

## Ms. Tammy Leigh Rhoton Howlett

February 1, 1963 - May 17, 2024

Tammy Leigh Rhoton Howlett was born in Lawrenceville, Virginia on February 1, 1963, and passed away on May 17, 2024 in Texas City, TX. Tammy grew up in Bristol, Virginia and graduated from John Battle High School in Bristol, VA, where she was a member of the Battle Band. Tammy attended East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, TN on a music scholarship. She was an accomplished musician having given many piano and flute recitals.

As a young adult, Tammy moved to Texas where she met her husband and established her career in respiratory therapy. She attended Alvin Community College in Alvin, TX where she studied and received her certification in respiratory Therapy. As her career unfolded, she found her true love was working with children, especially those at the Shriner's Hospital for Children in Galveston, TX where she was employed at the time of her death.

Tammy was preceded in death by her husband of 38 years, Robert Bruce Howlett and father, Frank Rhoton. Left to cherish her memory is her mother, Shirley Rhoton of Bristol, VA, four aunts: Linda Surber of Bristol, TN, Paula (Lyle) Shaffer of Bristol, TN, Judy (William) O'Brien of Butler, TN and Dot Rhoton Gilliam of Kingsport, TN. Also left to cherish her memory are a special niece, Krystal (Butch) Howlett Stringham of Port Lavaca, TX, as well as many cousins and special co-workers and friends.

Her family will host a Celebration of Life later in Bristol, Tennessee in addition to the Celebration of Life listed below.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

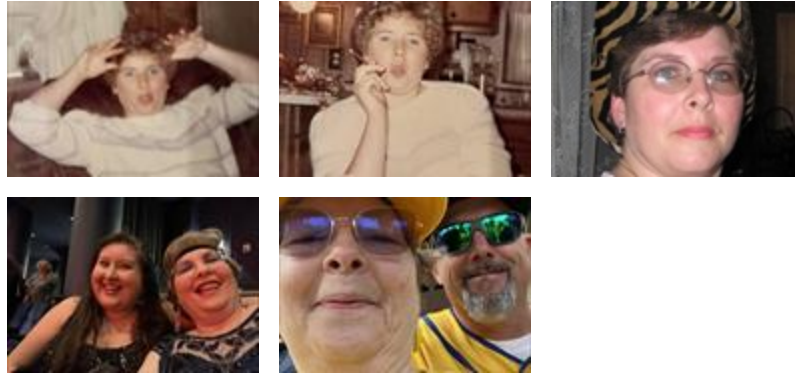
JUN **28**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Tortuga Mexican Kitchen  
4190 Seawall Blvd.  
Galveston, TX 77551

# Tribute Wall

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Krystal Howlett Stringham - May 30, 2024 at 08:17 PM

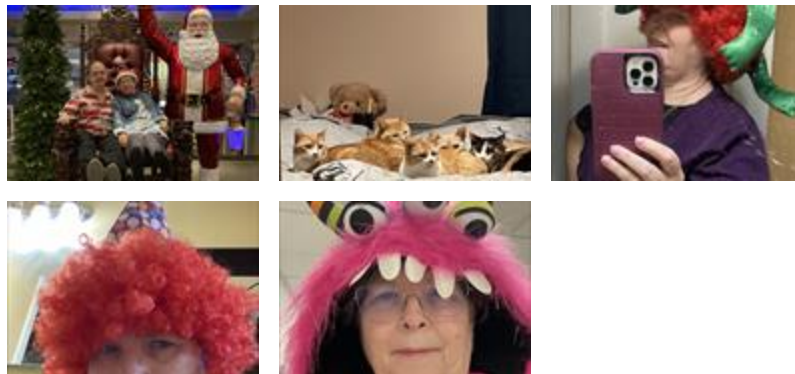
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*So many great memories .....*

Krystal Howlett Stringham - May 30, 2024 at 08:18 PM

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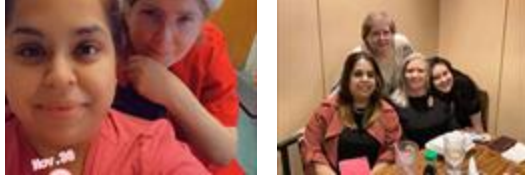
“ Tammy, a truly unique spirit who let her inner child out, full of wisdom, loved the children she took of care as a respiratory therapist, and incredible mother to her furbabies. Her marriage to Bruce was a pure example of true and sacrificial love. I am blessed to call you friend, I will carry your spirit 💜



Brandy - May 30, 2024 at 05:40 AM

CM

“ Tammy was a dear friend to me and coworker. We shared a love for taking care of sick children among other things. I loved her dearly.



Christina Casanova Marquez - May 29, 2024 at 09:00 AM

KJ

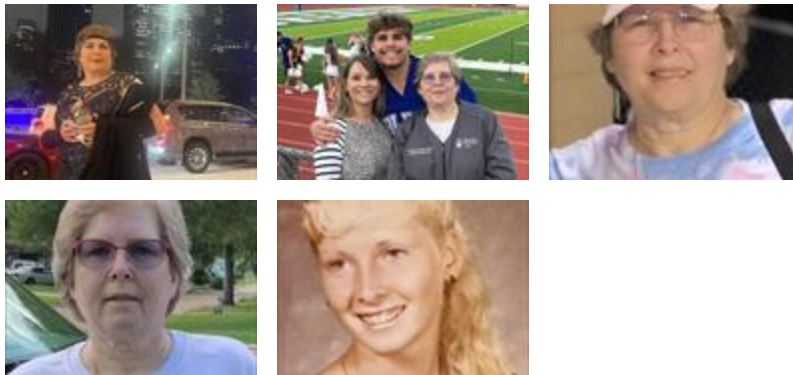
“ Tammy being consoled by her Mother, Shirley Rhoton. They loved each other deeply.



kathy johnson - May 27, 2024 at 03:10 PM

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Krystal Howlett Stringham - May 27, 2024 at 12:47 PM

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*I love you. You will be missed so very much. You left us too early but with some great memories.*  
*Aunt Linda*

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**Linda Surber** - May 28, 2024 at 05:32 PM

PS

*I loved you dearly, Tammy from the time you were little. We will always hold you deep within our hearts. You will be missed. Say hi to your dad for me. Aunt Paula*

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**Paula Shaffer** - May 28, 2024 at 06:52 PM