



Deborah Miller Boudreaux

January 11, 1959 - March 16, 2026

Deborah, age 67, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully at home on March 16th, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born in San Diego, California, Deborah later made her home in Ponchatoula, Louisiana, where she built a life defined by love, warmth, and a deep appreciation for the natural world. For 45 wonderful years, she shared a devoted and enduring marriage with her husband, Gary. Together, they created a home filled with laughter, adventure, and unwavering love.

Deborah was a proud and devoted mother to four daughters and a cherished grandmother to nine grandchildren, who lovingly knew her as “Nonnie.” Her family was the center of her world, and she poured her heart into every moment spent with them. She especially treasured time spent rock hounding with her grandchildren and family, always turning simple moments into lasting memories.

She had a special gift for nurturing life in all its forms. She adored animals and plants of every kind, tended to gardens that bloomed as brightly as her spirit, and never met a stray she wouldn't take in and love as her own. Her passion for nature extended to the wilderness, where she found peace camping beneath the stars and exploring new places on family trips. She often shared that she would like to be remembered in the gentle presence of butterflies and

dragonflies, a reflection of the beauty and peace she found in the natural world.

Deborah had a rare and beautiful way of connecting with others; she befriended everyone she met and truly never met a stranger. Known for her boundless energy and love of life, she was the heart of every gathering. She took great pride in creating her beautiful indoor and outdoor Christmas displays and joyfully hosted her beloved annual Hot Cocoa and Santa Party. She also made it a tradition to host New Year's Eve celebrations, joyfully ringing in the new year surrounded by her adoring husband, daughters, and grandchildren, while welcoming friends and their children for a warm, family-friendly celebration. Whether planning a holiday feast, hosting a backyard gathering, or organizing a spontaneous adventure, she brought people together with her kindness, creativity, and infectious laughter. She had a remarkable way of making everyone feel welcome, loved, and at home.

Deborah will be deeply missed and forever remembered for her generosity, compassion, and the joy she brought into the lives of all who knew her.

Deborah is survived by her loving husband of 45 years, Gary Boudreaux; daughters, Breanna Bergeron (Daniel), Amandalyn Hoover (Michael), Cassandra Veillon, and Darralann Phenis (Josh); grandchildren, Kaeden, Landen, Cohen, Kroy, Alyssa, Berkley, Gavin, Charlotte, and Julietta; brothers, Butch Miller and Robert Miller; along with step-mother, Judy Miller, and numerous other family members.

Deborah is preceded in death by her parents; mother, Shirley Formway (Jim), and father, Hutton Miller, Sr.

A celebration of Deborah's life will be held on March 27th at Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly suggests

donations to Geaux Wild Rehab, Purrs of Hope Rescue, or Tangi Humane Society in honor of her lifelong love for all living things.

PONCHATOULA, LA.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the Visitation from the Chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, 1190 Hwy 51 North, Ponchatoula, LA. on Friday, March 27, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 1:00 p.m. Fr. Charles Johnson and Pastor Brad Roberts will officiate with interment to follow in Rosaryville Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Rosaryville Cemetery

Rosaryville Road
Ponchatoula, LA 70454

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA
1190 Highway 51
Ponchatoula, LA 70454
(985) 370-9296

Funeral Service

MAR 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AB

“ Sending my sincere condolences to Gary and the entire family. May God put his hands on each of your shoulders and guide you through this lost. As long as I've known Debra, I didn't have the opportunity to see her much. But, I saw, I see the smile and laughter she always had on her face. That's because I was around when she was with family. I will always appreciate Debra and Gary for opening their home to me on Christmas so I could be with my son Leon and Charlotte my granddaughter. Her love for her family is what all families should have. My heart breaks for you all.

Allison Buchert - March 27 at 01:51 PM

LK

“ Lovely lady. My condolences for the family. Out of town for service.
Louis Koster

Louis Koster - March 25 at 11:43 AM

RL

“ We are so very sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. Our hearts are broken for Gary, the girls, and the entire Boudreaux family. We met and got to know Gary and Debbie through our children, and always felt like family when we would attend their Halloween and New Year's Parties. I read how Debbie never knew a stranger and that is such a true statement. She was a beautiful person inside and out and will be terribly missed.

Ricky and Dory Lowe - March 24 at 10:25 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.*



March 24 at 10:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.

March 24 at 10:25 AM



“ *Earline Thorne & The Van Haelen Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.*



Earline Thorne & The Van Haelen Family - March 23 at 06:48 PM



“ *Your Pirates teammates purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.*



Your Pirates teammates - March 23 at 12:17 PM

FB

“ From Marty, Jenn, Baylor & Ryder Buratt purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.



From Marty, Jenn, Baylor & Ryder Buratt - March 22 at 12:09 PM

FB

“ From Marty, Jenn, Baylor & Ryder Buratt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.

From Marty, Jenn, Baylor & Ryder Buratt - March 22 at 12:09 PM

GS

“ Gary and family...I am heartbroken for all of you. Only over the last six months I became personally acquainted with both you and Debbie. Immediately I'll felt the warmth and kindness you both extended. Prior to that encounter I just knew you were the creators of Joy at Christmas in our communities and surrounding areas. Your light displays were second to none including City Park. I read a post a month or so ago that Deb reposted. It said..."when I get to Heaven I hope every cat I ever loved in Heaven comes running to greet me!" I feel sure that happened and I can relate. Debbie was an unexpected gift in our lives over the past six months. She and I shared prayers and on behalf of both my brother Alan and me we send our heartfelt condolences and prayers for all of you. Debbie Thank You for praying for us so fervently We shall never forget you...ever.



Glenda Karen Sharkey - March 22 at 09:56 AM

DM

“ So very very sorry for your loss. I know it will leave a big hole in all of your lives. I know she and Gary had such a good marriage and I know much she loved her girls and her grandchildren. I had no idea she was ill. Sending hugs and lots of prayers . Wish I could Gary a big hug. I'll miss seeing her posts on Facebook.

Debi Miller-Boyle - March 21 at 06:19 PM

TR

“ I'm so deeply sorry for your loss. My heart aches for your family during this incredibly difficult time. She was such a beautiful, kind soul who truly made a difference in so many lives. Her support here at Geaux Wild Rehab meant so much and because of her compassion and generosity, countless animals were given a second chance. That kind of impact is something truly special and it will never be forgotten. Her legacy will live on through every life she helped touch.

Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers and sending love and strength in the days ahead.

Love, Tisha

Tisha Raiford - March 21 at 04:35 PM

MC

“ Gary & family, I'm so sorry to see this. Deborah was a sweet person. I will keep you in my prayers for comfort during this time of grief.

Margaret Carter - March 21 at 11:51 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Deborah Miller Boudreaux.*



March 21 at 10:43 AM