

Featherstone, Mari Lyn 'Trixi'



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Mari Lyn Featherstone

Mari Lyn "Trixi" Featherstone, of Decatur, died Sunday evening following a lifelong struggle with severe rheumatoid arthritis. In spite of living every day since childhood with constant pain and disability, she lived a life of service to others who were suffering.

She was born Aug. 15, 1956, to John Henry and Marilyn Neel Featherstone. After graduating from Waco High School in 1974, she attended Lubbock Christian University, graduated from Abilene Christian University in 1978, and then launched a life dedicated to the sick and hurting.

She had a long career working for the American Cancer Society, leading community outreach and patient advocate programs. During those years, she was also sent by teams of rheumatologists to medical schools and conferences around the world to teach doctors and medical students how to diagnose, treat and serve those who

were suffering the way she suffered.

She was a deeply devoted Christ-follower and spent most of her adult life leading and teaching Bible study groups. Countless people know Him better because she introduced them to Him.

She is survived by her mom, Marilyn, of Decatur; brother John and wife, Kay, of The Colony; niece Jenna Silvers and husband, Stacy, of Austin; nephew Jay Featherstone and wife, Jennifer, of Decatur; great-nieces and nephews Luke Silvers, MaryLee Silvers, Jack Silvers and Lily Featherstone; and so many of you whom she loved and chose as her family. It was her request to be immediately cremated on her death. There will be a celebration of her life 3 p.m. Sunday at Hawkins Funeral Home Chapel in Decatur.

In keeping with her passion for the broken and the hurting, she requested that, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to: Serenity Church, P.O. Box 560487, The Colony, TX, 75056.