



## Paula Gillen

October 3, 1952 - January 2, 2023

Paula Wheat Gillen was born on October 3, 1952 to G.R. and Patsy Wheat. She was a sister to Nancy Wright, Gary Wheat, and La Claire Diamond. She grew up in Gatesville, Texas where she graduated and went on to attend Sam Houston State University as well as Tarleton State University. Paula dedicated most of her life to being a mother to her three daughters, Shelby Briggs, Stacy Cook, and Steely Bray. Aside from being a mother, she was also a loving wife to her husband, Paul Gillen. Paula was known as “Mimi” to her many grandkids. Paula loved being a grandmother and spent most her days with the kids around, always having a full house. In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, quilting, gardening, and painting. Paula also found passion in antiques, owning an antique mall in downtown Corsicana for 14 years.

Paula was kind, generous, loving, and selfless. She cared for many and enjoyed being surrounded by friends and family. Paula practiced a strong faith throughout her life and found peace through God in her final days.

She is survived by her husband of 20 years Paul Gillen; daughters and sons in laws; Chad and Shelby Briggs, Marvin and Stacy Cook, Robert and Steely Bray; step-sons and daughter in laws: John Paul and Angela Gillen, Heath and Tiffany Gillen, and Clay Gillen; brother and sister in law Gary and Teresa Wheat; sisters and brother in-laws Doyce and Nancy Wright, and Steve and La Claire Diamond; Grandchildren Tatum, Reece, and Gentry Briggs; Belton

and Barron Armstrong; Brint, Devan, Corben Bray; Elli Bray; Morgan Martin, Miller and Judson Cook; Bryson, Tyler, Jady, Hannah, Owen, Gunner, and Phoenix Gillen; Great- Grandchildren Brian, Samuel, and Caleb Martin; numerous nieces and nephews.

# Cemetery Details

## Rose Hill Cemetery

300 Rose Hill Road  
Blooming Grove, TX 76626

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service at Graveside

JAN 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Paula Gillen*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *I am so very sorry! I knew Paula for many years working at the State Home, as well as her mother and, of course, Paul as well. She was one of the sweetest, most beautiful ladies I ever met. Prayers 🙏🙏🙏 for all of her family! Such a great loss.*

**Phyllis Ochs** - January 09, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 07, 2023 at 07:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 07, 2023 at 09:52 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 07, 2023 at 12:16 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 05, 2023 at 10:25 PM



“ *I am deeply sorry to read of Paula's death. She was a wonderful lady and good friend in my past. She was fun and had the greatest smile. I admired her very much. Vicky Prater*

**Vicky Prater** - January 05, 2023 at 08:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 05, 2023 at 03:47 PM



“ *James Dunahoo, classmate of "71. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Paula Gillen.*



**James Dunahoo, classmate of "71.** - January 05, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Paula Gillen.*



January 04, 2023 at 09:39 PM