



Sandra ("Sandi") Ashworth
1943-2021

Sandi was born Sandra Orleen Batson in Charleston, West Virginia on December 15, 1943 to Orla Seager and Myrtle Amelia (Redfox) Batson. She went peacefully to be with her Lord on July 3, 2021 in her adopted home of San Antonio, Texas.

She attended Stonewall Jackson High School and received a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from West Virginia University, where she also met her future husband, Mike Ashworth. After marrying, she and her husband moved to San Antonio, Texas so Mr. Ashworth could continue his military career at Lackland AFB. Sandi became an elementary school music teacher and received her Master of Arts in Counseling at Trinity University. She divorced and decided to remain in San Antonio because she loved the River Walk.

She retired from full-time teaching after 42 years in the Alamo Heights School District, and continued to substitute and voluntarily teach guitar to 4th and 5th graders one day a week at Woodridge Elementary. She was a member of the Texas Music Educators Association, where she served as Elementary School President and Photographer. She was a member of the Texas Choral Directors Association and the San Antonio Choral Society.

Sandi became a member of Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church in October, 1973. She was hired as their Music Director in October, 1990, faithfully serving the congregation the rest of her life. She served on the Worship Committee and led the Choir and Handbells. She attended a Walk to Emmaus, and was a member of the Agape Band and the Ukulele Ladies & Gents of Saint Andrew. She would return to West Virginia to visit with family and friends during the summer. Sandi was also an avid photographer and scrapbooker. She was in a group called the Cadence Cloggers, and the dance group had a small part in the Burt Reynolds/Dolly Parton movie filmed in Texas.

She loved her students, their parents, her colleagues, friends, and church family very much. Sandi loved Christmas. "Sandi Claus" would deliver Christmas gifts on her birthday to businesses she visited regularly, teachers and staff at Woodridge, her church friends, and her scrapbook ladies.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Deloris Seckman, and her aunt, Gladys Barron. She is survived by two nieces, Joyce Hendrix and Linda Barker (Steve), and two nephews,

Gary Seckman (Sheri) and Warren Seckman, plus many great nieces and nephews and friends who were family, including her assistant, Shirley Brown, and physical therapist, Dr. Bill Richardson.

Sandi was very active until her last hospitalization in April, 2021. Family and friends would like to thank Embrace Hospice Care and Linda's Transitional Care for their compassion and care these last two months.

A Celebration of Sandi's Life will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2021 at 5:00 PM in the evening, at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, 8231 Callaghan Road, San Antonio, Texas 78230. Rev. Dr. Doug Dalglish, officiating. Reception to follow at Saint Andrew in All Saints' Hall. Interment will be in the Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to any of the following: Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, or the Texas Music Educators Association Scholarship Fund, PO Box 140465, Austin, Texas 78714, or the charity of your choice.

Sandi, you will be dearly missed, and we thank God for your life, your laughter, and your love.



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