *The Lewis & Markette families purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



The Lewis & Markette families - March 28, 2024 at 10:11 PM

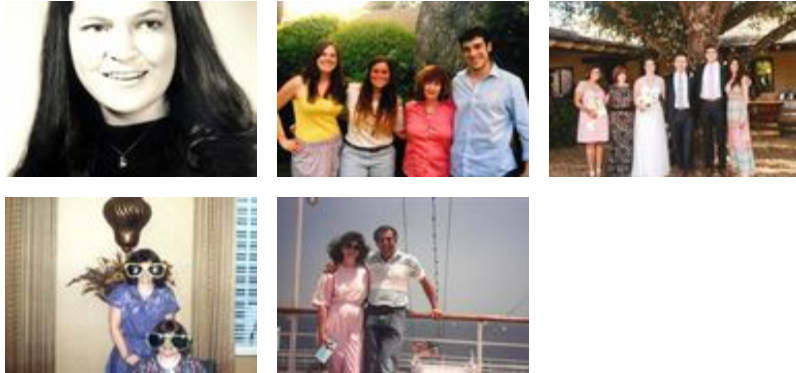
ST

“ *Anitra was a childhood friend and we spent many hours together at Girl Scouts and slumber parties. I think we had nearly every grade school class together and many of our high school classes as well. She also dropped by to see me when I lived in Corsicana, Texas. She was incredibly sweet and kind and I will miss her. Prayers for all of you. Sonja Brown Tate*

Sonja Brown Tate - March 28, 2024 at 09:59 PM



“ 14 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Dettling Funeral Home - March 28, 2024 at 12:43 PM

TS

“ *The Elkhatibs, Nicks, Banos & Schanzers purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Anitra Fields Elkhatib.*



The Elkhatibs, Nicks, Banos & Schanzers - March 28, 2024 at 12:26 PM

SC

“ *Our family's thoughts and prayers are with Yasmin and her family. Keeping you in our warmest thoughts as you navigate this difficult time — and wishing you hope and healing. Sallye and Scott Cielencki*

Sallye Cielencki - March 28, 2024 at 12:14 PM

MR

Epitome of motherhood. Symbol of passion. Will be missed. Deep condolences goes to our family

mo and randa - March 28, 2024 at 09:48 PM