



Cynthia Lea Ball

September 23, 1959 - March 4, 2017

A funeral service for Cynthia Lea Ball, age 57 of Alto is scheduled for 11:00 a.m., Saturday, March 11, 2017 at the First Baptist Church in Alto with Rev. Gary Pridmore, Rev. Ernest Mayes and Rev. Bobby King officiating. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. up until service time Saturday at the church.

Cindy was preceded in death by her sister, Glenda Renee Sonnier, grandparents, D.W. and Deuron Harman. She is survived by her husband, Joe F. Ball, son, Dustin A Ferrell, granddaughter, Kira A. Ferrell and her parents Whitney J. "Buz" and Reba L. Sonnier, all of Alto, TX, two brothers, Sean Sonnier of Austin, TX, Jeffery Sonnier of Nacogdoches, TX, step-son, Jason D. Ball and his wife Myra, and step-grandsons Wyatt Ball, Shane Ball and Aaron McCreight all of Rusk, TX and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cindy was born and raised in Beaumont, TX where she graduated from South Park High School and attended Lamar University. Before becoming a Beaumont Police officer Cindy worked for Beaumont Independent School District as a Special Education assistant. Cindy began her career as a Beaumont police officer in 1986 and retired from the Department on December 31, 2012, after serving for almost 27 years. During her career Cindy was assigned to Patrol Division and worked the midnight shift for many years. Cindy frequently assisted Narcotics Division as an undercover officer. She was also a Field Training officer instructing "rookie" officers. Cindy was involved in the creation of the Santa in Blue program, serving many underprivileged children.

In 1996 Cindy transferred to Detective Division as a Family Violence investigator. After gaining experience as a Detective, Cindy moved to the Robbery/Homicide Unit, where she excelled at capturing serial robbers. During her career Cindy received many accolades and awards for her contribution both to the Department and the community.

In 1998 Cindy married Joe Ball and they blended their families together, or as Cindy liked to say “we put all of our eggs in one basket.” After Cindy and Joe both retired from the Beaumont Police Department they moved into their new “Cindy Designed” home in the country outside Alto, TX. Cindy really took to the country living, raising a garden every year and developed a genuine love for blue healer puppies and raising chickens. Cindy was so happy to be able to help raise her granddaughter, Kira, out in the country.

Cindy had many passions but her love for God and sharing the gospel was the driving force in her life, followed closely by a deep love for her family and friends. Always willing to help someone in need.

In June 2016 Cindy was diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer and true to her personality she fought to overcome another mountain with the same tenacity with which she lived her life. On Saturday, March 4, 2017, Cindy fought her final battle with this evil disease by allowing a surgical procedure to insert tubes directly into her kidneys which had stopped functioning. Before going in for the surgery Cindy said that she hoped the procedure would be successful, but if not, she was at peace with God and was ready to go and be with Jesus. At 6:40 p.m. Saturday evening Cindy completed her journey in this life and began a new and eternal journey with Jesus. We can all learn a lesson from this valiant prayer warrior for God.

Honey, I love you more than my own life and look forward to the day when we can sing praises to Jesus together.-----Joe

Cindy had a great love for children, so in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Cindy’s name to St. Jude’s Children Hospital for cancer research. Honorary pallbearers will be friends Andy Grammer and Nick McCormick of Alto, TX, grandsons Wyatt Ball, Shane Ball and Aaron McCreight of Rusk, TX,

along with Officers of the Beaumont Police Department.

Tribute Wall



“ *Cynthia Lea Ball*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cynthia Lea Ball.*



March 10, 2017 at 07:00 AM



“ *Shawn and Karen Tolley purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Cynthia Lea Ball.*



Shawn and Karen Tolley - March 08, 2017 at 02:07 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Cynthia Lea Ball.*



March 07, 2017 at 11:22 PM

SH

“ Oh Cindy how I will miss your laugh, and sweet smile. I so enjoyed working with you, you really brightened this place up so much with your wit, wisdom and creativity. You could make a display out of nothing, I know the good Lord will have you redecorating the Kindom of GOD. Love you and Miss you, Pete. Love and prayers for Joe , Dustin, Kira and Cindy's Mom & Dad

shirley herring - March 07, 2017 at 09:14 AM

KL

“ Buz and Reba, I am so sorry to hear of your loss of your beloved Cynthia. My deepest sympathy to the two of you and the rest of her loved ones. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Karen LaBorde

Karen LaBorde - March 07, 2017 at 08:21 AM

RR

“ Joe, Brenda and I are so sorry to hear of Cindys passing. May Gods grace bring you peace and comfort.

Roger and Brenda Richmond

Roger Richmond - March 06, 2017 at 06:26 PM

CP

“ Joe, we are so sorry to hear about the loss of Cindy. Our heart felt condolences go out to you and family. The family will be in our prayers in the upcoming days. Once again sorry for your loss. May GOD be with you during this trying time.

Chris & Dorinda Padgett

Chris Padgett - March 06, 2017 at 02:52 PM

RM

Cindy was my sister's first true friend and lifetime treasure to the Miller family God bless and be with Joe and all the family. God has truly gain an angel in heaven and we have loss a true role model to with youth and everyone she came in contact with. I will always keep her in prayer until we see each other again in Heaven....

Robert Miller - March 06, 2017 at 09:50 PM

RT

Joe, I'm very sorry to hear of you, and all, losing Cindy. She is so well remembered as sweet, compassionate, and honorable. Jesus surely holds her - and you - in His arms.

Roger Trahan

Roger Trahan - March 07, 2017 at 04:39 PM