



Dianna Watson Smith

December 10, 1943 - November 13, 2019

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Our beautiful, talented, and fun-loving Dianna laid down her earthly burdens on November 13th while in the loving care of the Chateau Notre Dame Nursing Home of New Orleans. Born on December 10th, 1943 as the youngest of nine children of a close-knit Franklinton, LA family, Dianna moved to New Orleans as a young woman, met and married Mr. Thomas LaBorde, and raised with him two equally beautiful and talented daughters, Monique and Michelle. After his premature death from a heart attack at the age of 45, Dianna then found herself in Baton Rouge, where, taking advantage of the presence of LSU, she graduated in 2000 with a BA -- the first in her family do so -- and, at the ceremony, sharing the floor of the Maravich Assembly Center with none other than Shaquille O'Neal. It was also during this period that she met and married the husband, Mr. Glenn Smith, who has survived her and with whom she shared many wonderful adventures, and to write a novel as well -- "You Don't Know Me" (<http://www.birds-of-the-air-press.com/bota/ydkm/ydkm.html>) -- about life in Louisiana. In addition to those mentioned, Dianna is survived by her wonderful brother John and three lovely sisters, Billie, Katie, and Sylvia. Services, with burial following, will be held starting at 2:00 PM Sunday, Nov. 17th at the Crain Funeral Home, 1109 Bene St. in

Franklinton. Visitation will begin at 1:00 pm