



Vicki May Espensen passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 22, 2021, at the age of 75. She was born in Detroit, Michigan on January 9, 1946 to Lawrence Leth-Espensen and Marion Sheehan Espensen. As the oldest of 6, she was a loving caretaker to her younger siblings.

Vicki is survived by her brothers Dwight Espensen, Terry Espensen (Carol) and Michael Espensen, and sisters Kelly Sturges and Sherri Staha (Bob), 13 nieces, 1 nephew, 15 great-nieces and nephews, and precious friends Brenda & Dale Slinkard, Susan Chadwell, and Renee & Gary Barrett amongst many others.

Professionally, Vicki began her work career as a secretary at KRGY Radio Station in McAllen, Texas, attended Pan American University in Edinburg, Texas, and became a Major Account Manager for IBM, Kodak, and Office Depot, where she was honored with countless sales awards until her retirement in 2017.

Vicki was a passionate volunteer at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo where she faithfully served on the Souvenir Committee since 2015. As an entrepreneur, she created beautiful and elegant necklaces and earrings under her company, Victoria's Enterprises, that were hits at local trade shows with women from all across the state.

Vicki had a love for German Shorthair Pointers. She began showing her dogs in the early 1990's and was very proud of their accomplishments: Billy - Best of Winners, Kennel Club of Greater Victoria, 1993; Nikki - Best of Opposite Sex, Brazos County Kennel Club, 1993; and Cody - Best of Winners, Chain O'Lakes Kennel Club, 1998. There is no doubt these dogs, along with her beloved Danny, Bear, and Greta greeted her enthusiastically as she crossed over into Heaven. Later, Vicki was introduced to Toni, an adult Collie mix, whom she loved whole-heartedly. With video confirmation of Toni's happiness, Vicki relaxed knowing that Toni is safe, happy, and deeply loved.

Vicki approached most things methodically with a warm smile and high energy. She always filled the room with the love of God and life. Usually dressed in animal print with a bit of bling, or elegantly presented in Southwest attire, she was beautiful inside and out. As a young lady, she was crowned the Queen of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show where she was photographed with Jimmy Stewart. She was also crowned the Princess of Orange Blossom at the Mission Citrus Festival, Duchess of Palms, Miss McAllen Poll-Ette, and a finalist in Miss Colt .45, Houston.

Vicki would want you to remember her as vivaciously as she lived her life, without tears in your eyes or sadness in your heart. She would want you to think of her and smile, and know that she is at peace in Heaven, embraced by friends and family.

Visitation and services will be held September 10, 2021 at Funeral Caring, 6500 Interstate 35, near Rittiman Road. Visitation 9:30-10, Services 10-11 with interment to follow at San Fernando 3 Cemetery, 1735 Cupples Road, San Antonio, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the [National Ovarian Cancer Coalition](#)