



## Martha Nan Ross

December 23, 1947 - July 10, 2025

Martha Nan Ross, age 77, of Celina, Texas, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on July 10, 2025.

Martha was born on December 23, 1947, in Athens, Texas, to Welton and Iva Josephine Hopson. She spent her early years in Athens before moving to Bonham, where she attended high school. Martha excelled academically and was actively involved in extracurricular activities—serving as a majorette, being honored as Basketball Sweetheart, and graduating as the Salutatorian of the Class of 1966.

In 1969, Martha earned a Bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University, majoring in English and Spanish with a minor in Fashion Merchandising and Education.

Her professional career spanned 23 years at JCPenney, where she served in the Systems and Programming Department. She held roles as an IT Program Analyst and later as a Systems Development Manager.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathryn Dianne Born; her son-in-law, Vichheka Born; her beloved grandson, Nicholas; and her brother, Jerry Joe Hopson, his wife, Debbie, and their daughter, Morgan.

She had a deep love for her family—her mother, father, and daughter—and

especially cherished the time spent with her grandson. In addition to her devotion to family, Martha deeply valued the lasting friendships she built throughout her life. She was strong-willed and goal-oriented, often achieving whatever she set her mind to. Martha also had a passion for reading and researching her family's genealogy. She will be remembered for her kindness, determination, and unwavering love for those closest to her.

There will be no services held at this time. A small private ceremony to honor Martha's life will be planned at a later date. The family appreciates your love and support during this time.

# Tribute Wall



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