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August 15, 1949 - March 16, 2014

Maura Lyn Apfel Free passed away early Sunday morning, March 16, 2014 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was a resident of the Houston area for more than three decades.

Ms. Free was born on August 15, 1949 in San Antonio, Texas. Her formal education included a Bachelors of Science in Health Care Services from University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. She was a lifelong student of the sciences and took pride to educate others in dentistry and the thirst for knowledge to high school students.

Ms. Free was extremely active in the community and was passionate of helping others in need. She was active and volunteered in organizations such as March of Dimes, Project Joy and Hope, Special Olympics, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and the After School Program and Daughters of the King at the St. Johns Episcopal Church in La Porte, TX.

Ms. Free is survived by her husband, Roy; daughters, Elizabeth (Austin, TX) and Naurene (Seabrook, TX); her older brother Buddy (Phoenix, AZ) and her sister Trudy Weaver (Houston, TX). Her survivors also include many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, cousins, professional colleagues, former students, and dear friends.

In lieu of flowers, friends are encouraged to direct memorial gifts to Houston SPCA and Project Joy and Hope.



## Obituary

**Maura Lyn Free**

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Maura loved so many people and wanted to share this quote with them, "don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."



## Tribute Wall

**Maura Lyn Free**

MP

**Marcy, Steve And Lauren Barr Of La Porte, Tx** posted:

Maura touched so many lives at Bayshore Elementary and again at LPHS. Her upbeat personality and positive attitude rubbed off on us all. She was a wonderful friend, teacher and leader. She will truly be missed. Our thoughts are with her family.

March 22 at 7:00 PM

ML

**Michelle Milburn Of Clear Lake, Tx** posted:

Rene, your mom was always so kind and welcoming to me, even if a year or more had passed since the last time I had seen her. I am thinking about you and your family, and if there is anything I can do to help, please call me.

March 21 at 7:00 PM

JF

**Joanne Kolius Of Florida** posted:

Maura was a special person. She was blessed to have so many wonderful friends and a close loving family. My thoughts are will all of you.

March 19 at 7:00 PM

JL

**Jamie Orlando Of Laporte** posted:

Maura was such a kind and gentle soul with a giving nature. She will be greatly missed by all of her former coworkers at LPHS.

March 19 at 7:00 PM

MP

**Marilyn Neumann Of La Porte, Tx** posted:

I worked with Maura at LPHS as well as worshipping with her at St. John's Episcopal Church. She was such a fun person to be around and such a hard & dedicated worker both at school and at church. Maura, you will be dearly missed. My heart goes out to Roy and the rest of the family. Prayers.....Marilyn Neumann

March 19 at 7:00 PM



## Tribute Wall

**Maura Lyn Free**

KP

**Kayla Pettis Of La Porte, Tx** posted:

Rene, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

March 18 at 7:00 PM

NP

**Nancy Ojeda Of La Porte** posted:

Maura was a former coworker - a beautiful soul! She touched many lives!

March 18 at 7:00 PM

CP

**Carl & Pam Gilman Of Deer Park, Tx** posted:

Carl & I so loved Maura and Roy. They are two of the nicest people one could know. We will so miss Maura and our heart goes out to Roy and the girls. You all will be in our thoughts and prayers for a very long time. God Bless U! Roy, we love U man. Carl & Pam Gilman

March 18 at 7:00 PM

IP

**Isabel Garza Of Deer Park, Tx** posted:

My condolences, I knew Maura from my daughter Kayla Chatos days...she was a beautiful person inside and out, may she rest in peace.

March 18 at 7:00 PM

CT

**Christy King Of Laporte, Texas** posted:

Maura, You were a great mentor to me as a young teacher, you taught me much about compassion and caring for the special students we taught in resource at Laporte High school. I will be forever grateful for your shining example.

March 18 at 7:00 PM

SH

**Sandra Strickhouser Of Houston** posted:

Maura's room was across from mine at LPHS. We had so many good times as hall buddies! She was a special person who gave so much love to her students and to her friends. The dedication and devotion she brought to education will be missed. My condolences to Roy and the family. Sandra Strickhouser

March 18 at 7:00 PM



## Tribute Wall

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**Sandi Wise** posted:

Sandi Wise has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.

March 18 at 7:00 PM



**Debbie Klein Of La Marque** posted:

I worked with Maura for many years at LPHS. She was an awesome teacher and friend. She has left a wonderful legacy in her family, friends and the students she taught. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

March 18 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Maura by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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