



Debbie Steele

July 19, 1960 - September 24, 2010

Debbie Steele, resident of Corsicana, passed away on Friday, September 24, 2010 at Baylor Medical Center in Dallas at the age of 50 years. She was born in Dallas on July 19, 1960 to Author Maxey and Geneva Wilson Maxey. Debbie has been the director at the Little Red School House in Corsicana for a number of years doing what she loved, caring for children. She was preceded in death by her father Author Maxey. Survivors include her husband Ricky Steele of Corsicana. Daughters: Alicia Steele Lee and her husband Mark of Mildred and Danielle Steele of Corsicana, and one grandson Landon Lee of Mildred. Her mother Geneva Phillips and grandmother Verna Wilson. Sisters and brother: Margie Andrew, Diana Williams and her husband Tommy, and Glen Maxey and his wife Alisha. She is also survived by her mother-in-law Gwen Steele of Pursley and a number of nieces, nephews, and other family members. Visitation will be Sunday evening from 6 – 8 p.m. at Griffin – Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Monday, September 27, 2010 at 3 p.m. in the Chapel at Griffin – Roughton Funeral Home with Chaplin Carey Sims officiating. Burial will follow at Hamilton – Beeman Cemetery in Retreat. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Westminster Presbyterian Church Child Services Department at 312 North 13Th Street Corsicana, Texas 75110

Tribute Wall



“ *Debbie Steele*

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“ *Ricky, Alicia, and Dee,*

Gracie and I got to talking about Mrs. Debbie Saturday, and Gracie said, "When I was sad and crying, Mrs. Debbie always let me come to the office and help her. She always made me feel better, and I love her." I know Debbie went out of her way to do this for every child that had a rough day or just needed a hug. We will miss her so much. We will keep your family in our prayers through this tough time. God Bless.

Alison Collins Jenkins - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Debbie was a caring selfless person who showed her love for children each day she was at Little Red. I know she will be missed greatly!*

Rachel Fuller - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Debbie was one of the most important early influences in my life. She watched over me for the first several years of my life and I have many fond memories with her, Ricky, Alicia, and Dee. Y'all were there for us in some of the hardest times early on. Debbie was like a second mom to me, she was a great woman and will be greatly missed. I only regret I didn't get to spend more time with her over the last several years. I love you all very much.*

D. J. Williams - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ We are so sorry for your loss.

Ron & Pat Lyle - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Mrs. Debbie i just wanna thank you for everyhting you have done in this community and letting me volunteer and help out with judy foster i appreciate it alot i made a mistake and now i feel like our friendship has disappeared i just want you and everybody else to know im sorry for what i did that was my mistake and im paying for the consequences now but i dont want nobody to feel sorry for me i just came by here to say goodbye and show my respects and god bless alicia and danielle

heather smitherman - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Debbie and I first met at Children's Medical Center in Dallas. We met in the ICU Family Waiting Room because both of our daughters were in ICU at the same time. When Caylen and I moved to Corsicana in '92, Debbie was the one who helped me get my bearings. She and I had a special bond. Not only because of Caylen and Danielle, but just because. Our daughters cheered together, shared B-day parties, and I also came to know Ricky, Alisha, and the whole family.

Debbie was a wonderful example of how you can have a good, full life inspite of illness. I know that she is going to be greatly missed by all. Please know that all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. Ricky, Alisha, and Danielle...God be with you, and keep you at this most difficult time.

Love to all, Cheriea

Cheriea Fields Hines - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ To the entire family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I have known Debbie for most of my life. She was a wonderful person and will be missed. My kids loved her at Little Red, as I did growing up. We will continue to pray for you all.
Lisa, Chris, Jacey, & Reagan

Lisa (Trent) Coston - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ What a wonderful woman we have lost. I only new her from the day care where my granddaughter went for several years. I would come in to pick up Delayna and she would be in the office with Mrs. Debbie. Sometimes she was in trouble but alot of times Debbie would just have her in there with her because she said she liked having her. Delayna is 8 now but she still remembers Mrs. Debbie. God Bless the family our prayers are with you at this time. Mona Gorden

Mona (Greene) Gorden - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Ricky, Danielle and Alicia, I am so very sorry to hear about Debbie. I only heard about her passing tonight. Please know that you all are in our thoughts and if there is anything we can do, we are just around the corner.

Cheryl Grounds - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Ricky, truley my prayers go out for you and your family in the time of sorrow. KNow that I'm here if you need someone to talk to or just a shoulder to lean on. Stay encouraged. Thanks, Martes

Martes Martin - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *Mark, Alicia & Landon,
We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Debbie. Please know that you have so many people that love you and are praying for your family during this difficult time.*

Cody & Ashley Hanna - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *We were so sorry to hear about your great loss, God has received a beautiful angel to watch over you all. There are no words to express how sorry we are for you all. Hold her precious memories close to your heart and know she will always be there. God Bless you all...*

Diane Douglas - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

OW

“ *Mrs. Debbie was a very loving, caring lady. We adopted a son that had a severe case of ADHD and inspite of her ailments, she continually cared for him. On many occasions he would be in her lap with her feeding him cheetos. She had a very sweet spirit and will be truly missed. Just remember to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Debbie, Rest in peace and to the family, God give you grace during this time of bereavement.*

The Williams'

Orlando & Stephanie Williams - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *To Ricky and your family, your thoughts and prayers are with me in your time of loss. Ricky, you know where I'm at, call me anytime when you can. I know things are probably busy for you right now, if you need anything just let me know! Love Ya,
Mandy*

Mandy Crocker - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Debbie was such a sweet lady, always positive no matter what. She will live on in you hearts. Alicia and Tiffany played soccer together many years ago, so hard to believe they are grown up now.

Debbie Coppock - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Ricky, Alicia and Danielle

We are so very sorry for your loss, Debbie was a good person. We have so many memories of when we lived across the street from you on W 8th ave. We would go over to your house and hang out after school with Alicia and Danielle and Debbie's was always so kind to my sisters and my family. She was truly a great person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of the family.

David, Janice, Shana, Monica and Angela
McCollum

Angela McCollum - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ My heart is very heavy now with the loss of one of my dearest friends. I loved her like a sister. We had the kind of friendship where we could go for weeks without talking and then pick up right where we left off. We shared many good times together and I miss her very much. I pray that God brings peace to you, Rickey, Alicia, Dee, Mark, and Landon. I know she will be watching over you for the rest of your days.

Debbie Armstrong - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ My thoughts & prayers are with each of you today & in the difficult days ahead. May the warm memories of the past bring you much comfort in the days ahead. Debbie was a very dear & sweet lady & will be missed by many. She always had a smile on her face no matter what struggles she was going through. She was truly a delight to work with at Medical Arts Clinic several years ago.

Sue Martin - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ I have known Debbie and Ricky for a long time. The best times were at Little Red where Beth loved Miss Debbie. No matter what was going on with Debbie's life, she always had a smile and a hug. We will miss you so much. You had a great influence on Beth and I thank you for it. My prayers to the family.

Cheryl Holloway Hollingsworth - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Today we will go and say good-bye to a dear friend. As I picked up the phone this morning on my way into the office, I realized my friend is gone and would not be answering anymore. She had many trials and struggles, but they are finally over. Through her pain and sleepless nights she would somehow produce a smile and a laugh. My friend will be greatly missed by not only my son and I, but by many many more.

Meshawn Miller - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Steele Family,
So sorry to hear of your loss.*

David

David Smith - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *I just couldn't believe it when I opened the newspaper yesterday. Debbie was such a special person. We worked together @ Medical Arts Clinic for a few years until she got really sick. Even when she didn't feel good, she could always make me feel better when I was having a bad day. She will greatly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family in this time of need. She fought a good fight and now she's won. There will be no more suffering for her.*

DANIELLE JENKINS RICHARDS - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *I am saddened to learn of Debbie's passing. I knew her briefly but have fond memories. My heart goes out to her family and friends. I hope that the memories you have give you peace in this time.*

Judy Torres-Barnes - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *I am saddened to learn of Debbie's passing. I knew her briefly but have fond memories. I hope that the memories shared by her family, will bring them peace now and in the future.*

Judy Torres-Barnes - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ *Your family is in our thoughts and prayers through this painful time.*

Amber Gunn - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ *I hope that you can find peace at this time. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Nancy*

Nancy Wilson - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ *Debbie Steele*

Chrystal Pittman - September 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM