

# **RITAMAE C. SLATER**

**"RITA"**

Age 84, of Valley View, Texas, passed away from a short illness on Thursday, October 12, 2023. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Theodore G. Slater, Jr.; her daughter, Kristine Slater (Valley View, TX); and her sister, Rosemary Gregor of Eighty Four, PA.

Rita was born and raised in Western Pennsylvania and is preceded in death by her parents, Louis Raymond Crahen and Beatrice Rogan Crahen; and her brothers, Francis J. Crahen and Raymond R. Crahen.

She was an avid horsewoman in her youth. She was a trick rider, a barrel racer and enjoyed the summers spent traveling with the horses. She was a member of the Western PA Girls Barrel Racing Assoc., and also a member of the WPRA. She also enjoyed leisure trips and vacationing with her sister as well as other friends. Rita was a true lady in every sense of the word. To say that heaven gained a special angel is an understatement.

The funeral service is to be held at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in McMurray, PA on Thursday, October 19, 2023. Services are private at the request of the family.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 ([www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org)) or to an animal rescue of your choice.

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