

BEVERLY MILLER KUCHAR

March 3, 1954 – February 19, 2021

Beverly Ann Miller Kuchar died on February 19, 2021, after a 21-month battle with cancer. She was 66. She was born in Austin, Texas, on March 3, 1954, to John and Joyce Miller. She graduated from Reagan High School in Austin, where she met her husband, John Richard Kuchar, Jr. They were married at Hyde Park Baptist Church in 1977 and shared 43 happy years together. They had two sons.



Beverly developed a love for animals. She loved riding and taking care of horses. She had many pets over the years, including dogs, horses, fish, a pot-bellied pig, a parakeet, and a cockatiel. In the early 1980s, John and Beverly adopted and tamed two wild horses. As a child, Beverly began collecting dolls. She later collected Hallmark ornaments and cookie jars. She also cherished the family heirlooms and photographs that she received, and liked learning about their history. Beverly was creative and artistic and loved arts and crafts. She enjoyed drawing, painting, and sewing. Her cooking and baking skills delighted her whole family.

Although she had various jobs, her main focus was her family. When her sons were young, she was involved with all of their activities: school events, sports, Awana, band, and Scouts. She was also a wonderful Grandma. Her grandson loved spending time outside with her and liked feeding the fish in the ponds she built. Beverly was a member of Austin Pond Society; her ponds were part of the annual pond tour in 2013.

In recent years, Beverly knitted hats that were donated to a charity for boys and girls. Another hobby was crocheting purses and handbags out of recycled plastic bags. She would crochet while getting chemo or at doctor appointments. People who saw her making the bags were always fascinated with the process.

She was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in May of 2019. She endured two rounds of chemotherapy only to see the cancer persist. She didn't want to give up the fight, but the chemotherapy drugs got so strong that the side effects were too much to take.

Beverly wrote, "I have had many people ask me how I made my way through all the tough times in the last few years. All I have said is, "One prayer, one breath, and one step at a time, and maybe not always in that order."

Beverly was preceded in death by her parents, John and Joyce Miller; brother, Kenneth Miller. She is survived by her husband, John Kuchar; son, Jason Kuchar; son and wife, Jonathan and Kimberly Kuchar; grandson, Daniel Kuchar; niece, Shelby Miller; sister-in-law, Christine Miller; aunt, Betty Miller; and many cousins.