



## Wanda Gayle (DeHart) Rousey

November 9, 1942 - July 2, 2021

Wanda Gayle (DeHart) Rousey was born on the 9th of November, 1942, in Fort Worth Texas, the second of four children to Rodger Q DeHart and Margie Yates DeHart.

An all-around great athlete, Wanda would go on to star on the tennis team at Odessa High School and eventually Abilene Christian College where she became a nationally ranked tennis player before graduating with a degree in secondary education in 1964.

While teaching high school English in Houston in 1970, she met the love of her life, Bill, and the two would go on to marry June 28th, 1971. They welcomed their first child, Trey, in 1975 and their second, Lance, in 1979.

Wanda was a passionately devoted mother and wife, always putting the needs of her family at the forefront; fiercely protective of her children and forever loyal to her husband.

Wanda would eventually go to work with Bill in his small business and help turn it into an extremely successful one that is still thriving today.

Wanda, a huge sports fan, never missed the chance to cheer on her boys' football, soccer, baseball or basketball games, recording every one on her camcorder, yelling words of encouragement along the way. In her later years, Wanda would develop a similar passion for her Houston Astros, watching every game she could.

Wanda also loved traveling, especially the countless cruises to foreign lands with Bill and their cruising buddies, Jack and Stevie. These were some of the

best memories of her life; she always had a cruise story to tell everyone when they saw her.

Wanda became a grandmother on July 10th, 2013, to twin brothers Beckett and Griffin. Her third grandchild, Campbell, would come along a few years later in 2015. Her grandchildren were a huge source of joy and pride for Wanda in her last years. Wanda and Bill would eventually relocate from Houston to San Antonio to be closer to them.

Wanda would be diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in 2015 and fought it fiercely for 6 years.

Wanda was preceded in death by her parents Rodger and Margie Yates and her brother Rick. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Bill, her sons Trey and Lance, daughter-in-law Courtney, grandchildren Beckett, Griffin and Campbell, brothers Rodger and Dale, nephews Keith and Adam, nieces Ashley and Christie and sister-in-law Verna.

Wanda was a kind, loving and devoted wife, mother, sister and friend. She will be deeply, deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

A graveside service is planned for 10:00 am on Tuesday, July 6th, 2021 at Mission Burial Park North, 20900 IH 10 West, San Antonio, TX 78257.

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Burial Park North

20900 I.H. 10  
West San Antonio, TX 78230

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Aunt Wanda was such a kind and generous lady. I was so lucky to be her niece. Warmest condolences to Uncle Bill, Trey, and Lance during this difficult time.

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**Christie (DeHart) Hutchinson** - July 05, 2021 at 08:27 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Wanda Gayle (DeHart) Rousey.



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July 05, 2021 at 08:22 PM

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“ Thank you so much for posting the pictures. It’s been many years since I last saw Wanda.

*My mother, Norine Yates was Margie’s sister and Wanda’s aunt making Wanda my cousin. We never saw much of the DeHarts because they lived in Midland or Odessa (?) and then Conroe, while my family lived in several places. However, there was one time when we were all at Grandpa & Grandma’s house in Hillsboro. Everyone was headed to Whitney. Wanda was driving her own car and I got to ride with her. She was 12 years older than I, so I felt very special. At one point, I asked why she was driving so slow. She said she was low on gas. I told her I thought she should drive faster! (I think I was about 7).*

*Another time, we were visiting relatives in Midland & Odessa. Wanda painted my fingernails with alternating colors. I thought they were magical!*

*Even though I rarely saw her and we were years apart, I have such fond memories of Wanda. I loved her because she was kind to me, my mom loved her, and my aunt Nadine (to whom I was close) loved her, too.*

*May she rest in peace.*

*Jane Stokes Pavelko*

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**Jane Stokes Pavelko** - July 05, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wanda Gayle (DeHart) Rousey.



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“ Rita & Dale DeHart purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Wanda Gayle (DeHart) Rousey.

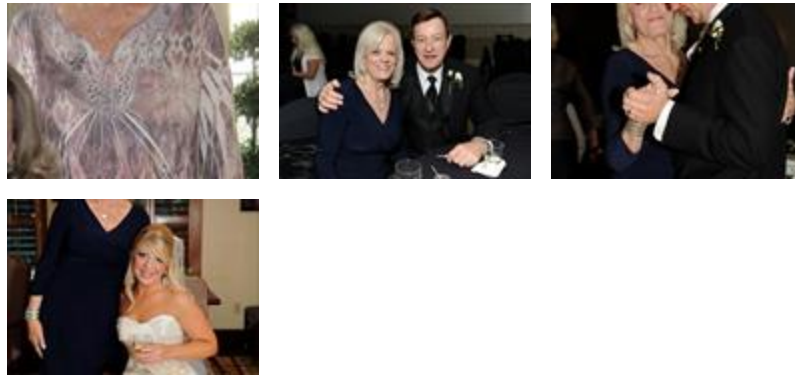


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Rita & Dale DeHart - July 05, 2021 at 08:49 AM



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Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - July 04, 2021 at 03:41 PM