Debra Moore Richard



Debra Moore Richard passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 13, 2025, at her home at the age of 62. Born to the late Clinton Harlan Moore and Cherry Howze Moore, Debra was a vivacious, loving, and caring person who touched the lives of everyone she met. She was a graduate of Walker High, Denham Springs Beauty College and Blue Cliff Career College. Debra worked as a cosmetologist for period of time. She then began her career at MMR as an administrative assistant for many years. Later she found her calling as a licensed orthopedic massage therapist. She had keen insight and a vast knowledge of techniques utilized in the field of therapeutic massage. Debra found great joy helping people heal themselves and live healthier. Her goal was always to help others improve their human condition.

She was gregarious and had a remarkable talent for hosting gatherings, creating warm and welcoming spaces where friends and family could come together and feel at home. She loved gathering with friends and family for a meal or just a great cup of coffee and good conversation. She was known to play a hand or two of Bouree' and win.

Debra was a natural at making others feel at ease. She had the gift of making everyone in her life feel special and loved. Debra saw the potential in every soul. Her insight made her the best supporter and cheerleader for others. She encouraged others to always see their qualities, build on their strengths and work on their weaknesses. Debra said often, "We are spiritual beings having a human experience".

Debra worked to make things better and more beautiful than she found them. She found passion in many things. She was very creative. Debra brought sparkle and brightness to any occasion. She loved painting and creating beauty by making jewelry. She was a natural teacher and encouraged others to follow their passions of creativity.

Debra enjoyed working to better the lives of others. She believed the pen is mightier than the sword. She found her voice as an advocate by this. Debra was an Amici on two Amicus briefs that are at the United States Supreme Court: One, supports a case for President Donald J. Trump and the second, supports a case for Terpsehore Maras.

She is survived by her devoted husband, Barry Richard; her son, Scott Kleinpeter, II and his wife, Marybeth; her brother, Harlan Landry Moore and his wife, Kelly, and their children, Brennan and Aubry Moore; her sister, Amanda Darlene Moore. She is also survived by her stepson, B.J. Richard and his son, Henry; and her stepdaughter, Bonnie D'Antonio, her husband, John, and their children, Claudia and Elliot. Debra is also survived by her brother in law, Timmy "Lil Peshu" Richard and his wife Kathy, children Lacey Landry, Jody Joseph Richard, Megan Richard and sister in law Carolyn Dedon, children Adam Boudreaux, Kristen Dedon. She is also survived by aunts, Margaret M. Howze, Doris M. Moore and uncles Joseph "Rip" Jones, Jimmy Howze and his wife Mernagh, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, Godchildren and a plethora of friends.

Her Pallbearers will be Brennan Moore, B.J. Richard, Joey Howze, Jeff Jones, Michael Jones, and Justin Bickham.

She was preceded in death by both her parents and in-laws, C. Harlan and Cherry H. Moore and Peshu and Aileen L. Richard; her Aunts and Uncles, Jean Moore Jones, Bobby Carl Howze, Billy R. Bass, Judy Howze Bass and Richard "Butch" Moore and her cousin Joseph R. Jones, Jr.; Her maternal grandparents Carl James "White Bear" and Guellima "Maggie" Roberts Howze and paternal grandparents Clinton Washington "C.W." and Euphracine "Frozine" Landry Moore.

Visitation will be at Seale Funeral Home in Livingston, Thursday, April 24, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. until the service at 1:00 p.m. Burial will follow in the New Red Oak Cemetery, Livingston. Following the burial, there will be a reception for family and friends at the Livingston Country Club until 5:00 p.m.