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Sharon S. Goodyear considered herself “a California girl” despite being born in Montana and the numerous years she lived in Texas. She enjoyed a full life and in spite of a difficult start, was determined to make her own way. She studied at Loma Linda University and later opened a high-end home accessories shop, Top of the Table, in Palm Springs where she subsequently met the love of her life, Lee R. Goodyear. His business lead the family to Midland, Texas where she began her career with the FDIC in 1982. After Lee passed away, Sharon and her daughter moved to Dallas. She continued her trajectory within the banking industry and left Texas for an opportunity in New England. She created a lovely home in Plymouth, MA, where she enjoyed countless hours cultivating her passion for gardening. Once semi-retired, gardening, reading and walks on the shore were simply not enough; she missed the corporate environment and the satisfaction of contributing to a team and a job well done. In 2009, after almost 20 years in Plymouth, she returned to Dallas for another round with the FDIC. Sharon was easily recognized and warmly welcomed back by her former colleagues. She had a dry, but quick wit and enjoyed reminiscing and joking about how old they had all become. She took tremendous pride in her career achievements and would want to be remembered as a consummate professional; a strong leader who stopped at nothing to accomplish the corporation’s goals and achieve success. Of course those who knew her well saw the softer, sentimental side. She cared deeply for those around her and wanted only to instill and inspire the same drive and determination she possessed. She knew their “stories,” their families, their likes and dislikes, and though she may not have always displayed it, those relationships were invaluable to her. Sharon maintained a handful of long-term friendships, and in addition to her daughter, they were her family. She is survived by her devoted daughter Alicia and will be missed by a close-knit circle of those who admired and loved her. Burial will take place in Arlington National Cemetery.



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Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Restland Funeral Home and Memorial Park, 13005 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75243.



Tribute Wall

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PB

Peter Bean posted:

Dear Alicia, After reading the wonderful tribute to your mother, I now understand the roots of your own tireless work ethic and steadfast loyalty. Though I never had the privilege of meeting Sharon, I'm proud to call the daughter she raised a close friend for more than fifteen years. My deepest sympathies, Peter

August 24 at 12:59 PM

LG

Larry Glazener posted:

Like Sharon, I was returned to FDIC in 2008. But it wasn't until late 2009 that I immense good fortune to meet her as an upstanding member of the Government and Public Relations group in Dallas. She was the perfect fit for that job, because she knew the in's and out's of all things FDIC, she could walk the walk and talk the talk, speak to anyone on any level, and she was on a first-name basis with all the powers that be. When the two of us were assigned to a new group there, I learned quickly she was nobody's fool. Intense and formidable when she needed to be, interlopers rarely suffered the same fate twice of being on the wrong side of the fence with her. But at the same time she had a heart bigger than her adopted state of Texas. She loved her employees deeply, cherished their friendship and took a keen interest in everything that affected their lives and their families. She nurtured, encouraged, cajoled, laughed and cried with them because she had their best interest at heart. Sharon made them better because she knew they could be better. In time my love and respect for her only grew. She was the sister I never had, and we had some incredibly sweet times together. Sharon was, quite simply, the smartest and most interesting woman I'd ever met. I watched in awe as she tackled everything that came her way, professionally and personally, and realized that I was the lucky one to have known her, to have been a tiny star within her huge orbit. Like everyone whose life she touched, I too was better for just being there to observe her and learn from her. We often shared wine, food and song as well as disappointment and grief. I stood in awe of this amazing woman ... what an incredible human being she was! Sharon Goodyear stood for all that is good in her fellow man, and though she didn't wear it on her sleeve she had a deep and abiding faith. She loved her precious daughter, her beloved friends and her FDIC "family" equally and they loved her back! Not one for small talk I've seen her charm a room full of people with the greatest of ease. She radiated something akin to magic, a light if you will. And without question she was the bravest person I've ever had the privilege of knowing. So Sharon will be missed ... in our hearts and our minds and our souls. There's a giant hole that no one else can fill. I pray for her eternal rest and peace, and pray for comfort for the void in Alicia's life. We are so lucky to have had her in our lives! And I know she will live forever in the memories of those she touched. Larry

May 11 at 7:00 PM



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Restland Funeral Home posted:

"Sharon enjoying the "small" things in life!"

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Sharon by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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