



## Mrs Sharon Thurman Ivey

October 23, 1948 - December 8, 2022

Memorial service for Mrs. Sharon Ivey. 74 of Carthage, will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at the First Methodist Church of Carthage with Rev. Kevin Otto officiating. A reception will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall of the church. A time of visitation will be held from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. prior to the memorial service Sharon Elizabeth Thurman (Ivey) was born on October 23, 1948, to Mart B Thurman & Nelwyn Parker Thurman in Henderson. Younger brother Marty followed soon after. The family moved to SW Houston in the early 1950s. Graduating from high school in 1966, then graduated from Texas Tech University in 1970. Sharon was living back in Houston when she met her future husband, Terry Ivey, through mutual Texas Tech friends in Hereford, TX in 1973. They were married in November 1973 in Houston, surrounded by family and friends. They lived in Dallas for a time, before relocating to Houston. Sharon completed her master's in education through Stephen F. Austin State University and began teaching in 1976 in HISD. Daughter Erin was born in 1980 & Terry passed away from cancer in 1985. Both Terry & Sharon's friends and her family comforted her after she lost the love of her life. Sharon & Erin moved to Carthage to be with family in 1991. Sharon was an active member in the First Methodist church- both teaching Sunday School & helping with VBS. Beta Sigma Phi, Book Blessings & Panola College GED programs & summer camps were some of her favorite ways to spend time. Also, bunko, bridge & Carthage Quilting Club were also a light for Sharon, as well as "All things Texas Tech!" She actively participated in

Panola Co. Democrats & AYEP program for youth. Sharon believed in unconditional equal rights for all people. She worked for Beckville ISD, Marshall ISD & Carthage ISD, too. She was passionate about encouraging others to continue or finish their education. She loved family & friends dearly. She eagerly awaited Erin's daughters, Ivey and Rose. Sharon enjoyed traveling, watching any level of football & chatting people up. Proceeding her in death are her parents, Mart B & Nelwyn Thurman, grandmothers Euna B. Parker & Anna Fern Thurman. Also loving husband Terry. Crawford, Beth & Duane Parker. Aunts Melrose & Patricia. She leaves behind only child Erin & husband Ben, their daughters Ivey Lynn & Anna Rose. Brother Marty & sister-in-law Grace Thurman. Nieces Liza Thurman Woodfin & husband Shane; great nieces Cheyenne, Cierra & Carrington. Niece April Thurman Ballard & husband Matt. Special cousins Donna Parker Ayers Singleton & families, Rick & Elaine Parker McPherson, and families. Cara Beth Parker Morris & families. Penny Parker Lowrey & family. Suzanne Schneider & families. Janet & families. Ray McPherson & families, Bob McPherson & families. Special groups of friends include: The River crew, the Birthday club, Babysitters co-op, Carthage Service League, Alpha Delta Phi, CISD Education Foundation, Panola College board & cosmetology program & CPS board. Memorials can be made in her honor to Panola College or the First Methodist Church of Carthage. The family would like to extend a special thanks to her caregivers over the years as well as Briarcliff Skilled Nursing Facility in Carthage and their exceptional care of Mrs. Ivey.

Cremation arrangements were entrusted to Hawthorn Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JAN 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Methodist Church - Carthage  
201 S. Shelby  
Carthage, TX 75633

## Memorial Service

JAN 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church - Carthage  
201 S. Shelby  
Carthage, TX

## Reception

JAN 21 (CT)

First Methodist Church - Carthage

# Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs Sharon Thurman Ivey



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**Hawthorn Funeral Home** - January 19, 2023 at 12:14 PM

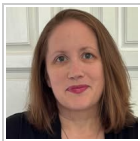


“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs Sharon Thurman Ivey.



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September 15, 2023 at 10:36 PM



“ Mrs. Ivey was my kindergarten teacher at Poe. My family had just moved to Houston. Her warmth and sense of humor will remain with me always. I will never forget her. Condolences to you, Erin. Lisa Rothstein Goldberg

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**Lisa Goldberg** - February 20, 2023 at 05:55 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs Sharon Thurman Ivey.



January 20, 2023 at 02:33 PM

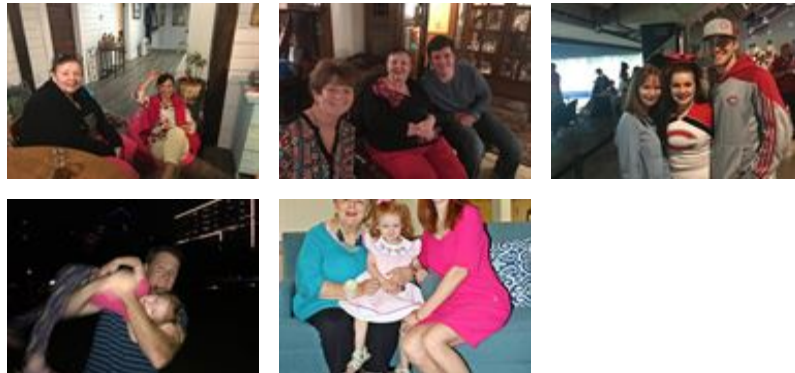


“ I worked with Sharon at Panola College. She was such a sweet lady and loved her students.

Shelley Caraway - January 20, 2023 at 01:11 PM



“ 49 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - January 19, 2023 at 12:00 PM

PD

“ Erin, my prayers are with you and your precious family!!!! Sharon was one of the funniest people I ever met. She was so much fun to be around and you never knew what story she was going to tell, which she got honestly from her mother, who was also a hoot!! I remember one time she called me and wanted me to go to the show with her and her mother in Longview to see "Evita". which her mother said when the show started, quite loudly, you didn't tell me it was going to be an OPERA!! It was quite an experience,!! We were sitting in the show and all of a sudden she pulled some leftover salad out of her purse, and said she didn't get to finish it and knew the show didn't have any salad! I just died laughing and knew she was going to be one of those friends who would keep you entertained and that she did. I loved Sharon and miss her a lot. Sharon knew everybody!! When I first met her she was telling me that she had lived in Houston and I told her I was from Conroe, and she proceeded to tell me that her late husband had been a partner in business with a couple from Conroe, named Lollie and Raymond Duroy. I told her I had gone to school with Lollie from Kindergarten to graduation in high school and that immediately gave us a common bond. I could tell many stories about Sharon because she was one of those people you will never forget!! I love you Sharon, and miss you, Rest in Peace Sweet Friend!

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**Patty Dawson** - December 13, 2022 at 02:23 PM

JQ

“ Sharon was a substitute at CHS when I started teaching, and she was one of my best friends during my 7 years there. She was a beautiful light everywhere she went, and such a character. Erin, you and your kiddos were her pride and joy, and she loved you all so much. I will miss her, and I know so many others will too. Rest in peace, sweet lady.

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**Jayne Q.** - December 09, 2022 at 11:06 PM

BB

“ There wasn't a friendlier lady in Carthage. Each time I saw Sharon, she had the most welcoming smile. She was quite a character and I enjoyed visiting with her. She was so proud of Erin and her family and loved them with all of her heart. Heaven has gained a precious lady. Prayers for all of her sweet family.

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**Brad and Becky Blair** - December 09, 2022 at 11:01 PM

RS

“ She was absolutely one of my favorite people. She always had a smile for everyone. She will be greatly missed.

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**Rebecca Ramsey Spain** - December 09, 2022 at 09:42 PM

JA

“ Sharon was oe of my favorite cutomers at Factory Connection. She and her daughter in law, Grace Thurman with Liza and April would brighten up any day. Sending love and prayers to all the family.

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**Judy Agnew** - December 09, 2022 at 07:15 PM

SM

“ My most favorite memory was a quote she would say to the students when she and I were substituting together at Carthage High School. She'd say, "Thank you, you are the best, better than all the rest." It has become a part of my vocabulary. She was so much fun to be around. Our viewpoints didn't always line up, but she respected mine and I respected hers. I am sorry for your loss dear April.

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**Shawn McVay** - December 09, 2022 at 06:23 PM

DJ

*Sharon was the most positive lady. She knew everyone and was so much fun. Loved thrift shopping with her! Prayers to her family and many friends!*

**Donna Jones** - December 09, 2022 at 06:39 PM

MB

*Condolences to the family! Sharon was one of a kind and she was loved by so many and I loved her and her family,*

**Maurine Briggs** - December 10, 2022 at 02:32 PM



*I knew Sharon many years ago when Erin attended Poe Elementary in Houston. She was endless fun to be around - so many stories, so much affection for so many people. My condolences to Erin and her family.*

**Mary Barone** - December 11, 2022 at 11:00 AM

DS

*My condolences to her family and friends. May God's peace be with you. She was my friend and I visited her in the nursing home. We would talk & I would pray with her.*

*Dr. Arnold Shrewsbury, Pastor  
Crosspoint Church, Carthage*

**Dr. Arnold Shrewsbury** - December 13, 2022 at 12:49 PM

KS

*Sharon was truly a joy. I have so many treasured memories of her wonderful stories and our laughter. Sharon was a gift from the Lord to students and adults. I wish I could be half the teacher she was.*

*Kimberly Shadowens December 14 at 730 PM*

**Kimberly Shadowens** - December 14, 2022 at 08:29 PM

DB

*My dear, sweet friend, I will miss your presence in this world. We made too many memories to list, but every one was special because you were. Starting in third grade on Briarbend Drive, it doesn't seem possible that we go back that far. You were bigger than life and I hope you and Terry's souls are now reunited. Love you so so much and you will never be forgotten.*

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**Debbie Bossin Bailey** - January 13, 2023 at 06:15 PM