



## Mariann Brake

February 20, 1958 - July 10, 2015

Mariann Elizabeth Brake, age 57 passed away surrounded by her family on July 10, 2015 from complications following a brain aneurysm she suffered on July 1, 2015. She was born in Houston, TX on February 20, 1958 to Edwin and Elizabeth Brake. A 1976 graduate of New Caney High School in Porter, TX, she later moved to New Braunfels, TX in 1981.

Mariann was one of those rare people with a big heart and never ending kindness. She had an easy smile and joyful laugh, with a kind word for almost everyone she met. She had been a nurse for the last 30 years working in Telemetry, ICU, and most recently in psychiatry assisting those in the midst of a major crisis. She spent most of her nursing career at the Methodist hospital, where she seemed to know everyone. She has certainly touched many lives through her long career in nursing.

She volunteered for the Red Cross staffing the medical tents for many public events and earned a commendation from Archbishop Flores for "heroic generosity" as a medical staff volunteer for the Papal Mass by Pope John Paul II in September 1987. A giving and heroic heart indeed describes her.

She was an avid reader and she loved spending time with her family. She grew up hunting and fishing with her parents and brothers and found her greatest joy on the Texas gulf coast fishing and enjoying time with family.

Before she took ill, she had just returned from a trip to Corpus Christi with her grandchildren where of course she took them fishing.

Mariann was preceded in death by her father Edwin "Boots" Brake 1966, her mother Elizabeth Combs Brake 2007, her brother Edwin James Brake 1955, her brother William Bennett "Butch" Brake 2010 and her great nephew Brandon Soliz 2008.

She is survived by her daughter Aimee Brake and fiancé David DeLaRosa, grandchildren Austin and Madison Roerich, soon to be born Luzian due in Nov of San Antonio, brother Gene Brake and his partner Greg Stripes of Spokane, WA. Her beloved nieces Karen Brake Powell Chris of Mansfield, Deborah Brake Truitt Bobby of Splendora, Jennifer Alvarado Zach of New Braunfels and nephews Richard Brake Kim of Galveston, TX, Joseph Yohe Clarissa of Converse and David Brake LC of San Antonio. Her great nieces Alicia McGuinness Seth of Frisco, Ashley Kusters of Mansfield, Kristin Brake of Galveston, Kayla Brake of Houston and Shaina Hart David of Colorado Springs, Caroline Wetz of New Braunfels, Lily Brake of San Antonio, Courtney Wetz Rosa of Austin, Emma, Nadia, Ryleigh of Converse, Layonie of Portland, great nephew Lameche of Portland and several great great nieces and nephews.

With her passing, the world is a less kind and beautiful place. Rest well Mariann.

Her service will be held on July 19, 2015 at Mission Park North, 3401 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio, TX. Visitation at 11:00 AM, service at noon, then burial at Pearsall City Cemetery where she will join 4 generations of the Brake family at rest.