



Verna Joyce Roye

September 2, 1952 - October 22, 2024

Verna Joyce Roye was born September 2, 1952 in Tomball, Texas, and died October 22, 2024 at her home in Richmond, Texas. Verna was preceded in death by her parents Richard and Billie Jean Roye of El Campo, Texas, and brother Lawrence Roye of Austin, Texas.

Verna graduated from El Campo High School and earned a Secondary Education degree from Texas Women's University. She dedicated more than 30 years to educating students in all primary and secondary grade levels and subjects. Her career spanned public and private education, including time with Fort Bend, Needville and Columbia-Brazoria ISDs.

Verna loved seeing her students grow and transform, especially during the middle school years. Her true gift was in special education, where she helped students with dyslexia learn to read. She told her students it was not their fault they could not read; it was the school's fault for not teaching in a manner that they could learn. Helping students learn to read and increase their confidence was her gift to humanity.

An avid gardener, Verna inherited her Grandmother Green's green thumb and loved growing many varieties of flowering plants. Throughout her life she could often be found outdoors, enjoying the beauty of God's creation. Verna was also an avid photographer and loved making beautiful scrapbooks of family photos

In May of 2022, she married her longtime friend Lynn Crawford. From that moment on, the two were off on one adventure after another, traveling extensively throughout the Western United States, Alaska, and Hawaii. Her favorites of their trips together were to the redwoods of Northern California and the aspens of Lake City, Colorado, finding home whenever they parked their Airstream Flying Cloud.

Verna is survived by her husband William Lynn Crawford of Richmond, Texas; brothers Joe Roye of Beaumont, Texas, Bobby Roye and partner Pat Coffman of El Campo, Texas, and Ricky Roye of Waco, Texas; sister in law Debbie Roye of Austin, Texas; sister Billie Faye Moran and husband Dale of Eddy, Texas; daughter Jennifer Joyce Bard and grandchildren Ella, Hendrix and Ellington of Fulsher, Texas; son John Jacob Bard of Guy, Texas; stepdaughter Jenna Taylor and husband Richard of Houston; step-grandchildren Trip and Annabelle Taylor and a very large extended family.

Verna was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in December of 2016 and the excellent care provided by the doctors and staff at M. D. Anderson Hospital gave her many additional joyful and fulfilling years.

The family will accept visitors at Triska Funeral Home in El Campo, Texas, from 5 to 7 pm on November 1, 2024. A memorial service will be held at 10 am on November 2, 2024. In lieu of flowers please donate to your local schools in her honor.

I believe Kris Kristofferson said it best when he penned the words "Loving her was easier than anything I'll ever do again."

Previous Events

Family Will Receive Visitors

NOV 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
(979) 543-3681
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

Memorial Service

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SC

“ *Billie Faye and all the family, I send my heartfelt sympathy to you with the loss of sweet Verna. I hope memories of happier times will comfort you in the days ahead. May she rest in peace.* ”



Sandra Cranek - November 04, 2024 at 10:49 PM

LF

“ *Love ~ Jason & Diana Farmer Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Verna Joyce Roye.* ”



Love ~ Jason & Diana Farmer Family - November 01, 2024 at 09:01 AM

LF

“ *Love ~ Jason & Diana Farmer Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Verna Joyce Roye.* ”

Love ~ Jason & Diana Farmer Family - November 01, 2024 at 09:01 AM

RE

“ *Rhonda Emonds lit a candle in memory of Verna Joyce Roye* ”



rhonda emonds - October 26, 2024 at 12:40 AM

BB

“ *Brenda Beisel lit a candle in memory of Verna Joyce Roye*



Brenda Beisel - October 25, 2024 at 08:21 AM

DS

“ *Billie Faye, I'm so sorry for your loss.*

Diane Stewart - October 24, 2024 at 10:17 PM

AM

“ *Verna and the Royes lived across the road from me when I was a kid. She was always very sweet and friendly. Even though she was a few years older than me, she would frequently play with me and the other younger neighborhood kids. I have very fond memories of her. My condolences to the family at this difficult time.*



Andrea McCann - October 24, 2024 at 04:35 PM

VQ

“ *Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Verna Joyce Roye*



Vicky Quijas - October 24, 2024 at 03:28 PM

VQ

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



Vicky Quijas - October 24, 2024 at 03:27 PM

KH

“ Kathy And Larry Hlavaty lit a candle in memory of Verna Joyce Roye



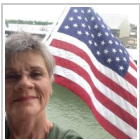
Kathy and Larry Hlavaty - October 24, 2024 at 08:50 AM

SC

“ Billie Faye and all of Verna's family, I was so saddened to hear of her passing. You have my heartfelt sympathy at this time. I hope memories of happier times will comfort you in the days ahead. May she rest in peace.

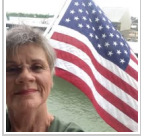


Sandra Cranek - October 23, 2024 at 10:36 PM



“ Billie Faye, I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers
May God give you comfort

Raunda Janssen - October 23, 2024 at 09:49 PM



“ *Raunda Janssen lit a candle in memory of Verna Joyce Roye*



Raunda Janssen - October 23, 2024 at 09:44 PM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in memory of Verna Joyce Roye*



David & Charlene Linhart Smith - October 23, 2024 at 06:24 PM

JS

“ *Julie Strnadel sent a virtual gift in memory of Verna Joyce Roye*



Julie Strnadel - October 23, 2024 at 04:59 PM