



## Sheryl Kaye Lowe

March 25, 1944 - November 23, 2023

### In Memoriam

Sheryl Kaye Lowe

AUSTIN, TEXAS – Sheryl Kaye Lowe, a beloved wife, mother, stepmother, and grandmother

who brought joy and love to every life she touched, died on Thursday, November 23, 2023. She was 79.

Professionally, Sheryl was best known for her illustrious, 40-year real-estate career with

some of the finest real estate brokerages in Austin, Texas. Her 24/7 personal care of clients,

cheerfulness, hard work, and astute knowledge of the Austin real estate market all helped to

make her consistently a top producer in the offices with which she was affiliated. Sheryl's career

culminated with membership in Austin's "Elite 25," awarded to only the top 25 residential real

estate agents who have demonstrated unparalleled reputations, exceptional business affiliations,

and proven past performance.

Beyond her professional real estate career, Sheryl was a woman of multifaceted passions,

boundless energy, and unwavering commitment to helping anyone in need. Sheryl was also beautiful; after modeling for Jantzen Sportswear in high school, she declined their offer of a professional modeling career to go to college. She attended Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, from 1962-64. She then transferred to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, from which she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Education in 1966. From there she moved to California and worked as a kindergarten teacher for 8 years. She then continued her education, earning a master's degree in Education from Pepperdine University in 1975. Her work-life took a different direction when she moved to Austin, Texas, in 1977 with her second husband, and opened "The Best of Everything Natural Foods and Kitchenware" in West Lake Hills. Together, they owned and managed this store for 3 years before Sheryl moved her professional focus to real estate.

A native of Michigan, Sheryl was born on March 25, 1944, in Grand Rapids. She was the daughter of Frederick Vander Jagt Sr. and Rolvina (Ruth) Mulder. Although raised in Grand Rapids, MI, Sheryl spent the majority of her adult life in Torrance, CA, and Austin, TX. She is survived by her husband, Martin Dion "Doc" Lowe; the daughter of her former marriage, Heather McKelvey (husband Scott) of Houston, TX; and son Justin D. Lowe (wife

Alicia) of Austin, TX. She is predeceased by her son, Chad McLaughlin. Sheryl is also survived by her stepchildren: Laura Hersom (husband Craig) of Lodi, CA; John Lowe (wife Kathy) of Napa, CA; Lisa Geyer (husband Kirk) of Napa, CA; Serein Rohrer (husband Bill) of Round Rock, TX; and Kyle Lowe of Austin, TX. She is also survived by her grandchild, Connor McKelvey; and step-grandchildren, James, John, Ryan, and Chad Hersom; Maile, Jordan, and Jokayla Lowe; Aaron, Kirsha, Lila, Teal, and Kelli Geyer; Taylor and Colby Rohrer; and Tyler, Delaney, and Sophia Lowe. Sheryl was also blessed with numerous great-grandchildren.

In addition to branding her professional pursuits, Sheryl's care for those around her embraced almost every aspect of her life. A proud 13-year survivor of breast cancer, she volunteered enthusiastically for central Texas's "Breast Cancer Resource Center," providing various services, such as rides to and from treatments, to aid their treatment for women in need.

In a motherly fashion, she provided a home and full support to three teenagers whose parents could no longer care for them, allowing them to finish high school and go on to college and independence as successful adults. In her later life, she was always there to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed it, whether it be money, food, or even a comfortable place to stay for the

night. Sheryl's devotion to Christ and her religion inevitably played a role in her concern for others, and she reflected at times that her faith was also what carried her through the most difficult times in her life.

Sheryl was always an active person and exercised daily. In the last decades of her life,

Pilates was her chosen pursuit.

An avid "sun worshipper," Sheryl always chose the beach for her vacations, with

Hermosa Beach, California; Destin, Florida; and Anywhere, Mexico, particular favorites. When

not working, she could often be found in the afternoon laying in the sun by her pool. She

embraced gardening and bird feeding with equal fervor and kept no fewer than 10 bird feeders

full, numerous potted flowers blooming, and her many house plants healthy.

Sheryl could take

what appeared to be nothing more than a stick with leaves, place it in dirt, and have a healthy

plant soon thereafter.

Her profound affection for dogs and family was evident. Her last two dogs, beloved

Labrador Retrievers, Sam and Kota Bear, received her full attention and held a special place in

her heart. To Sheryl, her dogs were members of the family, and she lovingly walked and

exercised them daily. In addition, her many children, stepchildren, grandchildren, and friends

received her undivided attention as she spent hours with them on the phone each week as a

patient listener and supporter.

Sheryl leaves behind a legacy woven with love and commitment in all facets of life. The

lives she touched were invariably better for her caring concern, perpetual optimism, and

willingness to go the extra mile. She will be profoundly missed as a devoted mother and wife and

a woman with a true dedication to the Austin real estate market and anyone in need with whom

she came into contact.

A memorial service will be held at 12 noon on Friday, February 9, in the chapel at

Riverbend Church in Austin, Texas. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations in Sheryl's

name to the Breast Cancer Resource Center of Texas. Donations can be made online directly at

<https://bcrc.org/donate/> or mailed to them at 8127 Mesa Drive, Ste. B206, #131; Austin, Texas,

78759-8632.

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ Dear Doc, Justin and family, Sweet Sheryl was an inspiration and a very generous, kind mentor and angel to many. She lived a beautiful life and has left a bright light in the world. May you always feel her love for you and may it give you much comfort. Fondly, Kathy Street

Kathy Street - March 22, 2024 at 12:11 AM

LF

“ Love, Magda Evans and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sheryl Kaye Lowe.

Love, Magda Evans and family - January 20, 2024 at 07:57 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sheryl Kaye Lowe.



January 20, 2024 at 07:57 AM

MA

“ I'm shocked to find out about Sheryl's passing. I met her when she was healing about 11 years ago and she decided to use my services when I was a raw vegan chef. We stayed friends for many years, One day she told my kids: "you know, your mommy saved my life." My kids always asked about her, We spent many wonderful moments together. Even spent one New Year's Eve together. I will always cherish those moments. Rest in peace, Sheryl. I will miss our conversations.

Magda - January 20, 2024 at 07:53 AM

MF

“ Justin, I’m so sorry for you and your family’s loss. You mom sounds like she was an amazing and caring light to our world, and certainly to her family. Peace and blessings.

*Mark Franke*

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**Mark Franke** - January 18, 2024 at 02:10 PM

HF

“ I am so saddened to hear of the loss of this amazing woman! My family loved Sheryl so so much! We met her almost 10 years ago looking at homes and we became fast and close friends. Over the years she helped us buy and sell a number of homes and always she was a beacon of love, light, grace, poise, and sweetness! Such sweetness. I can hear her voice now, how she would bring good counsel to all and always led with her heart. We would have deep spiritual conversations about real estate and life! She would shower our daughter with hugs and attention. And always dresses to the tee, even in the Texas summer heat. She will be missed. I pray for her peace. I send my deep condolences to Don and all her children and grandchildren.

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**Heather Hawk Feinberg** - January 17, 2024 at 10:31 AM

AB

“ Sheryl has been a major part of our family for many years. She was always so lovely, happy, positive, supporting, and just a beautiful human being and mother. Our lives became brighter in her glow and presence. She is now with her beloved Chad Michael. God Bless You Sweet Angel

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**adam brewer** - January 16, 2024 at 11:09 PM

KL

*I was sad to hear of Sheryl's passing. I met Sheryl at The Best of Every Thing in Westlake 1979. She was always the best, so sweet and beautiful. Then again in real estate.*

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**Kathy Lawson** - January 21, 2024 at 09:48 PM

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*I am so very sad for the loss of Sheryl. She was one of my best friends and God gave me the priveledge of sharing many special moments with her. She loves her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and there was no doubt that when you were around her you could feel Jesus all around her. She loved everyone and showed the love of Jesus at all times. She would call me her "Navy Girl" and I miss hearing her say that. I miss her so much. Keeping all the family in my prayers during this difficult time.*

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**Orlanda Valka** - February 09, 2024 at 10:21 AM