



## Martha L. Fry

June 9, 1950 - August 27, 2024

Martha Lou “Marty” Fry

Martha Fry (Marty) 74 of Roswell, NM, went into the arms of Jesus on August 27, 2024, after a long and well-fought battle with autoimmune disease. She was surrounded by family as she peacefully passed from this world. Please share a kind thought or memory with Marty’s family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

Marty was born in Roswell, NM, on June 9, 1950, to Leroy and Jeanne Fry who preceded her in death. She attended Roswell schools and graduated from Goddard High in 1968.

Marty worked as an administrative assistant and receptionist. Before retirement she was often referred to as “the voice of Rio Pecos.” She was a member of Christ’s Church, Roswell, NM.

Marty was known for her wit and wonderful sense of humor. She wrote skits for the women’s ministry at Christ’s Church as well as writing a humor filled book “Green Chile Grannies”. Her family remembers her always sending funny cards and finding the most unique gifts.

She was happy and filled with joy even through her many health challenges. Marty was appreciative of her blessings in life and always unpretentious. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She loved to be with family and had fun participating in games like the free throw contest and a turkey shoot at Thanksgiving. She loved Korean movies, swimming and reading. She especially loved her dear friends including Pat

Stuart, Debi Rodgers and her reunions with the 1968 GHS Queenagers. Those left to eternally treasure and cherish memories of Marty are her son, David Fry of Rio Rancho; her sister, Jody Alpers (Greg) of Roswell; her brothers-in-law: Jim Milstead of Suwanee, GA, and Clyde Forbes of Colleyville, TX; her nephews: Dale Forbes (Valarie) Azle, TX, Greg Milstead (Allison), Mike Milstead (Denise) Cummings, GA, and Kyle Alpers (Casey) Roswell, NM; nieces: Leslie Forbes Colleyville, TX, Kim LaDuca (Chris), and Emily Grant (Caleb) of Roswell, NM; aunt, Betty Boellner Jones; cousin, Randy Jones of Scottsdale AZ; great nephews: Randy Forbes (Taylor), Scott Forbes (Katy) Ft. Worth TX, Corbin Alpers, Jabyn LaDuca, Cooper Alpers, Colin Alpers, Hudson Grant and Jake Grant all of Roswell, Holton Milstead of Cummings, GA, and Ashton Ikard, Dallas, TX; great nieces: Tevya LaDuca of Roswell, NM, and Alyssa, Megan, Brianna, Kaylin and Addison Milstead from Cummings, GA.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Leroy and Jeanne Fry; her sisters: Linda Milstead and Susan Forbes; and her brother, Charlie Fry.

Honoring Marty's request, a family gathering will be held later to honor her memory.

The family would like to thank Lovelace Hospital, especially Dr. Bob Rader, Dr. Oscar Hernandez and Teri Pults, Comfort Keepers, Gentiva Hospice and Interim HealthCare, Pastors of Christ's Church: Gerry Chavez, Lonnie Owens and Chris LaDuca.

Memorial donations may be made to Christ's Church, 2200 N Sycamore, Roswell, NM 88201, the Roswell Community Kitchen, PO Box 3010, Roswell, NM 88202 or the Assurance Home, 1000 East 18th Street, Roswell, NM 88201.

A message from Marty to her family (and all) "Be kind to each other and remember, prayer, sleep and laughter are the best medicines."

"I know there is a table prepared for me and I look forward to washing dishes in heaven" (She was our head dishwasher at family gatherings)

Each week as she watched church from home, she loved when Pastor Gerry

would bless her by saying:

“May the Lord bless you and keep you and make his face shine upon you and give you peace.”

Marty’s tribute was lovingly written by her family.

# Tribute Wall

RG

“ *Marty will be definitely missed and her lovely voice. She was a wonderful coworker always cheerful, always positive and fun to be around with. Just listening to her smiling voice always made my day! My deepest condolences go out to all her family!*  
*Rebecca Garcia / Rio Pecos*

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**Rebecca Garcia** - September 16, 2024 at 08:09 PM

JD

“ *Marty has been my next door neighbor for 8 years and was the funniest, kindest person ...I just loved her .... we discovered a few years back (after her high school reunion) that she had known and graduated with my little sister .... I am going to miss her terrible....*

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**Janice Dupree** - September 10, 2024 at 08:17 AM

JO

“ *Marty was so much fun especially when we were little kids!! I'm sure we got in all sorts of trouble!! I'm certainly going to miss her!! My prayers are with you Jody and David. Love you.*

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**Jane Ann Oldrup** - September 08, 2024 at 05:06 PM

MC

“Marty was one of the north Washington-Bay Meadows neighborhood kids that had so much fun together before any of us had driver's licenses. It seems that many of us were together on many summer nights just out on the curb and in the street playing games and visiting. Circa 1963-1965. The crew included such luminarias as Bobby Dodson, Scott McNally, John Carnes, Kim Hibbard, Tommy Pruitt, Jimmy Lowry, Mike Carrigan, Mark Anderson, Robbie Baldinell, and others. The Beach Boys were in soon followed by the Beatles. We all had so much fun together and remained friends forever regardless of the paths each took. Marty was our sweetheart, classy and funny and one of us. She will never will be forgotten. Nor should she be.  
God bless, Marty Fry.  
Mike C

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**Mike Carrigan** - September 07, 2024 at 06:34 PM

YA

*Your neighborhood was something special!*

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**Yates Abby** - September 26, 2024 at 08:31 PM

MD

“Melanie D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martha L. Fry.

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**Melanie D.** - September 06, 2024 at 09:51 PM

TF

“Marty was my very first girlfriend, that was before we knew what boy and girl friends were. She has always had a flicker in my heart as a friend. Marty was one of a kind and everyone knew just how special she was. We would see each other once in a while and always had a sweet conversation. Marty Fry you will be remembered and missed tremendously.

Tommy Fowler - September 06, 2024 at 02:55 PM

MD

Marty was a great neighbor and good friend to everyone. We had an empty lot between our house and the Frys in which we built a neighborhood baseball diamond. Too many balls ended up in their yard. Marty was always out playing ball with the boys, “kick the can” or whatever else was happening in the “hood”. She was always one of the guys. Felt blessed to have known her.

Mike Dodson - September 07, 2024 at 01:18 PM

KI

“I only knew Marty for a short time her smile and laugh would always brighten my day. May God give her family comfort during this time.



Kimberly - September 06, 2024 at 12:45 PM

AW

“Marty was always full of joy! My favorite memory was how she always sent pretty flowers to us on the first day of school! She became like a special sister to me. May God’s comfort be over all the family at this time.

Angie Warren - September 06, 2024 at 11:09 AM

CR

“Marty was one of the kindest sweetest people I've ever known. I had the pleasure of graduating with her from Goddard, where she was a blast! In later years I did her hair for a while and had lunch when we could get together. I love calling Rio Pecos and hearing her voice. To her family, I am so sorry for your loss. I know you will miss her so much. May God bless each of you and comfort you in your time of grief! Cheryl Reed

Cheryl Reed - September 06, 2024 at 11:00 AM

AG

“Marty was a very beautiful woman inside and out she will be forever remembered and missed my condolences to you all

Amber Garlinger - September 05, 2024 at 10:04 PM

AS

“Andy Sedillo lit a candle in memory of Martha Fry



Andy Sedillo - September 05, 2024 at 04:03 PM

BS

“Ben sanchez lit a candle in memory of Martha Fry



Ben sanchez - September 03, 2024 at 01:27 PM

MO

“ *Monica sent a virtual gift in memory of Martha Fry*



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**Monica** - August 30, 2024 at 03:56 PM