



## Joann Cornelius Willms

March 27, 1939 - February 4, 2013

Joann Cornelius Willms of El Campo died February 4, 2013 at the age of 73. She was born on March 27, 1939 in Mt. Calm, TX to the late Dick and Novell Been Cornelius. She taught in the ECISD for 30 years and was a member of the Retired Teachers Assoc.

She is survived by her son Cord Willms of El Campo, her former husband Fritz Willms of Columbus, and many aunts and uncles. She was preceded in death by her parents and son Dewight Willms.

Visitation will be 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm Thursday, February 7, 2013, at Triska Funeral Home. A Memorial Service will be held 10:00 am Friday, February 8, 2013, at Church of Christ with Rev. John McCord officiating. Private graveside services will be at 4:00 pm Friday at the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Columbus. Donations in memory of Joann Willms may be made to American Diabetes Assoc., Church of Christ, or American Heart Assoc.

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ We were thinking about you and searched the web and found your mother's obituary and wanted to send our condolences.

Darby & Biddie Miller - Alexandria, LA - Friends - March 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ So sorry to hear about your mom. We hope you are doing well not only now but all the time. We wish you the best.  
God's Speed!

Ben and Colette Matthews - Perryton, TX - Friend - February 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ To the family to let you know I am sorry for your loss, I worked with Joann at Myatt Elementary for many year. May she rest in peace.  
Linda Kram

Linda Kram - El Campo, TX - Friend - February 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“ Cord, So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you. Don't forget to enjoy the memories!!

Gayle Johnson - February 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Cord and Fritz, My heart aches for you both and for all that knew and loved Joann. There's nothing I can say to ease your pain, but please know I send you both love and prayers. I have no words to describe the beauty that Joann possessed, but I can say I have never met anyone like her. I know you both will miss her terribly, but remember she and Mama C are watching over you.

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**Cindy Nohavitza - San Antonio , TX - Friend** - February 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Cord,  
I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Crystal Jones Puryear

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**Crystal Jones Puryear - Friend** - February 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear Cord and Mr. Willms,  
How will anyone ever fill her shoes? or should I say heels? She was always so elegantly dressed and everyone loved her heels. Joann was an icon here in El Campo and was a loving teacher and friend. Mama C has welcomed her home now. May you find strength in all your love and memories. We will all miss her!! She made a difference in so many lives.  
God Bless,  
Sherry Krpec Pietsch

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**Sherry Krpec Pietsch - El Campo, TX - friend** - February 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

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**Tiffany, Troy, Cole & Camie Riha - El Campo, TX** - February 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Cord,  
*My heart is heavy for you and your dad. Please know you have many friends that care and are praying for your family. May God provide strength and peace during this difficult time and the days ahead.*  
*With all my love,*  
*Shelly*

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**Shelly Ray - Greenville , MS - friend** - February 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Cord - *Your Mom was a special lady and I am so sorry for your loss. I have many wonderful memories of her and I always enjoyed spending time with her when I was younger. Sending many prayers your way.*

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**Caroline Yates Stussie - Rocky Mount, NC - friend** - February 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Cord,  
*I meet your mom about a year ago. I am the daughter in law of Charles Osina Jr. Aka daddy to me.. Daddy had lung cancer so we went to get blood drawn every Friday and we would all sit around visiting each other I liked calling it our coffee time. Your mother was a beautiful women inside and out. She spoke about you often. She was so proud of you!! I will miss your mom!!*

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**Kelly Jo Osina - El campo, TX - Friend** - February 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Cord,  
*You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I love you.....*

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**Stephanie M Mallette - Cleveland, MS - Friend** - February 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Cord & family....My sympathy goes out to you & your family on the loss of your Mother. She was a very sweet lady & will be missed by everyone. I spent many Friday's sitting next to her at Dr. Ansari's office while we were both getting our infusions. I enjoyed visiting with her while we were there. My thoughts & prayers are with you & your family at this sorrowful time. With sincere sympathy, Delores Quarles..Edna, Tx...Origionally from El Campo, Tx.

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**Delores Quarles - EDna, TX - Friend** - February 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Cord,  
We are so sorry to hear of your loss, Ou hearts go out to you and your dad at this time and in the days ahead. May wonderful memories bring you comfort. We hve some really great memories of hunting with your Mom and Dad many years ago, We will always cherish the time spent with your Mom.  
With Deepest Sympathy,  
John & Susan Halamicek

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**Susan & John Halamicek** - February 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Cord - I continue to pray for you and your dad. May God bless you both and comfort you during this time. Sending you love and prayers.

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**Ronda Koehler - Lockhart, TX - Friend** - February 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM