



Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh

August 19, 1942 - February 6, 2023

Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh passed away peacefully on February 6, 2023, surrounded by family and friends. Joy was born in Tipton, Oklahoma on August 19, 1942, to Marshall Terry (Mutt) and Dorothy Jo (Beggs) Kittrell. Joy married the love of her life, Ralph F. Rodibaugh in Roswell on May 8th, 1969, and shared 53 wonderful years together raising 4 children. Joy was not only a loving mother to her children and grandchildren but also helped to raise her siblings.

Joy worked at Levi Strauss for 25 years before the company closed. After Levi Strauss closed, Joy went back to school in her 60's to fulfill a childhood dream of becoming a nurse which she accomplished with the highest of honors, Summa Cum Laude. She had a big heart and loved taking care of the children while working at Eastern New Mexico Medical Center. Joy was an active supporter of the Guardsmen & Families of the New Mexico National Guard receiving the Honorable Order of Molly Pitcher award.

Joy was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church and enjoyed Bible school studies with her Christian family and made it a part of her daily life to read her Bible. She made sure to pass God's love to everyone she knew and lived her life faithfully serving her Lord. She is loved and will be missed by many.

She is survived by her husband Ralph Rodibaugh of Roswell, son Jimmy Stout (Debbie) of Roswell, son Keith Rodibaugh (Shanna) of Roswell, daughter Karen Harkness of Weatherford, TX, granddaughter Brittany Kilness of Artesia, grandson Kenneth Kilness (Savanah) of Hagerman, granddaughter

Heidi Rodibaugh of Roswell, grandson Nathan Rodibaugh (Glenda) of Roswell, grandson Austin Kilness of Weatherford, TX, sister Lucille Neely (Charles) of Lubbock, TX as well as 6 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her daughter Sherilyn Stout, sister Kay Reed (Willie) and brother Roy Kittrell. A celebration of life will be held on Friday, February 10, 2023, at 11:00am at Bethel Baptist Church, 2420 N. Garden Ave, Roswell, NM.

Joy's family would like to thank the nursing staff of Kindred Hospice for their compassionate care over the past several months. Their loving support helped to brighten her days and will always be remembered as a blessing to us all.

Psalm 30

I will exalt You, Lord, because You have lifted me up and have not allowed my enemies to triumph over me. Lord, my God, I cried to You for help and You healed me. Lord, You brought me up from the grave. You spared me from going down into the Pit. Sing to the Lord you, His faithful ones, and praise His holy name. For His anger lasts only a moment, but His favor, a lifetime. Weeping may spend the night, but there is joy in the morning. When I was secure, I said, "I will never be shaken." Lord, when You showed Your favor, You made me stand like a strong mountain; when You hid Your face, I was terrified. Lord, I called to You, I sought favor from my Lord: "What gain is there in my death, in my descending to the pit? Will the dust praise You? Will it proclaim Your truth? Lord, listen and be my Helper." You turned my lament into dancing; You removed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, so that I can sing to You and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise You forever.

COME WITH ME

By Rhonda Braswell

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He put His arms around you
And whispered 'Come with Me.'

With tearful eyes
We watched you suffer
And saw you fade away,
Although we loved you dearly
We could not make you stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove
He only takes the best.

It's lonesome here without you,
We miss you more each day,
Life doesn't seem the same
Since you've gone away.

When days are sad and lonely
And everything goes wrong,
We seem to hear you whisper
'Cheer up and carry on.'

Each time we see your picture,

You seem to smile and say
'Don't cry, I'm in God's keeping
We'll meet again someday.'

You never said 'I'm leaving',
You never said goodbye,
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knew why.

A million times we needed you,
A million times we cried,
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.

In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still ,
In our hearts you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill.

It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home

Tribute Wall



“ Christmas hits different without you. Putting out your decorations makes you feel closer.



Brittany Kilness - January 10 at 01:44 PM

Jl

“ Jimmy lit a candle in memory of Joy Rodibaugh



Jimmy - October 26, 2025 at 08:07 PM

Jl

“ 5 months and I miss you more each and every day! I thank God that I was blessed with such a loving mother and wonderful family and that our memories stay with us forever.



Jimmy - July 06, 2023 at 07:06 PM

Jl

“ Jimmy sent a virtual gift in memory of Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh



Jimmy - May 15, 2023 at 04:15 PM

Jl

Not a minute goes by that I don't miss your beautiful smile and warm heart! I am blessed that we have so many wonderful memories and know that you are watching over us and keeping us safe until we reunite in Heaven. I love you so much!

Jimmy - May 15, 2023 at 04:19 PM

Jl

“ Jimmy sent a virtual gift in memory of Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh



Jimmy - April 06, 2023 at 11:05 AM

Jl

I miss you so much mom and think of you every minute of every day!

Jimmy - April 06, 2023 at 11:07 AM

Jl

“ Jimmy sent a virtual gift in memory of Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh



Jimmy - March 14, 2023 at 11:11 PM

JI

“ Jimmy lit a candle in memory of Joy
Marshalyne Rodibaugh



Jimmy - March 06, 2023 at 09:44 PM

BK

“ We were so incredibly lucky to have you. Thank you for being such
an amazing matriarch and for all you've done for me and for our
whole family. I hope I can live the rest of my life in a way that honors
your legacy.



Brittany Kilness - February 20, 2023 at 09:36 PM

FS

“ Ralph, my sincere condolences to the Rodibaugh family on the loss
of Joy's passing. Ralph and I served in the NM National Guard A
Btry, Roswell. You and your family will be in our thoughts and
prayers.

*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine up
her. May her sol, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through
the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

*SFC Freddie Sosa, Ret
Lakeland, Florida*

Freddie Sosa - February 12, 2023 at 11:17 AM

TD

“ *Troy & Shauna Daffern lit a candle in memory of Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh*



Troy & Shauna Daffern - February 11, 2023 at 02:50 PM

HE

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Heidi - February 10, 2023 at 11:28 PM

MG

“ *I remember Joy coming to Bethel every Sunday up until she got sick. She always had a smile on her face. She surely did love her kids and grandchildren. Joy has touched so many hearts with her love and compassion. She will be missed by all whom she touched.*

Michelle Graham - February 09, 2023 at 06:18 PM

KR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



KEITH Rodibaugh - February 09, 2023 at 01:47 PM

KR

A memory that cometo mind. In 1979 Dad bought mom her first brand new car, a short time after it started raining like a lot pretty soon the yard floded then the street. Mom said OK kids get in the car so we did at the time Dad worked as a radio and TV repairman. I asked mom why are we doing this? Her reply still rings in my ear. We got to get to Ralph if we're going to die in this flood we're gonna be together.

KEITH Rodibaugh - February 09, 2023 at 02:07 PM

KR

“ I wanna stroll over heaven with you mama. God has called you there to make it even better. I love you and still feel your presence right here watching every step we make.



KEITH Rodibaugh - February 09, 2023 at 01:45 PM

KN

“ Aunt Joy my life is filled with memories of spending time at your house, making pan fried potatos and hanging out with all of my cousins. The love and joy that filled that home resonates with me to this day. A testament to the amazing mother and wife you were. Thank you for always driving to Lubbock to visit and show up for life's special occasions. Having your support and love throughout my life meant so much to me. You never missed an opportunity to show you cared. ❤️

Kristen Neely - February 08, 2023 at 07:45 AM

LU

“ Dear Sister I am going to miss you so much till we are reunited in glory, I know you are celebrating with mom and our siblings and your sweet daughter. You were as much a mom as a sister and I will be forever great full for the lessons you have taught me over my live time on how to be a mom and a wife. You were amazing sister and will never be forgotten.

Lucille - February 07, 2023 at 10:02 PM

SC

“ You were a wonderful loving mother, even to those who weren't yours. I know you will be missed by so many. All my love and prayers to you all, I know her loss will be felt forever..

Stacey Cavanaugh - February 07, 2023 at 08:46 PM

KH

“ Oh momma... you have wowed us all! Your beauty, strength, perseverance, determination, strength , kindness and of course a very giving heart. I'm whom I am because you never have up. You are the most beautiful woman in my world! Love you forever and ever!

Karen Harkness - February 07, 2023 at 07:48 PM

JG

Karen I am so sorry to hear of your moms passing. Praying for you all.

Janet (Torres) Garcia - February 07, 2023 at 08:25 PM

RG

“ Robert & Sheila Glass lit a candle in memory of Joy Marshalyne Rodibaugh



Robert & Sheila Glass - February 07, 2023 at 06:45 PM

Jl

“ Such a beautiful and loving mother. Thank you for making me the man that I am today and for always taking care of our family. You have given me more blessings than I can count and will always treasure your love.

Jimmy - February 07, 2023 at 04:50 PM