

JULIE GOODMAN OBITUARY



Julie Beard Goodman, 56, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, following a courageous health battle. She was born on October 2, 1965, in Houston, Texas.

Julie graduated from Spring Branch High School, Houston, Texas in 1984 where she played varsity volleyball, was the mascot for the cheerleading team, and served on the yearbook

staff and student council. She received her Bachelor of Science in Curriculum and Instruction in Elementary Education at Texas A&M University, Class of 1988, where she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority.

She began her teaching career in Katy, Texas and followed that with careers in non-profit work and sales. Julie returned to her love of teaching and spent the last 11 years loving on her students at St. Mark Lutheran School where she was adored and admired by her students, families, and numerous teacher friends for her devotion to the children, her calling, and for her wit and wisdom. Julie was grounded by her faith in Jesus Christ. She was compassionate, loved nature, and was creative. She loved art, books, country music and serving others. She was admired by all who knew her. Her deep compassion for not only people but also animals and had many beloved pets during her lifetime. Many special memories were made with her family and friends watching the beautiful sunsets at her family farm in Brushy Creek, Texas. Julie was also a talented artist, using her creativity to inspire many people. Every year she looked forward to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo where she served on the School Art Committee for many years. She also volunteered for Covenant House, which was an enlightening experience. Julie put her faith first in all endeavors.

Preceding her in death were her parents Kenneth Beard and Julia Helen Beard Lawrence and her in-laws Bruce and Charlotte Goodman. Julie is survived by her loving husband of 26 years, John

Goodman; her devoted children Jack Victor of Nacogdoches, Texas and Lena Ann of College Station, Texas; her caring sisters Denice Hoeksema and Rick of Detroit Michigan and Dayna Beard-Isensee and her husband James of Austin, Texas; her sisters-in-law, Jill Goodman of Racine, Wisconsin and Nancy Abicht and her husband Don of South Lake Tahoe, California; her brother-in-law Bruce Goodman of Reno, Nevada; her nieces and nephews Diana and Aaron Hoeksema, Ava and Ramon Isensee; Haley Hancock; Allison Fenneman and her husband Scott; her dear relatives, and numerous lifelong friends and colleagues. Julie will be deeply missed by all whose lives she touched.