



## Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox

June 7, 1961 - September 22, 2019

Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox, 58, of Fairview Heights, IL, formerly of Waynesville, passed away Sunday, September 22, 2019 at her home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Debby was born on June 7, 1961 in Alamogordo, New Mexico, the second child of the late D.J. and Anna Fowler. Being the daughter of a military dad, she attended several schools until moving to Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri where she attended Waynesville Senior High School until graduation.

Deborah married Charlie Cox III on January 23, 1982, and he was by her side when she was called home. Debby and Charlie raised two boys, Shawn E. Cox and Charles B. Cox, IV, as well as one granddaughter, Riley Ann.

Debby's love of life took her on many adventures and she never met a stranger. She would sit and talk for hours and was a wonderful mentor for children, often providing the encouragement and guidance they did not receive at home.

Survivors include her husband: Charles B. Cox III; two sons: Shawn Edward and Charles B. Cox IV; one granddaughter: Riley Ann, all of the home; two sisters: Mary Brown (Guy) of Niangua, MO, Marianna Fowler (Robert Gurley) of St. Robert, MO; one brother: Jimmy Fowler of St. Robert, MO; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and close friends.

Deborah Ann was a devoted mother, a loving wife, a wonderful big sister, and everyone's favorite aunt. She will be missed by all.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Love and Miss you so much! R.I.P. My Beautiful Sister! ❤️*



**Mary Brown** - October 11, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ *It's hard waking up everyday and not being able to call or text you! I miss and love you so much!! You will forever be in my heart! Thinking of you always! R.I.P my beautiful sister!*



**Mary Brown** - October 10, 2019 at 11:49 PM

MB

“ It's hard waking up everyday not being able to text you or call you! You will always be in my heart! Not a day goes by that i don't think about all the crazy things we did! It was so much fun! Who's gonna talk me into doing crazy stuff now? Oh wait! I'm sure you will still find a way! 😊 can't wait! Love and miss you so much my beautiful sister! Forever in my heart❤️



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**Mary Brown** - October 10, 2019 at 09:54 PM

“ *My Journey with Debbie*

*February 2014, I was diagnosed with stage four lung cancer and started my journey of hope and faith. The battleground started in TAMC Chemo room. The atmosphere was very somber and quiet as I sat in the corner as they infused this poison. Soon after numerous treatments, there appeared this lady about to embark on her journey. What was unique about this lady was that she took control of the chemo room atmosphere. She was positive and upbeat and refused to allow a “pity party “. She focused on me and my wife and made us move from the corner. She would not allow us to seat in the reclining chairs, covered with blankets and watching depressing TV. Instead, she made us the chemo room greeters. Each patient she demanded a smile while in her “room “ and no one defied her.*

*Our friendship extended beyond the Chemo room. Numerous craft fairs and long grueling walks to the beach park.*

*She was the “chairman “ of the “safety meetings”*

*In essence, Debbie taught me how to be brave and strong and to control my situation and not allow the situation to control me. She was always a phone call away. She found out my passion for spaghetti and had it available when Chemo took my appetite.*

*Debbie Cox touch so many lives and we will always love her but we also know that she is always with us on our journey. Numerous people have reminders of Debbie sitting on their desks.*

*May we all thank God for this angel and the numerous people who are still on their journey because of her. Those of us who looked cancer in the face and stood up and continue to stand up with a smile and determination that Debbie taught us.*

*This is my journey with Debbie*

*Walter Whitten*

AT

“ You will always be my second mama ... I will never forget you or our memories 😭💔 Hope your dancing with the angels while you watch over all of us... Rest in Peace Mama ... Gone but never forgotten 😭💔



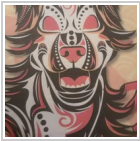
Amy Thaden - October 10, 2019 at 12:28 AM

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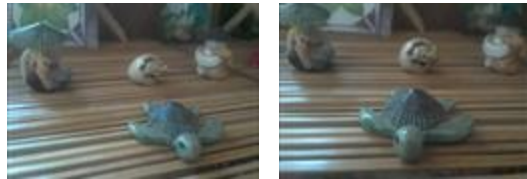
“ Sandra Hoover sent a virtual gift in memory of Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox



Sandra Hoover - October 09, 2019 at 09:37 PM



“ Debby's Creations made with ALOHA SPIRIT



Debra Whitten - October 09, 2019 at 09:00 PM

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“ Sandy Watson lit a candle in memory of Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox



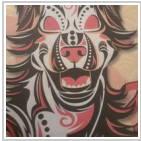
Sandy Watson - October 09, 2019 at 07:22 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of Deborah's passing. Both Deborah & Charlie were neighbors near my brother and they helped my brother and our family when he was ill. I will never forget their caring and hospitality. Later, when I was diagnosed with cancer Deborah was truly an inspiration and help to me. Love, Reed

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**Reed Rohrer** - October 09, 2019 at 05:47 PM



“ Debra Whitten lit a candle in memory of Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox



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**Debra Whitten** - October 09, 2019 at 04:37 PM

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“ Charlie, I am so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in our prayers, Debby was a good friend and we had wonderful memories of working together at H&R Block.

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**Tammy Stetson** - October 09, 2019 at 04:34 PM

DK

“ Thank you for letting me be a part of your life - I wish we had met sooner! Much love - your Angel forever

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**Debbie K** - October 09, 2019 at 01:22 PM

LC

“ Linda Cole-Schonbok sent a virtual gift in memory of Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox



Linda Cole-Schonbok - October 02, 2019 at 05:04 PM

PG

“ Pulaski County Camp Gideons lit a candle in memory of Deborah Ann Fowler-Cox



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - October 02, 2019 at 10:22 AM



Marianna Gurley

“ I will always love you.



Marianna Gurley - October 01, 2019 at 11:51 PM