Darlene Reinert Champagne

Darlene Reinert Champagne, 73, of Denham Springs, Louisiana, died Monday, March 13, 2023, at Baton Rouge General Hospital, of complications from cancer. Darlene was born on October 24, 1949 in Scott City, Kansas to Doral and Fern (Barnes) Reinert. Raised in Amarillo, Texas Darlene lived most of her adult live in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, with her husband James Champagne. Darlene and Jim were longtime members La Krewe of Mystique de la Capitale. Darlene was retired from the Louisiana State Department of Public Safety.

Darlene was a beloved wife, mother, sister, and Maw Maw. She is survived by her husband James Champagne, her son Philip Melancon and his partner Chris Guillotte, grandchildren Elizabeth and Alexander Melancon, sister Ilene “Windy” Reinert Durliat, brothers Harold Reinert and his wife Janet, Albert Reinert, and Matt Coots

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Curtis Reinert.

A memorial service will be held Friday, March 17, 2023 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Seale Funeral Home in Denham Springs, Louisiana.