

Diane Landry Hughes



January 8, 1946 ~ February 6, 2023

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.” Matthew 5:5.

Diane Landry Hughes, 77, a Hammond native, born on January 8, 1946, began her journey with the Lord on February 6, 2023, after a hard-fought battle with cancer. Although she faced many challenges in life, she overcame them with strong faith, grace, and humility. She inspired others by making a beautiful life for herself and her family.

Diane was known for her love of learning and was a dedicated teacher, even after retirement. Her days were filled with including caring for her 97-year-old mother, fulfilling various volunteer duties at New Beginnings Christian Church, remaining active in Delta Kappa Gamma — a professional society for women educators, tutoring students in her home and doting on her four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She had a love for math and science, and shared that excitement for decades, both in the classroom and in her personal life. This passion was enhanced by her extensive university and graduate studies, at both SLU and LSU, in the fields of education, anatomy, and physiology.

Diane is preceded in death by her father, Felix Jerome “Jerry” Landry Sr., and her sister, Lynn Landry Davis. She is survived by her mother, Frances Jordan Landry, her children, Karen Hughes Smith (Rob) and Mark Hughes (Jennifer), her brother, Jerry Landry Jr. (Joann), her grandchildren, Madison Cleary (Collin), Morgan Landry Messina, Audrey Hughes and Cooper Landry Hughes, her great-grandchildren, Everett and Emilia Cleary, her nephews, Chip McIntosh (Lisa) and Jared Landry (Piper), her niece, Kate McIntosh Midkiff (Wade), her great-niece,

Abigail Midkiff, her great-nephew, Jacob Midkiff, a close family friend, Dr. Joseph Danford (Beth), and many beloved friends and family members across the United States.

A Celebration of Life will be held at New Beginnings Christian Church — 42418 S. Range Rd, Hammond, LA 70403, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 12th. In lieu of flowers, donations to New Beginnings Christian Church would be appreciated.

Diane's family wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Bertha and Janice, special friends who have touched the hearts of our entire family.