## Sherry P. May

Sherry Patricia (Smith) May, 71, passed away on March 22, 2011, at her residence on Blythe Island. She dressed herself as best she could before 8 o'clock that morning and left for the loving arms of her husband of 52 years. Sherry was preceded in death by her husband, Theodore Roosevelt "Junior" May Jr., and her son, Frank Randall "Randy" May.

She is survived by one son, Theodore James "Ted" May, and a daughter, Christy Darlene May, both of Brunswick; and a sister, Reberta Ziemba of Orlando, Fla. Sherry is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, sistersin-law, and brothers-in-law.

She devoted her life to her family and her many friends and would regret not being here to share more time with her best friend, Ann Wiggins; her sisters-in-law; Victoria Fennel, Rose Riggins and Frankie Stephens-May; her cousin, Cleo Usher; and her friends, Gail Folk-Foreman, Bobbe Nell Purser, Becky Lovett (and all of the Glynn Academy Class of 1957, of which Sherry was a proud alum), and many more.

A native and lifelong resident of Glynn County, some may remember Sherry as the owner of Rainbow Records and Music on Norwich Street from 1973-81. She later served administrative roles in her husband's business, Atlas Equipment Rental, from 1981-92. There were no strangers in Sherry's life; if she knew you, she loved you and felt loved by you. She loved catching up

with her friends on Facebook, making new memories and recalling old ones through photographs posted online.

Sherry was a member of The Teaching Center Church in Lulaton, Brantley County, where she thoroughly enjoyed learning the word of God under the instruction of Pastor Leon Guest.

As was her nature, she had lovingly cared for her son, Randy, who battled renal disease since he was a toddler and later required a kidney transplant (Sherry was the donor), until he passed away in 2000 at age 43. Sherry also was her husband Junior's caretaker after he was injured in an industrial accident in 1992; he later developed endstage renal disease and suffered complications from diabetes until he passed away in 2005 at age 69. Sherry was diagnosed in 2009 with breast cancer and had a breast removed, later to learn that she never had breast cancer. She struggled with complications following the mastectomy surgery for nearly 18 months. Although she didn't have breast cancer, Sherry was particularly moved by stories of women who were cancer survivors and would encourage everyone to donate to the American Cancer Society.

Her family and friends will gather for a celebration of Sherry's life at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 30, in the sanctuary of the United Pentecostal Church, 5608 New Jesup Highway, Brunswick.

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