



## Marie Crossley

January 1, 1946 - December 12, 2016

### Marie T. Schlumbrecht Crossley

Marie T. Crossley lost her battle with cancer on December 12, 2016. She died peacefully at home at the age of 70. She was born in New Orleans, Louisiana to her late parents Robert William and Shirley Marie Truxillo Schlumbrecht on January 1, 1946. In September of 1964 she met Burton Crossley and they were married in January of 1965. They moved to north Texas in 1968. Together they raised three children, Jeffery, Leah and Tamara. She was primarily a homemaker although when the children were older she did some substitute teaching and later worked in retail. After her Mother died in 1985, Marie became very interested in her genealogy and devoted many years to researching and compiling her and her husband's lineage. This effort, along with associations she formed while doing so, led to her being accepted into the Daughters of the American Revolution, Richard Bard Chapter, Mesquite, Texas in 1992. She spent many years involved with the DAR, and other societies, fulfilling many positions during this time. During her later years she enjoyed planning trips and traveling with her husband. Most of all she enjoyed doing for her family. In addition to her parents and grandparents, she was preceded in death by several Aunts and Uncles. Marie is survived by her husband, Burton Crossley, of Elmo, TX; children: Jeff and Katie Crossley, Terrell, TX, Leah and Brian Sandlin, Greenville TX, Tamara and Shea Gillespie, Greenville TX. Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren: Gaines, Chase and Monika, Allyson and Eric, Amber, Riley and Savannah, Arron and Leticia, Mason, Clayton, Matthew, Cade, Sophia, Paige, Valentina, Wendy, Ava, Melody, Laurel, Skylar, and Ethan. Her brothers and sisters: Barbara, Ann, Bobby, Jimmy, Kathy, Lisa and Paul. She will also be dearly missed by a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral service will be held at 1:00pm, Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at Elmo Cemetery. The family will receive friends Monday, December 19, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Brain Cancer Association or Elmo Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 124, Elmo TX, 75118.

# Cemetery

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## Elmo Cemetery

CR 352

Elmo, TX, 75161

# Events

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**DEC** **Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations

642 N Rockwall Avenue, Terrell, TX, US, 75160

**DEC** **Funeral Service** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ Sweet Tess I will miss you so much you have left us way too soon. I am so grateful I had a big sister like you and will always remember your contagious laughter and smiling face heaven gained another Angel you will always be close to my heart and I wish I could have given you one last hug and kiss rip my sweet sister our lives won't be the same without you I love you so very much love your lil sis Kathy

**kathy rostiguez** - December 20, 2016 at 11:22 PM

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“ My heart grieves today just as all of our family and friends grieve, but I don't grieve for Mom, I grieve for us as a family and friends that will miss her. Especially for my Dad, Husband of the Home for 51 years, her loving, patient care-taker for the last 14 months We grieve her as our Matriarch. But I won't Grieve for Mom. Mom is Home in Heaven. On December 12th at 4:50 a.m., this is the verse that came in my email : In Heaven we will be Home at Last - Hebrews 11:13-16. I can personally say I've never read Hebrews 11, but I have read it this morning and I will continue to read it. Enjoy Heaven Mom, I will see you some day!! #CANCERSUCKS2015 #MOMISHOME2016 Love you!! Your Middle Child aka Leah Jane

**Leah Sandlin** - December 20, 2016 at 09:27 AM

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“ I am very saddened by your loss. Marie lived a full life and was an inspiration to me and many others. She was instrumental in my becoming a member of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). My sympathy and prayers are with you.

Sandra Jeffus

**Sandra Jeffus** - December 19, 2016 at 08:57 PM

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“ The time has come to bid farewell to you my dear sister.you fought a good fight and you were so brave but now it is time for you to rest.we won't have to worry anymore about whether you are in pain or not.I know that you are having a great time in heaven and safe in the arms of Jesus.enjoy your reunion with Màmà and Grandma and all of our loved ones who greeted you on Monday.Unti we meet again I will enjoy the memories of the sister visits and the sister trips and the our childhood memories.Rest peace my dear sister.Your big sis Barbara loves you now and forever.

**Barbara Smith** - December 18, 2016 at 10:57 PM

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“ Garden of Memories was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 18, 2016 at 08:34 PM

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“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 18, 2016 at 02:42 PM

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“ Mr. & Mrs. Darryl Smith and Family. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marie Crossley.



**Mr. & Mrs. Darryl Smith and Family.** - December 18, 2016 at 11:07 AM

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“ My dear dear big sister, I didn't want you to go. I, like everyone in your family, wanted you here a little longer. We wanted that miracle that would heal you and keep you here but God had another plan.

So I, along with everyone else, will have to try and accept that His will was done. I have my memories, oh sooooo many memories, that I will always carry in my heart. Major milestones in my life thanks to you and Jack. My first plane ride, my first trip to the mountains, my first horse back riding trip, my first really sore rear end from said horseback riding trip, Indian PowWows, and so many other adventures. I'll never be able to count the times we laughed till we cried or cried till we laughed.

Jimmy said it best the other day, "we've lost a piece of ourselves". The 8 Schlumbrecht kids are now 7. It doesn't sound right sister.

I'll never say good by I'll just say I'll see you later. Give mom and grandma big hugs for me.

You'll forever be in my heart big sister.

Love, your little sister.

**Alicia Schlumbrecht Huguene** - December 17, 2016 at 11:13 PM



“ Oh Dear Aunt Lisa... just to let you know.. the shaving cream you gave Dad for his 70th .. is still in the house... Not sure about any Pop Toys.. LOL.. Love you!!

**Leah** - December 18, 2016 at 12:10 AM



“ Growing up, it was always a fun weekend treat to head out to Uncle Burt and Aunt Tessie's place: for us suburbanites, traipsing around the yard, fishing in the tank, and (of course) shooting fireworks on the 4th were always highlights of the month and made for great stories when we got home. And then there was always the food, always well-organized by Aunt Tessie...I think I first had Rotel-Velveeta dip at her house and it was definitely the only place I could go for oyster stuffing!

Nowadays, we don't make it back to Texas much, but I always enjoyed bringing my family out to see however many Crossleys my Aunt Tessie could round up, which was usually all of 'em within a 100 mile radius. Throughout our lives, our trials and tribulations, Aunt Tessie always made us feel welcome and provided a great blueprint for "family". We were honored to have her and Uncle Burt over for dinner when they did their west coast tour...my wife's an amazing cook and it was great fun to share a meal of paella, chorizo, and other tapas with them, and even more fun when they helped us indulge our boys with a particularly challenging game of Clue!

Aunt Tessie has been in our thoughts and our hearts for some time and, while there is now an infinite sadness over our loss, I am also finding joy in remembering her life well lived. I am sure everyone has valuable and vibrant memories of my dear aunt and I hope that everyone is taking solace in remembering her through our life lived together.

Peace and love to you all.

**Jesse Crossley** - December 17, 2016 at 02:46 PM



“ Tess, You were always more than a sister in law. You were my friend and I won't ever forget how you cared for not only me but my children as well. There are no words to express the loss I feel, but there are many happy memories of you and the person you were to always keep you alive in my heart. Jack and the kids are strong and will be ok so you just rest in peace and be as you have always been "A Guardian Angel for Us All".

Love You Always  
Donna Schlumbrecht



donna schlumbrecht - December 16, 2016 at 08:48 PM

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“ 111 files added to the album LifeTributes



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - December 16, 2016 at 03:42 PM

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“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 16, 2016 at 11:22 AM

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“ I'm sorry for your loss. I know Marie is at peace. My prayers go out to the family at this difficult time.

**Karen Donawho** - December 15, 2016 at 10:27 PM

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**Leah Sandlin** - December 15, 2016 at 10:15 PM



“ Tessie  
Sometimes the words are hard to find  
so let me simply say  
Dear Sister I Love you.and will miss you so much.

Your Sister Ann

**Ann Beown** - December 16, 2016 at 03:50 PM

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“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 15, 2016 at 01:36 PM

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“ Tessie our hearts are broken forever  
People tell us that in time the pieces will eventually come back together  
If this is true, though hard to believe now, there will always be a space  
The piece to which has your name on its place  
You had so much to look forward to and so much left to do  
But God needed somebody in heaven who is as special as you  
You have been released from pain and suffering, you have been set free  
And from life as we knew it, it was time for you to take your final bow  
Farewell my dear big sister. You will be missed immeasurably. I hope we find some  
solace within our grief and sadness to know that you're in Mom's arms and you are  
together.  
Your little Brother  
Paul

Paul Schlumbrecht - December 15, 2016 at 11:42 AM

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“ Marie was a blessing to everyone who met her, especially her DAR sisters. Always  
willing to share her knowledge and love of genealogy, she was quick to help anyone  
in need. May the Lord send his angels to support your family during this difficult time.



Denise Lucas - December 15, 2016 at 09:43 AM

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“ The Crossleys, Gardiners & Birneys purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for  
the family of Marie Crossley.



The Crossleys, Gardiners & Birneys - December 15, 2016 at 09:10 AM

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“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 14, 2016 at 10:26 PM

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“ I'm so sorry for your lose. I would tell you that I understand what it's like when you lose a loved one to Glioblastoma, (I lost my husband 3 months ago to Glio and Lepto disease) except each one of us is different. It hurts tremendously, but Marie is okay now.

Marie was my first exposure to DAR. She embraced me and took me under her wing. She WAS the reason I joined DAR. I have many pictures of her and she loved taking pictures, so she probably has a few of me.

I'm praying for your comfort and peace during this difficult time.

Joyce Phillips

**Joyce Phillips** - December 14, 2016 at 10:14 PM

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“ I didn't know Marie all that well. Only visited with her a couple of times that I can remember. But she was always sweet, very loving and caring and never went without a smile. She came to my father's memorial service in April when he passed even though her health wasn't the best. I just wish I could return the favor. My condolences go out to her family. Rest easy sweet lady.

**Dustin Burke** - December 14, 2016 at 07:05 PM

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“ Marie was a true friend, a great help to me in DAR matters, and just plain fun to be around. May her family feel God's comforting arms around them.

**Sue Gibson** - December 14, 2016 at 04:54 PM

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“ Marie was a precious lady and it was an honor to have known her through our association in the DAR and through our shared love of genealogy. She will be missed!

Debbie Stuart  
Richard Bard Chapter, NSDAR

Debbie Stuart - December 14, 2016 at 04:52 PM

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“ Connie, Cass, and Charissa purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Marie Crossley.



Connie, Cass, and Charissa - December 14, 2016 at 12:14 PM

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“ What a beautiful woman. I am honored and blessed to have known her. Her smile lit up the room.

Skyla Langston - December 14, 2016 at 11:00 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 14, 2016 at 10:04 AM

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“ I remember her reddish blonde hair whizzing past you, such sweet energy. Spunky like her Mom. Bless your sweet soul Tess!

Marie Weixel - December 14, 2016 at 09:44 AM

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“ Tina Schlumbrecht sent a virtual gift in memory of Marie Crossley



tina schlumbrecht - December 14, 2016 at 09:14 AM

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“ Tina Schlumbrecht lit a candle in memory of Marie Crossley



tina schlumbrecht - December 14, 2016 at 09:13 AM

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“ I will always remember the summers I spent with my aunt tessie and my cousins . I rememberhaving to go pick the vegetables from the garden before we could play and enjoy our day I will miss you dearly aunt Tessie.

tina schlumbrecht - December 14, 2016 at 09:12 AM

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“ My memories are all the great and fun times we had as kids growing up in the projects on Bartholomew street. I also remember Tessey having to wear the eye patch over one eye and as soon as she left the house, she would peel the tape away and take the patch off, she hated that patch, wonderful times we all had playing till the street lights came on. Also remember aunt Shirley cooking Red Fish and putting in all those boiled eggs in the sauce.

Ray



Ray - December 14, 2016 at 07:02 AM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Crossley.



December 13, 2016 at 08:19 PM

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“ I probably would not have joined DAR were it not for the effort & encouragement of Marie. Blessings to her family....

Shirleen Reese  
Richard Bard Chapter  
NSDAR

Shirleen Reese - December 13, 2016 at 08:18 PM

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**Errol and Carolyn Zimmerman** - December 13, 2016 at 06:49 PM



“ Love it!! Thanks Errol & Carolyn for sharing!!

**Leah** - December 13, 2016 at 07:04 PM



“ Oh my goodness! Her beautiful smile! Thank you.

**Tamara Gillespie** - December 13, 2016 at 07:26 PM



“ Beautiful!

**Jeff** - December 14, 2016 at 04:06 AM



“ I had the privilege of knowing Tessie as a fun loving mature adult and as a fun loving mischievous little girl who was one of my dearest cousins. We grew up together living next door to each other for many years and going to the same grade school. Her mother, Aunt Shirley, was like a second mother to me and my brothers and sisters. We always had fun playing together over the years. One of my fondest memories of those long ago happy years was when me and my brothers along with Tessie and her sisters and brothers plugged up the drainage holes on the porch of our home in the projects and filled the porch with as much water as we could without flooding the living room and we all went swimming in the porch "swimming pool". Tessie will be sorely missed by all who knew her. Rest in Peace my dear cousin and keep smiling down on all of us!

Bill Kahrs

**Bill Kahrs** - December 14, 2016 at 05:13 PM