



Janet B. Scott

May 7, 1944 - September 25, 2024

Janet Elizabeth “Jan” Brown Scott passed away in Austin, Texas, on Wednesday, September 25, at the age of 80 years, with her son and immediate family with her. All of her affairs were in impeccable order as she faced a third bout of cancer. Even that did not define her long and interesting life.

Jan was warm, optimistic, and faced every challenge head-on. She never complained. She was intellectually curious and engaged in life and adaptable to it. Her interests and talents were broad - she was an avid reader, crafter, follower of current events and sports, and loved winning a good Scrabble or bingo game. Her heart was always attuned to her family and friends and she typically had a good cat or two. Jan enjoyed travel and nature immensely and made trips to Alaska, annual trips to the Texas Hill Country, and more national parks than most of us. She flew to New Orleans, LA, this past March for a family wedding. She loved music and live performance and attended them at every opportunity. She was

independent

and decisive and deeply loved by her family, friends, and colleagues throughout her life and

varied career path. She lived by “the four agreements”: Be impeccable with your word. Don't

take anything personally. Don't make assumptions. Always do your best.

Janet was born in Galveston, Texas, on May 7, 1944, to Catherine Mary (Salvato) Brown and

Louis William Brown. She grew-up in Dickinson, TX, Galveston County, one of four siblings

and around a large extended family on her Sicilian-American mother's side, maternal

grandparents, aunts and uncles, and many first cousins were among her closest childhood

friends. Her South Louisiana extended family on her father's side was also a constant and rich

part of her life. She graduated from Dickinson High School and took a Bachelor's degree in

Library Science from Sam Houston State University. Her first job out of college was as a

technical librarian for a NASA contractor as the space program was taking-off. She met and

married Bobby Scott. After they moved to Granbury, TX, she went on to work as an estimator

for General Dynamics in Fort Worth, a real estate agent, and as a florist and Christmas shop

owner before moving to Las Vegas, NV, with her husband and son, Ryan. In Nevada, Jan

earned an associates degree in Interior Design and worked for KB Homes.

She transferred to

one of their Houston, TX branches where she retired and then moved to

Austin, TX to be near family. She made life-long friends all along the way with whom she maintained contact. She was the most adaptable among us and lived a brave and beautiful life by example.

Jan is survived by her son, Ryan Scott, of Leander, TX along with his two boys, Adler and Bailey, and Ryan's partner, Dani Kopf; Jan's brother and sister-in-law, David and Pam Brown of Houston, TX; sister, Jerri Brown of Spicewood, TX; sister Anette Brown, of Houston, TX; and grandson, Dalton Taylor Johnson, of Pasadena, TX. Cousin, Len Arcuri, of Paulina, LA, was like a second brother and present her final days.

While final arrangements are pending, Janet's ashes will be interred in the family plot at Forest Park East Cemetery, Webster, TX, near her daddy.