



Anne C. Herring

August 31, 1930 - August 21, 2020

Anne Cain Herring, 89, of Dallas, Texas, took the hand of an angel in the early morning hours of August 21, 2020 with family by her side.

She was born, Mabel Anne Cain, on August 31, 1930 in Austin, Texas to Albert Cain and Wordsworth Peterson. She graduated from Austin High School in 1948 and later attended the University of Texas at Austin where she met the love of her life, Gerald Ray Herring. They were married for 59 years. Their love for one another was a real-life, fairy-tale love story. Mabel Anne saw Gerald from across the room and told her friend, "That's the man I'm going to marry!" Mabel Anne was a feisty, red-headed Texan who loved her family, friends, American history, literature, writing, classic movies, and anything chocolate!

Anne and Gerald had 3 children together- Beth Ann, Gerald Duane and Aimee Michele. Anne was supportive of Gerald's 33-year career with Mobil Oil Corporation. The family lived a corporate gypsy life - moving every two years to states including Texas, Louisiana, Alaska, and Colorado. Anne was instrumental in making each move go as smoothly as possible and became an expert in moving and planning. After they would settle into a new home, Anne would apply to be the secretary at their children's school. The principal at each school relied heavily on Mrs. Herring. Teachers loved her and children were drawn to her as she had a warm smile and was attentive to their needs. She was a tough cookie and no student wanted to be filed under "Trouble" in Mrs. Herring's index card box.

In 1985, Anne completed her college degree from UT-Dallas in American Studies that she had started before she married. In later years, Anne volunteered over 4,000 hours at Richardson ISD's Skyview Elementary teaching literacy to the school's first graders. She was also a volunteer at The Dallas Historical Society for many years as she was passionate about Texas and American history.

Gerald and Anne worked together volunteering as trusted accountants to help raise money for their community through events at their church, local scouts, and school band organizations. Over the years, Anne would prove to be a great leader for both Boy Scouts

and Girl Scouts. She chaperoned for high school band trips and a TCU choir trip to Europe.

She received awards of recognition including: Golden Apple Award and Skyhawk Award from Skyview Elementary in Richardson ISD; Community Service Awards from both The East Dallas Chamber of Commerce and The Dallas Northeast Chamber of Commerce; 2017 Spirit Is Ageless Art & Writing Contest Best in Show and 1st Place Prose Category from The Point & Pavilion at C. C. Young; and The Delta Zeta Order of the Pearl for 65 years of membership.

She was the matriarch of the family and will be greatly missed by all who loved her. Anne is survived by her children Beth Ann Henagan of Dallas, TX; Gerald Duane (and Marcia) Herring of Colorado Springs, CO; and Aimee Michele (and Peter) Ryan of Maplewood, NJ; as well as six grandchildren: Evan Herring of Colorado Springs, CO; Nolan (and Carrie) Herring of Aurora, CO; Krystal Henagan of Boerne, TX; Kerri Henagan of Houston, TX; Kyle (and Whitney) Henagan of Spring, TX; and Sander Ryan of Maplewood, NJ; as well as three great-grandchildren.

Donations in Anne's name may be made to the C.C. Young Benevolence Fund, Lovers Lane UMC Church, or the charity of your choice.

"I'm content with my life,

I'm not afraid to die,

And, I hope I've done some good in between."

- John Adams

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“ Anne Herring, although our paths crossed only for a small portion of a long life and many years ago, I can truthfully state that my life is better for it. Anne was beautiful and rare, curious and expressive, delightful and genuine, intelligent and mindful, daring in thought and cautious in action - most soulful...classiest of ladies. She had a gift. She made me feel loved, appreciated and accepted. I couldn't have wished for more from my own family - I felt like part of hers and her of mine. Johnnie Chadwick

Johnnie Chadwick - September 12, 2020 at 04:14 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Anne C. Herring.



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“ Oh Mrs Herring! I'm so sad to see you leave this world but so happy for your future in Heaven. Beth Ann, my sincerest condolences. Your Mom was so sweet. And had the best sense of humor!

patty Frederick - August 30, 2020 at 10:06 PM



“ I had the pleasure of knowing Ann during her time at CCY. I work in the salon and she came in weekly to have her hair done. During that time I got to hear so many great memories of her life and she always took interest in what was going on in my life. She was a special lady and she will be greatly missed! Prayers for the family during this time

Jazan Powell - August 27, 2020 at 05:12 PM



“ Beth Ann and I were roommates and DZ sorority sisters at Northwestern State University when I first met Anne in 1971. She bounced into our dorm room like a whirlwind, and I adored her right away. Anne was a Delta Zeta girl, like us. We laughed and sang our own version of the Delta Zeta girl song which we continued to sing whenever we were together over the many years.

Anne was an amazing woman---ahead of her time. She was every bit a modern woman with intellect, had her own voice, expressed important ideas, had a red-headed spirit, was patriotic, gave generously of herself in volunteer work, laughed well, was loving, kind and beautiful. She was ALL IN on life and she made a difference. She was a great role model.

I am fortunate that she was a friend. I was lucky----she made me feel like family. The earth has lost an exceptional soul and the heavens are brighter.

Brenda Lauderdale

Brenda Lauderdale - August 27, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ I never met Anne Herring but I know her daughter Aimee and that is all i need to know what a good mother she was.

vicki r newton - August 27, 2020 at 03:33 PM