



## Phyllis Ann Austin

October 17, 1942 - January 24, 2022

Phyllis Ann Austin, 79 years old was escorted by our Heavenly Father to his Glorious Kingdom on Monday January 24, 2022, at 7:20 am. She was born in Jonesboro Arkansas on October 17, 1942, to Leon and Elsie Austin. Her family relocated to Lansing Michigan where she was raised and later raised her own family. Phyllis never missed an opportunity to “lovingly” mother the kids in the neighborhood, friends of her children, nieces, or nephews. Her care for others extended to the kids at the schools she volunteered at over the years, or whoever else crossed her path! She offered advice, comfort, encouragement, and a listening ear when someone needed it. Phyllis loved being a “Welcome Volunteer” at her home church, Grace Bible Church of Houston. She was an original “Mama Bear” wherever she went.

Phyllis’s greatest legacy was the children she raised to love the Lord, to forgive friend and foe, to be kind and loving to others, to be honest hard workers, and never pass judgement on those less fortunate. She encouraged her children to never be afraid to try new things. Her coin phrase “Can’t never did anything” was a reminder to many that it was better to try than not do anything at all. Often you could find her dancing to country music with her family and friends as this was a “Family Tradition.”

Phyllis is survived by her siblings Sister Glenda Morehouse (Terry), Brother Bob Austin (Jolene), Sister Kathy Brown (Kevin), Brother Christopher

Beauchamp (Kim), Sister Susan Elliot (Gary), Brother Leon Austin (Sharron); her children and their families: Son Frank Gargett Jr, Daughter Annette Gargett (Rene), Son Rick Gargett, Daughter Carolyn Neal (Kevin), Daughter Angela Shattuck (Tim), and Son William Ward, and second husband and friend John Ward. Her Grand children: Matthew Shattuck (Jessica), Paige Bush (Evan), Derek Gargett (Paige), Justin Gargett, and their mother Sandy, Ryan Gargett and his mother Michelle, Hanah Neal Hockley (Wyatt), Rachel Neal, Jacob Eissler, and graciously “adopted” by Hanah’s best friend Tana as her grandmother as well. Also her Great Grandchildren Connor and Mason of Matt’s family, Nyla, Avery, and Cameron, Charlotte, Oliva Story of Paige’s family and one on the way from Derek’s family.

She was relieved of her suffering and reunited in a glorious celebration with her Father Leon Austin (Kay), Mother Elsie Boyer Williams, Brother LV Austin and wife Jean, Sister Patricia Thompson, Brother Johnny Beauchamp, Grandsons Daniel and Timothy Hernandez, Granddaughter Ashlee Gargett, her first husband and friend Frank Gargett, Son in Law Kevin Neal, nephews Jack Jr, Darrin, Shawn, Jason, niece Deana, great- niece Santonka, great nephew Josh, Aunts, Uncles, and friends. Phyllis considered herself blessed to have such a wonderful loving family of siblings (in-laws), children (in-laws), grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, and even grand dogs!

Our mother was an original and will never be forgotten by those who knew her. We love you Mom, mother, sis, sister, Gigi Phyllis, Aunt Phyll, Miss Phyllis, even “Old Bat” (Only by Kevin). We are rested in assurance that you are at peace in heaven with our Loving Redeemer and we will be re-united with you at our appointed time. Until then... Rest in Heaven Mom, Phyllis Ann Austin.

Memorial will be held at Mill Creek Baptist Church 12317 Upper Manatee

River Road, Bradenton Fl 34212 February 13, 2022, at 2:00pm

Arrangements are under the care of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. located at 135 N Lime Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34237. 941-365-1767 [www.gendronfuneralhome.com](http://www.gendronfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## **A Celebration of Life**

FEB 13. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Mill Creek Baptist Church  
12317 Upper Manatee River Road  
Bradenton, FL 34212

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phyllis Ann Austin*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Phyllis Ann Austin*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Donnie & Judy lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Ann Austin*



**Donnie & Judy** - February 13, 2022 at 01:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Austin.*



February 12, 2022 at 01:30 PM

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“ From - The Feeley Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Phyllis Ann Austin.



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**From - The Feeley Family** - February 08, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Austin.



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February 07, 2022 at 09:22 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Austin.



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February 02, 2022 at 06:20 PM

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“ Neal Family, Keith, Wendy, Madison, Harper purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Phyllis Ann Austin.



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**Neal Family, Keith, Wendy, Madison, Harper** - February 02, 2022 at 05:25 PM

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“ *FIRST CORINTHIANS*

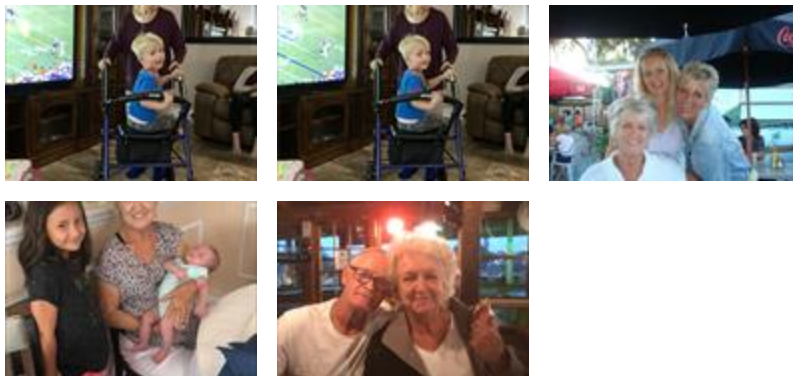
*Love is patient, love is kind.  
It does not envy, and it does not boast.  
Love is not proud, love is not rude.  
Love is not self-seeking,  
love is not easily angered,  
and love keeps not record of wrongs.  
Love does not delight in evil,  
but rejoices with the truth.  
Love always protects,  
always trusts, always hopes,  
always perseveres.  
And now these three remain,  
faith, hope and love.  
But the greatest of these is  
Love . . .*

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**Angela** - January 31, 2022 at 07:40 PM

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“ *5 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Angela Shattuck** - January 31, 2022 at 04:27 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Angela Shattuck - January 31, 2022 at 04:25 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Angela Shattuck - January 31, 2022 at 04:23 AM

KB

“ My Beautiful sister Phyllis. She was our caring, giving, loving, Matriarch of our family. Had a hand in raising all her sibling and we are better people for it. Missing you already sister, Rest painfree and rejoice in the reunion with our family . ❤️



Kathy Brown - January 30, 2022 at 09:39 PM

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“ Angela Shattuck (Daughter lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Ann Austin



Angela Shattuck (Daughter - January 30, 2022 at 06:50 PM

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“ I have known and loved your mom since I was 4yrs old. I will always remember her laughter and that warm heartfelt smile she shared with everyone she cared about!!

Love and prayers to the whole family💕

Love Tasha

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**Tasha Dack** - January 24, 2022 at 11:37 PM

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I never stopped loving your Mom. She always was kind and caring. A down to earth, salt of the earth, kind of woman. Our sincerest condolences.

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**Violet Smith** - January 30, 2022 at 11:30 PM

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I always enjoyed the fun chats we had at our grandson Ryan's baseball games through the years.

Pat Garrison

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**Pat Garrison** - February 03, 2022 at 06:38 PM