



Mrs. Janelle Hough

March 20, 1939 - May 20, 2020

Marilyn Janelle Thompson Hough was born March 20, 1939, in Bloomburg, Texas to William Otis and Tessie Lee Thompson, and went to her heavenly home on May 20, 2020 in Carthage, Texas.

While in High School, she was pianist for the Bloomburg Lions Club. She graduated from Bloomburg High School in Cass County in 1957 and attended Panola College where she maintained a 3.75 GPA. In 1992, she was certified by the Texas Board of Tax Professional Examiners as a Registered Texas Assessor/Collector.

A devoted Christian, Janelle was a member of Central Baptist Church. She was a staunch dyed-in-the-wool Texan, through and through, birth till death. Janelle worked for several years arranging flowers at Lynch's florist.

She married Joe Hough on December 17, 1976 at Central Baptist, Carthage. From 1976 until 1996, she worked in the Panola County Tax Office, retiring as Chief Deputy. Subsequently, she served as Tax Collector for Elysian Fields ISD and Beckville ISD for an additional eight years before retiring.

She was a gifted musician and artist, playing piano and organ at Southside Baptist and painting numerous pictures for home decorating and for family members. She was a member of the Q.M. Martin Art Society.

Janelle enjoyed all kinds of music, cruising, traveling, camping, snow skiing, hiking and doing research on her family tree. She was life-member of the Panola County Historical Association and served on the Panola County Historical Commission. She was a choir member at both Southside and

Central Baptist Churches.

In 1988, Janelle wanted to hike the Grand Canyon. Her husband and friends, the Fowlers, finished the 22 mile hike, but Janelle went into a coma and was evacuated by nine rangers. At the hospital in Flagstaff, AZ, she had an out-of-body experience, but she saw her mother standing alone, so she returned.

In their travels, the Houghs carried both their mothers, separately, to 48 states, visiting every capitol. Janelle loved to visit the Amish country in the fall in Shipshewana, IN and Berlin, OH. In the spring she liked the jewelry shows in Tucson, AZ.

Janelle participated in church mission trips to Kansas, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Spain. In 2000, she completed training in teaching techniques for teaching English as a Foreign Language at Baylor University. Unlike her type A husband, Janelle was more of a behind the scenes servant. At church functions, she was usually in the kitchen with her hands in the dishwasher.

Janelle was preceded in death by her father, Otis Thompson; mother, Tessie Thompson; brother, William Ray Thompson; and a great-grandchild, Christian Stone. She is survived by her devoted husband of almost 44 years, Joe Hough of Carthage; daughter, Sherry Barrington Jones of Carthage; daughter, Lisa Barrington Hoekwater and husband Jon of Kingsbury; step-son, Billy Joe Hough and wife Lisa of Broken Bow, OK; step-daughter, Helen Kaye Wilbanks and husband Matt of Arlington. Grandchildren: Casey Marie Wilkerson, Brandi Blanchard, Cody Hough, Emily Wilbanks, B.J. Jones, Justin Lofland, Joseph G. Hough, Megan Hebert, Madison Wilbanks, and Taylor Jones; twelve great-grandchildren; numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 27, 2020, at Central Baptist Church with Dr. Monty Pierce and Rev. Austin Dameron officiating.

Burial will follow in Restland Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation for family and friends will be Tuesday, May 26, 2020 from 4 – 7:00 p.m. at Hawthorn Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to Mission Carthage P.O. Box 1208, Carthage, Texas 75633 or Footprints in the Sand Monument, 808 Ray Street, Carthage,

Texas 75633.

Cemetery Details

Restland Memorial Park Cemetery

2107 State Hwy 149
Carthage, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home
307 West Wellington Street
P.O. Box 188
Carthage, TX 75633
(903) 693-3816
info@hawthornfuneralhome.com
<https://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com>

Service

MAY 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

Central Baptist Church
220 W. Sabine
Carthage, TX

Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough



Hawthorn Funeral Home - May 28, 2020 at 05:19 PM



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Hawthorn Funeral Home - May 26, 2020 at 11:51 AM

CW

“ Grandmother- You will be so truly missed!! There will never be another Grandmother as beautiful, sweet, caring, proper, and loving as you. And I will never forget a single memory I had with you. You were the BEST!! Thank you everyone for the kind thoughts and prayers. I love you my sweet Grandmother!! - Casey Marie



Casey Wilkerson - May 29, 2020 at 03:28 PM

MK

“ *Janell was my precious friend from age 6. I will be thrilled to see her again in our heavenly home. This beautiful east Tx girl was a joy to know. we will always remember her wonderful smile . Mecilla Willett Keene*

mecilla w Keene - May 28, 2020 at 06:07 PM



“ *Janelle was a lovely, sweet lady, and I always enjoyed being around her. It was wonderful listening to her talk. Her voice was so soothing to the ear.*

I pray that God will comfort you all as you make your way into the future. Sending love to you all.

-Kim Jones Holcomb

Kim Jones Holcomb - May 27, 2020 at 09:35 AM

KD

“ *Mr. Joe, I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of Miss Jeanelle. She was a beautiful lady and I know she was the love of your life. Your love, undying devotion and dedication to her was something beautiful to witness. She was so incredibly blessed to have such a love in her life. My heart breaks for you as I know the physical separation you've already had from her due to the lockdown. Please know you And your entire family are in my prayers.*

Kim Collins Davis

Kim Davis - May 27, 2020 at 08:58 AM

PW

“ Janelle was my mother’s best friend while growing up in Bloomburg. (Kathry Hurt Wicks Peacock) My mother had open heart surgery this past week and will not be able to attend. She is deeply saddened by her passing as is our entire family. My prayers are with Joe and her entire family.

Pamela “PK” Wicks - May 26, 2020 at 09:15 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - May 26, 2020 at 11:40 AM

RF

“ Joe,
I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your sweet wife. I remember the many conversations you and I had about my mother and your wife. I know you take comfort knowing she is unchained from the bonds that Alzheimer's had put on her; she is at perfect peace and rest. May the Lord grant you His perfect peace that surpasses understanding.
-Rex Fennell

Rex Fennell - May 26, 2020 at 10:12 AM

VI

“ Vicki sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough



Vicki - May 25, 2020 at 05:33 PM

HH

“ HeartWay Hospice lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough



HeartWay Hospice - May 25, 2020 at 10:37 AM

KM

“ Mr. Hough,

I am so sorry to hear about your loss. We will certainly miss her on the historical commission. Heaven has gained a prize.
Kay Mauritzen

Kay Mauritzen - May 24, 2020 at 01:22 PM

IR

“ Such a lovely lady. Joe, my friend, I know she will be missed. Chris and I send our condolences. She is at peace now.
Ike

Ike Reeves - May 23, 2020 at 08:15 AM

BS

“ *Becky Ramsey Spain lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough*



Becky Ramsey Spain - May 22, 2020 at 04:16 PM

BS

“ *Joe, I can't tell you how sorry I am for your loss. She was such a special lady and it was a blessing to know her. I will never forget either of you and all you both did for us when we lost daddy. He loved you both. Our prayers are with you and the family. Becky Ramsey Spain.*

Becky Spain - May 22, 2020 at 04:15 PM

SB

“ *So sorry for your loss. I worked with Janelle at Beckville ISD for several years. She was a dedicated employee and a joy to be around. Loved her dearly, Sherian Brasher*



Sherian Brasher - May 22, 2020 at 02:30 PM

LH

“ *Lori Ann Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough*



Lori Ann Hall - May 22, 2020 at 01:20 PM

DR

“ *My God Bless the family in your time of grief.*

Don & Paula Ransom - May 22, 2020 at 01:09 PM

DS

“ *To Joe and family..
I'm so sorry for your great loss. May the closeness of Holy Spirit
bring comfort as you work through your grief.
Dr. Arnold Shrewsbury*

Dr. Arnold Shrewsbury - May 22, 2020 at 12:31 PM

VB

“ *Praying for Joe and family*



Vicki Willis Barker - May 22, 2020 at 12:16 PM

JD

“ *Dear Family, We have so many happy and
fun memories of Janelle. Going to church
together, being neighbors and our
friendship.....we will always cherish.
Remember the good times you had with her
and keep those in your hearts.
With our love and prayers,
The Jerry Don Dorman Family,
Jerry, Pat, Jeremy, Lance, Emerson and Everleigh
Isaiah 40:31*



Jerry and Pat Edens Dorman - May 22, 2020 at 09:57 AM

KH

“ *Kim Henigan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough*



Kim Henigan - May 22, 2020 at 08:11 AM



“ *Praying for Joe during this difficult time. Ms. Janelle was a classy lady and I always enjoyed talking with her. She touched many lives and will always be remembered.*

Sheila Ritter - May 22, 2020 at 07:18 AM

DW

“ *Donna Harris Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janelle Hough*



Donna Harris Westbrook - May 22, 2020 at 06:59 AM

DW

*Janelle was Such a Kind Lady
AND Always So Pleasant To Be Around
We All Had So Many Laughs
With She and Joe
At Our Sunday School Gatherings at Southside
Sincere Condolences and Prayers To Joe and Family
Donna & Ron Westbrook*

Donna Harris Westbrook - May 22, 2020 at 07:06 AM

SK

Such a sweet lady, always smiling. The picture was her every time you saw her, that big beautiful smile. Know you will and Panola County will miss her.

Sue Kear

Sue Kear - May 22, 2020 at 07:15 PM

NL

Joe, so sorry! Just learned of your loss. I have nothing but fond, pleasant memories of her. My prayers for you and all of her family!

Norma Lawless - May 22, 2020 at 08:49 PM

DH

When we were new at Southside, no one made us feel more welcome than Janelle and Joe. When Don had surgery, there they were to comfort. They personally sent birthday and different occasion cards that meant the world and I still have them. When we had the trunk or treat, they were the cutest couple always! They sang beautifully in the choir together & it was a joy to see them up there smiling every Sunday. Janelle had a sweet spirit and good sense of humor that was so precious to me. I loved her story that another lady persuaded her to tell me: She was at the skating rink and Elvis Presley was there. He was smitten by her. She was very casual about telling it. He wanted to take her home & tried to reason with her every which way in the world that she would be safe and chaperoned by his buddies. She said she never even considered it, but felt complimented by his gentlemanly advances. I could see why he tried because she was a beautiful woman. We use to have so much fun with her on "Taco Tuesdays". We wanted to take her to Shipshewana because she wanted to go just one more time. She loved that place. We are praying for Joe and the family. Love In Christ, Don & Dot Holcomb

Don & Dot Holcomb - May 22, 2020 at 11:44 PM

MT

Joe, I am so sorry for your loss. Send prayers on your behalf.

Mona Tucker - May 26, 2020 at 10:31 AM