



## Diana Wheelock

January 14, 1949 - January 7, 2023

Clara Diana Wheelock of Corsicana, Texas, passed away peacefully at her home on Saturday, January 7, 2023, just one week shy of her 74th birthday. Diana was born in Fort Worth, Texas on January 14th, 1949, to R. L. Wheelock Jr. & Clara Sansom Wheelock. She graduated from Corsicana High School in 1967 and went on to study at Arizona State University and the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Diana was a talented artist and a maker of fine jewelry. She spent many years volunteering at the Warehouse Living Arts Center and was active in the restoration of The Palace Theater. She was a plant lover and was gifted with a “green arm,” not just a green thumb. She was a lover of music and had many friends in the Texas Music community. Most of all, Diana was a lover of animals. She rescued countless dogs and gave generously to the Corsicana Animal Shelter and the Navarro County Humane Society.

Diana was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her son, Richard Sean Dodson, her daughter Hope Dodson DeChaume & Justin Bell, brother R.L. Wheelock III and wife Toni, brother Frank Wheelock and wife Patsy, her grandchildren, Avery DeChaume and fiancé David Rivera, Colton Dodson, Preston DeChaume, Jordan Dodson and her brand-new great-granddaughter, Landry Rian Rivera, who she was so very proud of. She is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends that lovingly called her “Mimi.” Also surviving her are her beloved dogs, Bailey, Murphy, Ila and Duchess.

Diana's family wishes to express their love and gratitude to Dot Burns and Roxanne Kilne who have spent many years as her faithful friends and helpers. Visitation will be held at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home in Corsicana on Sunday, January 15, 2023, from 3-5pm. Dinner reception and celebration of life following at Napoli's Sunday January 15, 2023 at 6:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to the Corsicana Animal Shelter, The Navarro County Humane Society or the charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 15. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
1530 N. 45th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110  
(903) 874-4774  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Diana Wheelock*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Growing up with Diana was always an adventure. From Miss Jewel's early dance class through Blue Birds, James Bowie School and on to Collins Junior High. She was willing to put up with my tag-a-long little sister, whenever we played at my house. She will be missed. Virginia Jones Tardy*

**Virginia Tardy** - January 15, 2023 at 09:36 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Diana Wheelock.*



January 12, 2023 at 07:02 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Diana Wheelock.*



January 12, 2023 at 06:28 PM

DB

“ Condolences to all of Diana's family - She was always a delight for the King/Dodson family when we visited Corsicana. Kindest regards, Diana (Bertha & Cecil, Robert King family) Braziel

Diana W Braziel - January 10, 2023 at 09:44 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Diana Wheelock.



January 10, 2023 at 07:32 PM

MT

“ Sean & Hope, I am so sorry for your loss. Your families are in my thoughts and prayers.



Morgana Horton Terry - January 10, 2023 at 09:51 AM

SD

Thank you Morgana

Sean Dodson - January 10, 2023 at 12:39 PM

JK

Hope and Sean I had no idea your mom and I shared the same birthday Jan 14th. I loved her painting my mural. Jeanne Kaster

Jeanne Kaster - January 20, 2023 at 05:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Diana Wheelock.*



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January 10, 2023 at 02:12 AM



“ *It should read Diana and I climbed trees, etc*

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**Julia Lang** - January 09, 2023 at 08:14 PM



“ *Diana climbed trees, climbed on the roof, pinched one another with our toes, were confirmed together, ran and rode all over their place near Fairfield, camped, swam, and formed cherished memories. I'm so sorry for your family's loss*

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**Julia Lang** - January 09, 2023 at 08:13 PM



*She loved you as do we! You've always been a part of the family!*

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**Sean Dodson** - January 10, 2023 at 12:36 PM

MI

“ How sad I have been since I learned of Diana’s death - and shocked!

*Diana and I grew up together in Corsicana, attended many childhood birthday parties together with Julie Lang, Emy Lou Settle, Rusty Gaston, Diane Brustein, Effie Georgas, Margaret Spikes, Bill Allison, Ty Willis, to name only a few I’ve seen in old photographs. I loved going to Hodge Podge Lodge with Diana and spending the night with her (but she would pinch me with her toes during the night!! 😭) and summer days in the Wheelock’s pool!!*

*Summer after summer we grew up together at Camp Wanica with several of the girls mentioned above and more lifelong friends. Lots of memories there!!*

*When my family started attending St. John’s Episcopal Church, Diana, Julie and I loved being in John Gravelle’s choir 😊 and endured confirmation classes together 😊.*

*I’ve gone on too long, but my mind is flooded with fun times growing up with Diana. Thank you for letting me share.*

*Hope and Sean, I will hold you in my heart and be so sorry to not be with you in Corsicana. Much love -  
Missy Ruth Ivey*

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**Missy Ruth Ivey** - January 09, 2023 at 07:52 PM

BF

“ Prayers from the CHS Class of 67 for Diana's family. She hosted a Sunday Breakfast for class reunions and helped in the planning of reunions. She will be missed. "Until we meet again."

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**Beverly Fitzgerald** - January 09, 2023 at 07:36 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diana Wheelock.*



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January 09, 2023 at 06:31 PM



“ *Truly so very sorry for your loss. Diana/ MiMi was a special lady that was so well liked. She will be missed by many. Prayers for all her family and friends as we all grieve together. So it's not Goodbye but see you later! RIP sweet Lady!!*  
*Judy & Bob Murphy*



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**Judy & Bob Murphy** - January 09, 2023 at 06:17 PM



“ *Rick and I took vacation time and went to Boulder Co and spent a few days at Diana's. May, 1970. I have a few pictures from that visit.*

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**John McAdams** - January 09, 2023 at 05:38 PM



*Love to see them John!*

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**Sean Dodson** - January 10, 2023 at 12:38 PM

DL

“ Hope, Shaun and family. I am sorry to hear about your mom. I was thinking about how fortunate for you guys that she got to see her first great grandchild. That will always be a great memory for you. Your family is in my prayers and I love all of you so much.



Debbie Lake - January 09, 2023 at 08:58 AM

SD

Thank you!

Sean Dodson - January 10, 2023 at 12:38 PM

CA

“ Big hugs and big prayers to the family of Diane 🙏💜



Cordelia Albritton - January 09, 2023 at 12:36 AM