



Rebecca Ann Townsend

October 31, 1946 - March 7, 2016

Rebecca Townsend, 69, of Houston passed away Monday, March 7, 2016. She was born October 31, 1946 in Pittsburgh, PA to Robert and Eleanor Townsend. She is survived by her sons, Douglas Kothe (Lori) and William Kothe (Diana); grandchildren, Michael, Jesse and Brianna; brother, James Alan Townsend (Barbara).

To think about mom, you have to think about everyone she has influenced.

-2 sons who she raised with love, who show their own love with extraordinary actions.

-Students who remain so loyal they take the time to become her guardians, teachers, and friends.

-Family able to drop everything to come and see her, knowing her well enough to do small things with her, like eat burgers and get manicures, the little things that always make her so happy.

-Strong, protective sentinels for friends that go over and above to see that mom is healthy, protected, safe, and happy.

The specific actions of each member on this list could be reviewed and recounted, but we would need the time to review her entire life.

You might be familiar with the song "Seasons of Love." It contemplates the question, "How do you measure a year?" The song wonders what milestones make up a life. Is it miles traveled? Dollars earned? Daylights and Sunsets?

The answer, ultimately, is to measure in love.

There is probably not a timeline long enough to measure mom's life in love. Her pride in her independence and ability to make her own choices only makes these connections so much more meaningful. Therefore, the pure amount of love she has given and received has made her eternal; enduring in the hearts of everyone she has graciously chosen to be a part of her life, her stories, and her adventures.

A Memorial Service celebrating Rebecca's life will be held Friday, March 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Dr., Houston, TX 77079.

In lieu of flowers please consider contributions in Rebecca's memory to the American Cancer Society at www.cancer.org .

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 11. 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Rebecca Ann Townsend*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Rebecca Ann Townsend*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Rebecca Ann Townsend*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Rebecca Ann Townsend*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.*



March 11, 2016 at 03:37 PM

NB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Becky's passing. She was an intelligent and witty person who was a delight to know as a friend. During her long illness, she showed extraordinary courage and grace. Her optimism and strength were amazing to those who knew her. Please accept my condolences for your loss.

Nancy Bowden - March 11, 2016 at 10:41 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.



March 10, 2016 at 06:43 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.



March 10, 2016 at 04:53 PM

MC

“ I knew Becky through water aerobics at the MAC. I always enjoyed and admired her spirit and enthusiasm about life. I'm so sorry to hear of her passing. Prayers for comfort in your great memories.

Mary Colemon - March 10, 2016 at 01:00 PM

BT

“ *Barbara T. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.*



Barbara T. - March 10, 2016 at 12:55 PM

DF

“ *Donald, Lisa, Delaney, and Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.*



Donald, Lisa, Delaney, and Family - March 10, 2016 at 12:13 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.*



March 10, 2016 at 10:28 AM

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karin - March 10, 2016 at 08:51 AM

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karin - March 10, 2016 at 08:47 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rebecca Ann Townsend.*



March 09, 2016 at 11:32 PM