



## Judy Curtiss

April 14, 1942 - October 19, 2020

With heavy hearts and great sorrow, we announce the passing of Perry Judith “Judy” “Mommom” Curtiss (Smith). Beloved wife, mother, daughter, sister, grandmother, aunt, friend, and educator. She also very likely would have been the greatest mother-in-law of all time, if only either of her kids would get their act together. Born April 14, 1942 in Texarkana, Arkansas, but don’t judge - there just wasn’t a hospital on the Texas side of Texarkana at that time. She passed at her home in north Dallas on October 19, 2020, surrounded by her family. She was preceded in death by her parents Nelia Mae Smith (Allen) and Robert Perry Smith of Hooks, TX. She is survived by her loving husband of 52 years, Jack, son John, daughter Jennifer, sister Jane, niece Jill, nephew Jason (and those are just the Js, y’all). Grandchildren Kora, Caden, and Quinn, many grandnieces and nephews, a brand new great-grandniece, and countless students whose lives she helped shape during more than 30 years in public education. She graduated from Hooks High school in 1960, TCU in 1964, and later earned her masters from North Texas. She started her teaching career in Chicago, then Casa View Elementary and Robert T Hill Junior High schools in Dallas, and Hamilton Park and Arapaho Elementary Schools in Richardson. She retired as the counselor at Arapaho in 2005. She loved God and she loved her family. She loved traveling, and did as much as she could for as long as she could. She loved TCU and OU, in that order. She fought through all the ailments and hardships life threw at her. She was dearly loved, and will be dearly missed. Due to the ongoing pandemic, a memorial service will be held at a later date.

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“ My kids both attended Arapaho Elementary while Judy was the counselor. She always had a smile & a kind word. My deepest sympathy to all the family. BTW - I love your obit & laughed at the humor.

**kathy Minde** - November 01, 2020 at 07:54 PM