



Dorothy Kantis

August 30, 2020

Dorothy E. Graves Kantis, 86, of Wills Point, Texas and beloved wife for over 40 years to Dr. John Kantis and devoted Mother of Richard Gibson, George Kantis and Alyson Andrews, passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 30, 2020 at her home in Pinehurst, Texas. She was born February 14, 1934 in Wills Point, Texas to Juanita Johnson Graves and George Graves. Dorothy was a true Southern Lady. She was an amazing mother who showered her children in her endless love and support. She embodied the biblical scripture: 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests. It is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It hears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Dorothy was raised in Texarkana, Texas and moved to Galveston, Texas where she met and married Dr. John Kantis. Dorothy and John had 3 children and spent much of their time in Houston, Texas and Galveston, Texas. Dorothy is preceded in death by her husband, Dr. John Kantis, her parents George and Juanita Graves, her sister Martha Ann Steirt, child Gregory Gibson. Dorothy's legacy lives on in her wonderful children, Rick, George and Alyson and her wonderful grandchildren, Chris Kantis (Chani) and great

granddaughter Reagan Kantis, Alyssa Kantis, and Nicholas Kantis, as well as her nephew Raymond Steirt. Dorothy was a friend to everyone she met and lived by guidelines she believed in to her core. She worked on things she enjoyed and worth her time and talent, she always had a grateful heart and practiced self-discipline with saving money, her diet and exercising a little each day. She took amazing care of her family, friends and pets in her life and embodied the integrity and honesty to be a shining example to her children. She believed in voting because many died to ensure we have that privilege and taking personal responsibility for your life and actions. She was bold and brave and lived a full life full of happiness and was optimistic and valued relationships over any possession. She was resilient and navigated every challenge with courage and was a woman of great character. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to St. Joseph's Indian School in Chamberlain, South Dakota (give.stjo.org).

The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to her family.

No services will be held through the funeral home.

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“ I have been blessed to know Dorothy Kantis and her son Rick Gibson for approximately 30 years. Dorothy has been an exemplary model of a mother to all of her children and a loving wife to her husband, John. She sacrificed daily for her family and her friends and always had a kind thing to say about everyone. Dorothy was full of life, had a strong faith, and was a delight to be around, which is why so many loved her! I enjoyed meeting her for lunches at new restaurants and visits. She made a positive impact on everyone she interacted with and always had your best interest at heart. My condolences to Rick, Alyson, George and wife, Alyssa, Chris, Nicholas and Lana and Paul. She loved you all very much and her legacy will live on in each of you.

Lynn Reid

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