



Judy Anne Dore Waligura

July 15, 1942 - July 1, 2025

Judy Anne Doré Waligura passed away on July 1, 2025, just two weeks shy of her 83rd birthday. Born on July 15, 1942, in Crowley, Louisiana, she was the second child of A.B. Doré, Jr. and Phyllis Elliot Doré. She grew up in Crowley alongside her five siblings, and her deep love of learning led her to earn a bachelor's degree in education from St. Thomas University in Houston and a master's degree from the University of Houston–Victoria.

In 1961, Judy met the love of her life, Randolph “Randy” Waligura, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada, Texas. They married on August 14, 1965, as Randy was beginning graduate studies in architecture at Texas A&M University. Judy embraced the Aggie spirit wholeheartedly, and she and Randy spent a decade in College Station, where they began their family and built lasting friendships.

A lifelong educator, Judy and her family moved to El Campo, Texas, in 1975, where she taught in the El Campo Independent School District until her retirement. Her service extended far beyond the classroom — she generously dedicated her time, energy, and resources to her church and community. She served as president of the ECISD School Board and was actively involved in Continuing Christian Education, the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo's International and School Art Committees, the El Campo Heritage Center, Catholic Daughters of America, and many other charitable efforts. She had a

deep appreciation for the arts, a competitive spirit at the bridge table, and a heart for helping others. She cherished her Cajun heritage and proudly passed its culture and traditions on to those around her.

She is survived by her devoted husband of nearly 60 years, Randy Waligura; daughter, Tracie Waligura Ephross and husband Joel of Bellaire, Texas; son, Chad Alan Waligura of El Campo, Texas; her siblings Diane MacDonell and husband Dennis “Mac” of Amelia Island, Florida; Al Doré and wife Mona of Crowley, Louisiana; Elliot Doré and wife Sandy of Crowley, Louisiana; and Phyllis Owens and husband Ronnie of Crowley, Louisiana; as well as her brother-in-law Jerome Waligura and wife Sandy of Garwood, Texas. She also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends. Judy was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, in-laws, and her sister, Hilda Doré.

Judy was a force of nature — wise, intelligent, compassionate, and unafraid to speak her mind. She never met a stranger and always seemed to know just what to say and do. Her boundless energy, warmth, and spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Visitation will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 19, 2025, at St. Philip Catholic Church in El Campo, Texas. A CDA rosary will be held at 9:30 a.m., followed by a Memorial Mass at 10:00 a.m., officiated by Father Dalton Ervin. Judy will be laid to rest privately in El Campo.

In lieu of flowers, and in honor of Judy’s lifelong dedication to helping others with special needs, memorial contributions may be made to her most recent philanthropic passion, Able Outdoors (a 501(c)(3) organization, <https://ableoutdoors.net>), or to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Memorial Park

1617 South Mechanic Street
El Campo, TX 77437
(979) 543-3770

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 19. 9:00 AM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
El Campo, TX 77437
<http://stphilipapostle.org/>

Catholic Daughter Rosary

JUL 19. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Memorial Service

JUL 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BF

“ When I met Judy I was a freshman at Crowley high school 1958.... Always saw her as a wonderful lady...she was older by a couple of years1962 was the last time we spoke at Lou’s drive-in... I have often wondered about what happened to Judy.her advice that night was “Bobby, you can do better!”.... That After looking at my date! Judy I did do better. De you on the other side of this system ... Thank you !!!

Bob Finley - August 09, 2025 at 02:40 PM

NA

“ Nutrien A. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.

Nutrien A. - July 18, 2025 at 04:46 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.



July 16, 2025 at 10:08 AM

LM

“ Love Ranch, Pete Medina purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.



Love Ranch, Pete Medina - July 15, 2025 at 03:57 PM

PM

“ *Pete Medina lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura*



Pete Medina - July 15, 2025 at 03:44 PM

DA

“ *Doris Adamcik lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura*



Doris Adamcik - July 12, 2025 at 01:07 PM

SB

“ *Susan Stogsdill Boessling purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.*



Susan Stogsdill Boessling - July 11, 2025 at 02:51 PM

SC

“ Randy, Tracie and Chad, I was so saddened to hear of Judy's passing. You have my heartfelt sympathy at this time. Judy and my mother played bridge and Mah Jongg together and I really looked forward to visiting with her when mother hosted the club at her house. Judy always got a cup of coffee when she arrived and we'd chat in the kitchen. She was a devout, Catholic woman of faith and I admired this about her. I hope the Lord will grant you His loving comfort and I pray He will hold Judy in His eternal embrace. Bless you.



Sandra Cranek - July 10, 2025 at 08:15 PM

SH

I met Judy when I first began teaching in El Campo. She was an inspiration and encourager to me. - May you all feel God's loving presence of comfort.

Sylvia (& Jimmy) Huey - July 11, 2025 at 05:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.



July 10, 2025 at 04:13 PM

CR

“ Clarence & Judy Rohan lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura



Clarence & Judy Rohan - July 10, 2025 at 09:38 AM

JS

“ Thoughts and prayers with Randy and family.

Jeanne Shirey-Lord - July 08, 2025 at 10:08 PM



“ Divine Light was purchased for the family of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.



July 08, 2025 at 10:05 PM

LS

“ Leslie Marie Schroder lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura



Leslie Marie Schroder - July 08, 2025 at 12:56 PM

LG

“ Love the Greers purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.



Love the Greers - July 08, 2025 at 12:47 PM

LG

“ Love the Greers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Anne Dore Waligura.

Love the Greers - July 08, 2025 at 12:47 PM

MD

“ Our prayers and condolences are with family Maria Delgado



María Delgado - July 08, 2025 at 11:40 AM

VQ

“ My thoughts & prayers are with you all that God will Comfort you in your loss. God bless you & your loved ones! RIP Judy ☐! She will be dearly missed by everyone who knew & loved her!
Vicky Blair Ustynik Quijas



Vicky Quijas - July 08, 2025 at 10:34 AM

VQ

“ Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura



Vicky Quijas - July 08, 2025 at 10:27 AM

JA

“ *Johnson Rae Ann lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura*



Johnson Rae Ann - July 07, 2025 at 08:18 PM

JA

“ *Condolences to the family. I sure miss my neighbor and her daily visits. RIP Judy!*

Johnson Rae Ann - July 07, 2025 at 08:16 PM

BS

“ *I was fortunate and blessed to know Judy Waligura. I knew her as a woman who cared deeply for others. Judy was a volunteer for CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) who loved on and spoke up for foster children. She was a fierce advocate. Condolences to her family.*

Beryl Southall - July 07, 2025 at 07:15 PM



“ *Janet Freeman lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura*



Janet Freeman - July 07, 2025 at 05:03 PM

IR

“ So sorry to hear about Judy's passing. We will certainly miss her sitting behind us at church every Saturday evening. Our condolences to Randy and all her family and may she rest in God's eternal peace.

Irma Rocha - July 07, 2025 at 04:36 PM

SS

“ Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura



Sandra Stary - July 07, 2025 at 04:22 PM

HC

“ Holly Waligura Class lit a candle in memory of Judy Anne Dore Waligura



Holly Waligura Class - July 07, 2025 at 04:06 PM