



Patsy L. Westfall

June 16, 1935 - July 2, 2021

Patsy LaRue Gunter Westfall, “Bat” to her granddaughters, left us the morning of July 2, 2021 but she is alive with Christ today. Pat was born June 16, 1935 in Zephyr, Texas. Her loving parents were John Truman and Della Horner Gunter. Pat’s mother passed when she was five and her father remarried Ola May Scifres instantly increasing her siblings making for a house full of six kids who love each other still today. Pat’s youngest brother, Don Gunter said, “Pat raised us when mother was working three jobs.” Pat remained very close to her brother Travis through their lives and even lived six doors down from each other for the past four years.

Valentine’s Day, 1954 Pat married Dwayne Dee Westfall of Early, Texas. He was a navy man who served in Korea and Vietnam as a radioman and an air traffic controller. The military traveling lifestyle was perfect for Pat’s adventurous nature. She loved to go, see and experience as much as she could. Along this journey she made many lifelong friends. Patsy Williams of Stephenville and Sylvia Cox of Brownwood have been Patsy’s childhood friends since first grade. Brownwood was always home and where the family eventually planted.

Pat has one child; Truman Lloyd Westfall married to Susan Hilliard Westfall. The couple has two daughters Constance “Connie” Westfall and Colleen “Co” Westfall. With only a son to raise, these two granddaughters gave her a chance to play dress up. There were lots of matching bubble dresses and big hair bows. Pat did not want to be called the traditional Grandmother name, so

when the girls were young, she tried to get them to call her “Pat”. They could not pronounce it correctly and it came out “Bat” instead. She loved it and it stuck.

Pat was a member of St John’s Episcopal Church in her early adulthood but her membership letter remains in West Side Baptist Church, San Angelo, Texas.

Pat, with her best friend and sister-in-law Fay Gunter, owned the Browse A Bit Shop. This was the first tea room and gift shop business in Brownwood. Recently, Pat loved helping and supporting the Howard Payne University Volleyball program. She enjoyed working their BBQ fundraiser assemble lines and getting to know the HPU Volleyball Lady Jackets. Pat cheered for them and their head coach, her granddaughter, Coach Colleen Westfall. Sting ‘em! Granddaughter Connie Westfall was Pat’s best sidekick. Together they tried all the new area restaurants and bakeries, also shopped for all the newest fashions. Just a few weeks ago, for her 86th birthday, Pat asked for a pair of the popular red Keds tennis shoes, fashionable high waisted ripped skinny jeans and a stylish cropped denim jacket. Connie and Pat had a monthly appointment to get their nails done having a great time choosing from the newest colors. Pat and her granddaughters were very close and when they got together you could not stop the laughter, jokes and joy.

Pat was also a proud breast cancer survivor with the battle scars to prove it. She was not the crazy cat lady but always found a cat everywhere she lived and would promptly adopt it. Pat greeted everyone with, “Hey Kid!” and parted with “Love ya, bye!”

Pat is survived by her son Truman and wife Susan and two granddaughters Connie and Colleen Westfall; her brother Travis and wife Fay Gunter of Brownwood, Don and wife Charley Gunter of Brownwood, John Dee Wayne and wife Eva Gunter of Brownwood and sister-in-law Mona Hicks, brother-in-law Bill Brown and many cousins, nieces and nephews, friends and her Pomeranian Tinkerbell.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband Dwayne of 62 years and

numerous family members; Marjorie Scifres, Gayle Scifres, Bob Hicks, Wanda Brown, Billie Dee Wheat and so many others she treasured.

Pat's colorful memories will always be with us. Pat would love to share with us in this moment because she hated missing out on anything and she would make sure everyone is comforted.

Graveside services honoring Patsy Westfall's life will be held Tuesday morning, July 6, 2021 at 10 AM, at Eastlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Please do not send flowers. Instead, adopt a kitten, rescue a dog, call your family and friends, and be kind to your neighbors and strangers. If you would like to make a donation in Pat's Memory, please take into consideration Howard Payne University Volleyball Program.

Pat, we love you! And will miss you greatly!

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 6. 10:00 AM.

Eastlawn Memorial Park Cemetery