



Stephens, Mary Annette (Craze)

1946-2022

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Decatur ~ Mary Annette Stephens, 75, went to be with our Lord Friday, June 3, 2022.

A memorial is planned for 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 8, at First United Methodist Church in Decatur.

Mary was born Sept. 2, 1946, to James Howard and Annice (Monroe) Craze in Hartselle, Ala. She was united in marriage July 10, 1970, to Donald Ray Stephens in Dallas. Mary had a master's degree from the University of Dallas and was a retired teacher. She taught in Dallas, Irving and Chico ISD. During Annette's teaching career she was known as a caring teacher who encouraged her students to reach their full potential. She went above and beyond to provide for the needs of her students.

Annette had a servant's heart and through CASA, her church and volunteer/ community service activities, she touched the lives of so many people.

Her beautiful smile and compassionate heart endeared her to everyone who

met her. She loved deeply and was loved.

She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to many who will miss her dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Annice Craze; and a sister, Donna Lancaster.

Those left behind to cherish her memory are her husband of 51 years, Donnie Stephens of Decatur; her daughter, Alicia Loran and husband, Brian, of Allen; her son, Matthew Stephens and fiancé, Kelsey Hayenga, of Austin; two grandchildren, Chase Loran and Stuart Loran; her brother, Darryl Craze; her sister, Janice Cline; her sister-in-law, Janis Hahn; numerous extended family members, a host of friends and her beloved little dog Curly

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