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Message:

If not NOW.....WHEN?.....this Question continues throughout the years, decades, centuries....TEXAS's districts have to be more fairly established to represent ALL the people within Texas's borders! When the "PUZZLE PIECES ARE ASSEMBLED AND VIEWED"......let your final decision reflect that of senate and representatives that care that ALL have a voice in our state government

A concerned Texas citizen since her birth on October 4,1951.....

MARY FRANCES CURRY AUSTIN

A TRIBUTE TO OUR AUNT MARY CURRY CUMMINGS......

In the beginning she was given the Christian name of MARY ALICE CURRYlater Mary Curry Thurman......then at last she would marry for the 2nd and last time to become Mary Curry Cummings......always for My sister and meshe is our AUNT MARY!!! She is the younger beautiful sister of my father, William Curry, Jr; She was always the loving and very caring sister of Joe Curtis and Linda......AUNT MARY, YOU ARE THE ROCK that has kept our family grounded throughout the passing years......

Your five sons....Joseph Jr, Michael, Jeffrey, Gregory, and Stephen are the luckiest and most supremely blessed MEN on this planet!!!! You always have been their loudest CHEERLEADER!!!! Your grandchildren and great grandchildren know that you love them very deeply, and you wanted them to do well for themselves and their children.

AUNT MARY, I want to share how deeply Deborah and I care about you........When we were 8 and 9 years old you and Uncle Joe came to Texas for a visit, and decided to let us return to Seattle with Y'all. That was some trip in that compact car with me wedged in the front and my sister in the back with luggage and your sister in law.....You loved and protected us as we passed through areas were Blacks were not welcomed......We couldn't use their public restrooms, but they accepted your money for gas. We learned how to take care of our needs by the side of the road.....quite an experience for little girls in the early sixties......As we traveled further northwest things were better. You gave us our first experience in a fabulous hotel not a motel, but a hotel in SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.......AMAZING!!!!! after our lengthy visit that summer with all the members of the Thurman and Curry families we returned to Texas aboard a powerful train with Uncle Joe's sister.......You gave us experiences that have lasted a lifetime with the both of us thank you, AUNT MARY.......

In 1965, We moved from Fort Worth to a small east Texas town called Omaha.......It was quite an adjustment for us. Grandmother CLARA, AUNT LINDA, and YOU sent us boxes of new clothes.....We were the Best Dressed High School Girls at George Washington Carver High School! We received multiple compliments for our cute mini dresses, skirts, tops and fish net stockings------all colors!

All through the years of high school, college, and our adult lives you continued to be the constant in our lives to let us know that Deborah and I were LOVED by the family that was miles away from us......from you I learned that Grandmother was born in Corsicana, TexasShe was a quiet woman.....She did the best she could for her family,,,,,,, I know that for awhile the family lived in Fort Worth.....Our Father eventually met my Mother and were married. Their union was blessed with two baby girls who for one day are the same age. I have boasted often that I, Mary Curry Austin, am your name sake!

AUNT MARY, I was so proud of you when you returned to college after raising your five sons and became an educator.....You are a powerful woman to be reckoned with, Aunt Mary!

I love and have treasured all the especially made cards, banners, and calendars that you created exclusively for ME, DEBORAH, MICHAEL CLYDE, and your great nephew, Elijah.....recently we found

the \$3\$ and card you sent for his 3^{rd} birthday.....He still has that one.....He is now seven and will be in second grade this school year.

A few years ago AUNT MARY, you made us all so happy when you came to visit bringing Michael, Yolonda, Joy and her beautiful family to TEXAS for an awesome visit. You met my sisters, brother, brother in law, niece, and nephews. My son and grandson had the experience of being showered with your love. You left such a wonderful impact on all of us, and now when I talk about you they understand more about the lovely person you are to Deborah and myself.

AUNT MARY, THANK YOU for loving Deborah and ME with all your heart......We will always love YOU to the MOON and BACK.......FOREVER!!!!!!!

THANK YOU......THANK YOU......to the sweetest woman that OUR GOD EVER CREATED......MY SWEET LOVING AUNT MARY ALICE CURRY CUMMINGS.

JULY 18, 2021