



Vicki Kathleen Akeroyd

July 26, 1949 - September 24, 2025

Vicki Kathleen Akeroyd, 76, of New Braunfels, Texas, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Wednesday, September 24, 2025. She was born on July 26, 1949, in San Antonio, Texas, and lived a life dedicated to family, service, and love.

Vicki graduated from McCollum High School in San Antonio, TX in 1967 where she was a majorette. She proudly graduated from San Antonio College with an Associate of Arts Degree in 1979 and Southwest Texas State University with a Bachelor's in Applied Arts and Sciences in 1981. Vicki was a proud civil service employee, traveling the world, devoting 37 years of her career to public service before her retirement in 2006.

Vicki is survived by her loving son, Jeffrey Akeroyd (Debi) and daughter, Sharon Woolever; four cherished grandchildren, Lauren Akeroyd Ward (Ben), Garrett Akeroyd, Brett Hopkin (Nicole), and Lauren Callahan; and four adored great-grandchildren, Blake Ward, Heath Ward, Colt Ward, and Bennett Hopkin. She also leaves behind her cousins, Sandy Hancock and Terry Sawey, nephew, Kirk Ward, niece, Melanie Kurtz (Ricke), great-nephews Bradley Kurtz and Matthew Pearce, great-niece Bailey Kurtz, and numerous devoted and lifelong friends. She was an avid animal lover, cherishing all creatures great and small, but especially her sweet companions, Lola and Nolan, who brought her endless joy and comfort.

Vicki was preceded in death by her parents, Frances and Victor Willis; aunt, Iris Willis, sisters, Shirley "Pat" Forister and Sylvia Ward (Jimmy Ward); and niece, Danee' Ward; along with several beloved pets over the years. Her legacy of warmth, generosity, and devotion to her family and animals will continue to live on in the hearts of those she touched. She will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

A celebration of life will be announced and held at a later date to honor Vicki's memory. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to Ashley's Kitten Academy, a non-profit cat rescue organization that Vicki proudly supported, or to the Humane Society of the New Braunfels Area, in her honor, reflecting her lifelong love of animals.

Tribute Wall

IB

“ *I meant to say breakfast*

irene boyd - October 26, 2025 at 10:50 PM

IB

“ *I haven't written anything yet— I really can't quite accept this reality mainly because I was with her on Saturday— right before she had the stroke on Monday. I've known Vicki for 50 years— and I would drive up to new Braunfels about every other week and would stop to get dinner for us and then spend the night after watching all our fav game shows. In the morning I'd go get tacos for breast before heading back to SA. I already miss talking to her and getting daily messages such as—“- check your checking account there seems to me to be some unusual activity” or “there are some charges on your credit card on Amazon”- she knew I never ordered anything on any site. She was my unpaid personal assistant and an excellent bookkeeper — she kept excellent records and was so good to do my taxes every year- I'm going to miss those skills and generous help she gave me but most of all—I'm really going to miss my friend*

irene boyd - October 26, 2025 at 10:47 PM

CW

“ *I started working with Vicki at Air Intelligence Agency in the late 1970s. Later worked with her at Kelly AFB. Our kids were the same age so we had many common experiences. Vicki was always cheerful and kind. I was very sorry to hear of her passing. She will be missed. My sincere condolences to her family.*

Cindy Willitts - October 02, 2025 at 12:21 AM



“ I was fortunate to have met Vicki through my sister Trisha while they both worked at Tinker AFB. She was always kind and ready to help even watching two of my kids a few times. We all had the commonality of growing up in San Antonio. She will be greatly missed. Prayers for her extended family and numerous friends.

Jim Brehm - October 01, 2025 at 06:26 PM

JH

“ I am stunned by Vickie’s passing. We worked together for close to 40 years and maintained contact during retirement. I will miss her. She was vibrant. She was passionate. She believed in fairness, kindness and reason. May her memory bring peace to her family... she loved you very much. I will miss her.

Jaime E Hurley - October 01, 2025 at 10:21 AM

CP

“ Vicki my friend you will be missed, we shared so many memories together with Chuck, Lynn and myself in Korea, Hawaii, Boston and at work. The IEMP was a great place to work, as we all got along with each other. RIP my friend.

Cruz Paredes - September 30, 2025 at 02:49 PM

AP

“ It was my privilege to have known you thru our jobs at SA/ALC. Always held you in high esteem. Rest in peace and God's Blessings to you.

Armando Pena - September 29, 2025 at 01:29 PM

SN

“ Vicki was my best friend for 57 years. There are hundreds of memories and stories. Like Jeff and Christy riding their big wheels wildly all around the apartment complex. Lying by the pool with only baby oil for sunscreen. Making Thanksgiving dinner for Captain Novak and forgetting to take out the innards (yuk) before cooking the silly bird. We laughed so hard!! We worked and raised that handsome little dark-haired boy and the precious little white-haired girl. It was oftentimes difficult, but we did it! I moved to Tulsa, but we were still best of friends. We have texted and called constantly and daily about our aches and pains, Dateline, the Bachelor shows, The Voice contestants, things happening everywhere in the news. We were on opposite sides of the fence about certain topics and we'd bicker; then the next 5 minutes we were on to another subject. That's what best friends do. What am I going to do now? You will always be in my heart, and I will forever and always remember and love my sweet, giving, cat-loving best friend. Peace be with you. 🥹



Sallye Nail - September 28, 2025 at 04:44 PM

SN

“ For 57 years, I was so fortunate to have Vicki as my very best friend. There are hundreds of great memories and stories. Like Jeff and Christy riding big wheels up and down and all around the apartment complex. Laying by the pool with baby oil all over us. And the time we made Thanksgiving dinner for Captain Novak and didn't take the innards out of the turkey before cooking it (yuk). We laughed so hard! We had so many adventures and so much fun. We went through a lot, working and raising the cute little dark-headed boy and the precious little white-headed girl. It sometimes was very hard, but we did it!! The stories we could tell!! I moved to Tulsa, but we were still best of friends. We texted every day to talk during Dateline and 20/20, The Voice, The Bachelor shows, all the latest news, etc. We were on opposite sides of the fence in certain areas, and we'd bicker. Then we'd go on like it never occurred. What will I do now? You were such a big part of my life You will always be in my heart, and I will forever love you my sweet, sweet, beautiful friend. 🐕💕💕



Sallye Nail - September 28, 2025 at 04:23 PM

LD

“ Dear Vicki, We were friends for well over 50 years. I remember the time you came to visit us in Bedford (DFW) area! You & our daughter enjoyed playing with her kitties & talking about the shows you both liked. You will be sorely missed. Wished we could have gotten together more often. Love you & will remember all the good times we shared together! May you Rest in Peace! ❤️😭🙏

Linda Devlin - September 27, 2025 at 12:39 PM

SN

Vicki was my very best friend for over 50 years. So many funny and happy memories, like Jeff and Christy riding big wheels like crazy all around the apartment complex. The two of us laying out at the pool constantly with baby oil only. And making Thanksgiving dinner for Captain Novak and didn't take all the innards out of the turkey before cooking it (yuk). We laughed so hard! You were always so pretty and perfectly dressed and groomed. Plus you were so smart and helpful with our insurance and anything else I needed help with. You wanted to make sure I got every single benefit that I could. We had a lot of fun and many good times and laughs together. So many, many years of memories. We ended up in different states, but that never hurt our friendship. We weren't always on the same side of the fence on certain issues, but somehow we made it through our differences. What am I going to do without you? You will always be in my heart, and I will forever love my sweet, sweet friend. Rest in peace pretty girl. 💕💕

Sallye Nail - September 27, 2025 at 11:41 PM

SN

Vicki was my very best friend for 57 years. I remember Jeff and Christy riding big wheels all over the apartment complex. And making Thanksgiving dinner for Captain Novak and forgetting to take the innards (yuk) out of the silly bird before we cooked it. We laughed like crazy. You always had perfect clothes, perfect nails, and perfect hair. So pretty. We raised that handsome little dark-haired boy and that precious little white-haired girl. It was difficult, but somehow we did it, and they are such good adults. I moved to Tulsa but we never stopped being besties. You came when Lindsay was born. That little stinker! Ha! Then later we texted just about every day and night about Dateline, Bachelor, all the latest big and sad news. We were on opposite sides of the fence regarding certain topics. We would bicker, but the next sentence would be about something totally different and off the subject. Because that's what best friends do. You adored your three handsome little boys. We sent pictures back and forth. We complained about our aches and pains all the time. What will I do now? I've already gone to pick up the phone nearly every day to tell you something. You will forever be in my heart. I miss you so much already. I will always love my sweet, kind, helpful, kitty cat loving best friend. Peace be with you. 🐾💕

Sallye Nail - September 29, 2025 at 01:55 PM