



## Joyce Morris

December 26, 1934 - December 4, 2024

It's common today to have a celebration of life when a loved one transitions out of this world into the next. However, in the case of Joyce Allred Morris, her entire life was already a celebration of each precious moment. Joyce Morris made each day count. Always impeccably dressed, with a beautiful smile, Joyce had an infectious joy about her which spilled over to everyone in her path.

Joyce passed away December 4, 2024, just days away from her 90th birthday. Born in Corsicana December 26, 1934, to William Floyd and Susie Bell Allred. Proud of her early life being raised on the Cotton Mill block where her parents were employed. She graduated from Corsicana High School. In 1954 she married the love of her life, Carl Wayne Morris. Supporting one another in a career which ranged from Southern Pacific Railroad, Morris Electric, to residential development and home building. The couple raised four daughters.

In 1967 all their young lives would change as Joyce was diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkin's Lymphoma. The family was separated for her to receive treatments at MD Anderson in Houston, while children were raised by two sets of Grandparents. Little hope was given for survival.

The will to survive, to develop and show strength in the face of almost

insurmountable adversity, is what gave Joyce a voice for Joy. Friends and family recognized a courage and strength in her that became an inspiration for all to keep life in perspective. As years passed, she was also diagnosed with breast cancer, liver cancer and more challenges that she met with strength like no other. This was seen until her passing.

Not to be held back by health issues she created new businesses following her interior design dreams. She and sister-in-law Clydell Allred started PJ's Interiors in 1970's, Daughter Cindy & Joyce opened The Family Tree Interior design business and Tea Room downtown Corsicana in 1982. Finally, Estate Sales by Joyce Morris was her passion. She developed a reputation of honoring family heirlooms, their history, and gained the respect of many loyal clients. She actually worked on her own estate sale from a distance in the past few months.

Volunteering was also important in her life. Working closely with Navarro County Cancer society, American Business Women's Association, where she was selected Woman of the Year, and served many years on the board of Kinsloe House.

Joyce is preceded in death by husband Carl Wayne Morris, brother Floyd Earl Allred, sister-in-law Clydell Allred and nephew Mickey Allred. Survived by daughters Cindy Erwin (Joe), Becky Hollingsworth (Jack), Susan Miller (Vic), and Shannon Lagomarsino (James), Nephew Dennis Allred, and Niece Brigette Allred Franklin, 13 Grandchildren, 17 Great Grandchildren, 2 Great Great Grandchildren and one on the way.

The Family would like to thank caretakers Debra Sims, Larronda Lusk and New Century Hospice for the quality care given in these difficult times.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday December 9, 2024, 11:00am at Northside Baptist Church with a time of visitation before the service beginning

at 10:00am. Grandsons will be pallbearers.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

900 North 19Th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Northside Baptist Church  
2800 North Beaton  
Corsicana, TX 75110

## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Joyce Morris*



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - December 05, 2024 at 04:15 PM



“ *God bless Joyce and her four precious daughters. They each carry a little bit of Joyce in them...her spirit lives on through all of them. I will miss Joyce and always admire her ability to fight. Thank you, Joyce, for giving me my wife. I love you.*  
*Love,*  
*Your favorite son-in-law (James)*

James Lagomarsino - December 13, 2024 at 08:30 PM



“ *Judy Brown lit a candle in memory of Joyce Morris*



Judy Brown - December 09, 2024 at 06:35 PM

LN

“ I knew this very special lady for over 50 years, and she was a great friend. This pretty angel always had a smile and was a pure pleasure to be around, very positive, very kind, such a strong person. My heart goes out to all her family and friends.

Lowell Hudson AKA Nose - December 08, 2024 at 08:02 PM

DH

“ Don&Dolores Stevenson-Rodney&Tina Hiler purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joyce Morris.



Don&Dolores Stevenson-Rodney&Tina Hiler - December 07, 2024 at 11:21 AM

MM

“ Joyce always had a smile on her face no matter what! A very strong woman with a heart of gold. Thank you for your advice, help and friendship. Fly high!

Mike and Marilyn - December 06, 2024 at 10:29 PM

NT

“ My goodness, I am saddened to hear the news of Joyce's passing. She was a beautiful soul and lovely lady. I enjoyed working with her on selling family heirlooms several years ago. What a dear, sweet person she was. My heartfelt condolences and may the peace and comfort of our Savior surround you all in this difficult time.



Noel N Templer - December 06, 2024 at 02:56 PM

JR

“ Both Joyce and Husband Carl Wayne were classmates at CHS? We shared Friend for many years, and I will miss greatly our friendship!

*Jack Rawson CHS Class of 1951*

Jack Rawson - December 06, 2024 at 01:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joyce Morris.

December 06, 2024 at 12:38 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Joyce Morris.



December 06, 2024 at 12:38 PM

FS

“ From Dwane and Tammy Slate purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joyce Morris.



From Dwane and Tammy Slate - December 06, 2024 at 11:43 AM

MM

“ Mike and Cathy (Watkins) Moody purchased the *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* for the family of Joyce Morris.



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**Mike and Cathy (Watkins) Moody** - December 06, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joyce Morris.

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December 06, 2024 at 09:05 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Joyce Morris.



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December 06, 2024 at 09:05 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joyce Morris.

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December 05, 2024 at 11:31 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joyce Morris.



December 05, 2024 at 11:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joyce Morris.

December 05, 2024 at 07:18 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Joyce Morris.



December 05, 2024 at 07:18 PM



“ Natalie and Andy Irwin purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Joyce Morris.



**Natalie and Andy Irwin** - December 05, 2024 at 01:39 PM

LP

“ *Luann (Slate) Pelletier purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joyce Morris.*



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**Luann (Slate) Pelletier** - December 05, 2024 at 12:58 PM

LP

“ *Heaven has a new Angel. Difficult to lose sweet Joyce, but I find strength in knowing she is with her heavenly father and others that she loved so much. She was "one of a kind" and provided me strength and support through challenging times. My prayers and heart are with the family. What a lady through and through. Love you all.*



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**Luann (Slate) Pelletier** - December 05, 2024 at 12:32 PM

PS

“ *I am so sorry to learn that Joyce has gone to her heavenly home; she will certainly be missed. She had a lovely personality and beautiful smile. May the Holy Spirit bring comfort and peace to her family during this difficult time of grief.*  
*Patricia Stone-Gullatt*

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**Patricia Stone-Gullatt** - December 05, 2024 at 12:22 PM

JS

“ *Long and beautiful life! Very special Lady!*

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**Joan Summitt** - December 05, 2024 at 11:00 AM

PK

“ *Loss of many years of experience with antique values. Thanks for helping me. Rest in peace* ”



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**Patricia Kelly** - December 05, 2024 at 10:37 AM