



Debra Gentry Ballard
December 20, 1950 - January 11, 2024

Celebrating the Life of

Debra Gentry Ballard

Thursday, January 18, 2024 10:00 a.m.

Broussard's Chapel

Beaumont, Texas

Pastor Scooter Wenner

"Just As I Am"

by Worship Initiative & Robbie Seay

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Family Remembrances

"The Old Rugged Cross"

by Alan Jackson

Message

Closing Prayer

"Make It With You"

by Bread



Debra Gentry Ballard, 73, of Beaumont, died Thursday, January 11, 2024. She was born on December 20, 1950, to Janet Wilson Gentry and James Gentry, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

She and her husband, Sonny, got married after just 9 days together and built that into a beautiful life together for 53 ½ years. Debra was the hub

of the family and truly kept things moving. This adventure of life together was a lifelong journey, and she would tell you she had the best travel companion. A devoted mother and wife, Debra will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Survivors include her husband, Rufus “Sonny” Ballard, Jr.; children, Rufus Ballard III and Troy Ballard, Sr.; grandchildren, Rufus Ballard IV, Troy Ballard, Jr., Cameron Ballard, Emma Ballard, Dominique Ballard, Jacob Ballard, and Kiah Ballard; and great-grandchildren, Ivy Ballard, Elena Ballard, and Lelia Rosner.

She is preceded in death by her father, James Gentry; mother, Janet Wilson Stegall; stepfather, Banks Watson Stegall; son, Mark Ballard; and great-grandson, Ryder Broussard.



















Pallbearers
Dylan Ballard
Cameron Ballard
Jacob Ballard
Jacob Theiler
Caleb Smith
Adrian Combs

Interment
Haven of Rest Cemetery
Beaumont, Texas

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