



Ms. Joan Grizzell

June 8, 1938 - July 24, 2025

With profound gratitude for her life, we announce the passing of Barbara Joan Lasseter Grizzell on July 24, 2025, after a courageous journey with congestive heart failure and atrial fibrillation.

She embodied the roles of devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, cherished sister, cousin, aunt, and loyal friend to many, leaving a positive mark on hearts. Born on June 8, 1938, near Waco, TX, to Jim and Amy Jane Lasseter, number 14 of 19 children, Joan was blessed to be part of a large, loving family that she adored. Her heart found joy in family gatherings at Cameron Park and time spent at various waterways.

After graduating from University High School, Joan married Jimmy Grizzell, Sr. and raised a family consisting of Barbara, Jimmy and Amy in Speegleville, TX. She had a strong passion for gardening, fishing, horseback riding, camping, and involvement in PTA and 4H clubs for kids. On the softball field, Joan was a star 2nd base player with the Waco Texans, earning numerous accolades. Family softball gatherings were legendary, with the Lasseters able to put two full teams on the field, each having a coach and one umpire. Joan also loved playing league volleyball and family weekend matches, as well as competitive card games and dominoes at family gatherings.

Throughout her life, Joan's faith in her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, remained unwavering. One of her final achievements was listening to the entire Bible, a testament to her spiritual dedication. Her love for movies was evident in her vast collection of favorite films.

Joan is survived by her son Jimmy Jr., grandson Nicholas Grizzell and his wife Sarah, granddaughters Emily, Libby, and Ellie Grizzell, Barbara's sons Scott and Corey, their wives Christi and Cathy Klingman, and Amy's sons Colton Golson, Jeffrey Pogue, and Greg and Michael Romeo, Great-grandchildren Grayson Faith Klingman, Whitley Ann Grizzell and Kaden Hogan. There are also numerous nieces and nephews and their families. Her son-in-law Darrel Klingman and his wife Judy were also part of her loving family as well as the whole Klingman family. They were very good to her.

Living sisters Audrey Martin, Patsy Childress, and Myrna Dyer, along with brothers and their wives Roy and Norvell, Gene Allen and Betty, Arthur and Penny, Clifford and Becky Lasseter, kept her heart full of loving memories. Preceding her in heaven were her daughters Barbara Klingman and Amy Romeo, parents Jim and Amy Jane Lasseter, sisters Paulina Hilton, Carol White, Cleo Robert, Dorothy Denney, Evelyn Eskew, Faye Lasseter, Nita Lasseter, Ruthie Lillard, and brothers Jerry, Weldon, and Jimmy Ray Lasseter. The compassionate care of Gentiva Hospice Services touched Joan's heart in her final months. Cremation services will be handled by McBride Funeral Home in Beaumont, TX. A Celebration of Life will be planned soon.

Condolences may be sent to 7959 Honeywood Trail #52, Port Arthur, TX 77642.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Heart Association or Farm Sanctuary in Watkins Glen, NY, would be meaningful.

Tribute Wall

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“ Love you Mimi ☐



Ellie Grizzell - July 30, 2025 at 09:45 AM

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“ We love and miss you so much Mimi ❤️

Elizabeth Grizzell - July 30, 2025 at 09:39 AM

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“ We miss you so much, Mimi 💕

Emily Grizzell - July 29, 2025 at 06:33 AM

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Emily Grizzell - July 29, 2025 at 06:32 AM

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“ *Jan Thymes sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Joan Grizzell*



Jan Thymes - July 25, 2025 at 09:22 AM

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Well done a faithful servant. you fought a good fight and now you have gained your wings in heaven. Sis. Joan, i will always remember your kindness and love that you showed me. (RIP)

*Sis. Jan Nickerson
St. John MBC.*

Jan Thymes - July 25, 2025 at 09:30 AM