



## Aleta DeRusha McMahan

August 23, 2007

Aleta Rene DeRusha-McMahon, 41, a flight attendant, wife, and mother of two, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, Aug. 23, 2007, surrounded by her family and friends.

Visitation will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. today at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home in Corsicana. Funeral will be 2 p.m. Sunday at Griffin-Roughton Chapel in Corsicana. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Aleta "Rene" DeRusha-McMahon was born on Oct. 25, 1965, in Arlington to Martin DeRusha and Oleta DeRusha. She lived all but a few years in the Arlington/Grand Prairie area where she graduated from Sam Houston High School and later the University of Texas at Arlington with a bachelor's degree in advertising. Rene pursued her passion for travel and became a flight attendant where she had worked for the last 14 years with Continental Airlines. Rene met her true love of 14 years and married Bruce McMahon. Bruce and Rene went on to have two beautiful children, Brendon Daniel, 8, and Keely Rene, 6. Their family shares a special bond between them that has no boundaries. Like Rene they liked to travel and participate in youth sports as a family. She had a special place in her heart for children, which was evident in her support of the West Elementary PTA where she served as the membership chairman for the last two years. Rene was a very caring and loving person and anyone who knew her surely has been blessed.

Survivors include her husband, Bruce McMahon; children, Brendon and Keely; mother, Oleta DeRusha; father, Martin DeRusha Sr.; brother Dr. Martin ?Marty? DeRusha Jr.; stepsisters, Mindy Campbell and Lisa DeRusha; stepbrother, Allyn DeRusha; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Rene?s name to the American Heart Association.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Aleta DeRusha McMahon*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Brenden, I'm sorry about what happened to your mom, I hope you, Coach Bruce and Keely are O.K. My whole family is thinking of you and your family.*

*Jakari aka  
"J-Dogg" McDowell*

**Jakari McDowell** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Oleta and family. I am praying and thinking of you at this time and the months to come. Words cannot even come close to what you are going through at this time. You have to put your faith in God that he has a plan and a reason for this but the loss of her will be something you have to deal with everyday. Oleta, sorry I didn't make it to the funeral but as you know I lost my husband Ronnie 5 months ago and every day is still a struggle. I will be with you and all the family in my thoughts today.*

**Linda Lee** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Bruce, Brendan, Keely and the entire McMahon/DeRusha family, our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We were saddened to hear about Rene's passing. We were blessed to have had the opportunity to know Rene over these past few years and share with you in your loss. We have fond memories of Rene's smile and powerful cheers routing for Brendon from the side lines and encouraging Keely to stick with the cheers. Although, this is going to be our first year playing on different teams and not seeing you guys on a regular basis your family often comes up in conversation between Coach P & myself. You & Rene's thoughtful cards and gifts over the years have always meant alot and appreciated by us and we will miss her dearly. Go on knowing that we support you whole heartedly and are just a phone call away. if you every need anything. Now, it's time we cheer for Rene as she goes on to be with the Lord.

We love you guys, Coach P & Tracey  
God Bless

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**James & Tracey Paul** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ OLETA,  
MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AT THIS TIME.  
BY THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE AT THE FUNERAL HOME YOU  
COULD TELL THAT RENE' WAS REALLY LOVED. SHE HAS  
SUCH A BEAUTIFUL FAMILY THAT WILL REALLY MISS HER BUT  
I KNOW THAT THEY EACH WILL HAVE SPECIAL MEMORIES AS  
WILL YOU. IF YOU EVER NEED ME FOR ANY REASON DO NOT  
HESTITATE TO CALL ME OR IF YOU JUST NEED A FRIEND TO  
TALK TO ABOUT RENE'. MY LOVE GOES OUT TO YOU.

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**LINDA ELLIS BEDENBAUGH** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ *May the Word of God keep and comfort you during your time of loss.*

*Sincerely,*

*Andrea, Hunter & Noah Jackson*

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**Andrea Jackson** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *Rene will be dearly missed and may God bless her family in this time of need.*

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**Thomas and Alicia Turner & Children** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of loss.*

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**Mr & Mrs Dean Aehlert** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *My heart goes out to you and your children. Please do not hesitate to call on me for anything.*

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**Joyce Johnson** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Bruce-  
I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. I know that you cherished every moment you had with Rene. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help you. You and your children are in our prayers.*

*Karen*

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**Steve & Kim Curry** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ Dear Bruce and Family,  
We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Rene was a really great person and we enjoyed getting to know you guys during the football season. Our prayers are with you and the kids.  
The Valdez Family

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**James and Malinda Valdez** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family, and may God wrap his loving arms around you during this difficult time.

The Oliver Family

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**Joe & Rhonda Oliver** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ To the McMahan and DeRusha Family, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Rene is now with our heavenly Father. I pray that it brings some comfort to know you have your own special "Angel" watching over you. She will always be with you.

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**The Rollerson Family** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Rene was my first niece and lived close enough to me that I got to see her often and we bonded with her and her brother when they were small. I loved her spirited personality.

And especially the way she always said Aunt Chriss. Every time I called her I would say this is your favorite Aunt, then we would both laugh. She was very special to me and Uncle Don. I have some very special memories of her and we will miss her very much.

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**Aunt Chris and Uncle Don Holcomb** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ I only knew Rene for a year and she had a way of sucking you in. She was friendly, funny, sincere, helpful and trustworthy. My daughter and her daughter are good friends and Rene is the only person outside of my family that I trusted to care for her. I am going to miss her advice, her smile, her zest for life and her way of opening my eyes to new things. My 6 year old daughter says, "I am going to miss her loveness."

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**Hass, Tara, Hope, Hannah & Haley Caram** - August 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM