



Marianne Raley

July 16, 1956 - January 19, 2016

Marianne Raley was born July 16, 1956 in Kansas City, Kansas and passed away while in resident at Carpenter House Hospice during the early morning hours of January 19, 2016 after a short but intense cancer diagnosis. During her childhood years, her family relocated several times, Lincoln, NE and McLeans, VA, but ultimately, home was Overland Park, Kansas. Once locating to Overland Park from Kansas City, KS, she attended Osage and Valley View Elementary Schools, Nallwood Junior High, and graduated from Shawnee Mission South with the Class of 1974. During her school years she was activity involved in musical groups and theater productions with one of her proudest accomplishments being her participation in Shawnee Mission South's ACappella Choir, under the direction of Dr. Don Donalson. Also, during these years, she became a very accomplished bowler. She not only competed locally and nationally, but passed on her talent for this sport as a youth coach at the King Louie West and Ranchmart Bowling Lanes.

In 1976, Marianne relocated to Metairie, LA and began establishing her adult career in the customer service profession. Her career path included tenure at companies such as Battestella Seafood Company, Centerplate at the New Orleans Super Dome, Whitney Bank (now Hancock) and culminating with Gulf Coast Bank and Trust Company. She continued her love of competitive bowling at Paradise Lanes, Metairie, LA, both in league and in national tournaments and was a member of the Krewe of Diana for a short time.

Individuals that came to know Marianne are celebrating her life with memories

of her hard work, warm smile, and caring heart.

Marianne is survived by her mother, Barbara A. Raley and her sister, Sara Jo Raley, both currently residing in Tarpon Springs, FL, her great aunt Naomi McMillian, Overland Park, KS and cousins residing in various states. She is preceded in death by her father, Joseph C. Raley, Oldsmar, FL, brother, Robert G. Raley, Kansas City, KS, maternal grandparents, Marguerite F. and William Valleau, Overland Park, KS, and paternal grandparents, William F. and Lola F. Higbee Raley, Kansas City, KS.

The family appreciates the sincere condolences at this time and would offer a suggestion of memorial contributions in Marianne's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to assist in their continued progress towards cancer treatments.

A visitation will be held at L. A. Muhleisen & Son, 2607 Williams Blvd, Kenner, LA 70062 on Friday, January 22, 2016 from 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Additional directions to their location can be obtained by calling them at (504) 466-8577 or visiting their website @ www.muhleisen.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **22**. 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM (CT)

L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home
2607 Williams Blvd
Kenner, LA 70062
(504) 466-8577
info@muhleisen.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Marianne Raley*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *I am so sorry for the passing of my friend from bowling tournaments and leagues we shared together, my condolences to the family. Last time I saw her was at Sam's and we had talked about great memories and laughed about the past time. Loved her so much. She will be missed.*

Pamela Sylvia Morgan - February 13, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ *My name is Nancie Finnell... Marianne spent the last 35 years with our family. She lived with my Grandmother Patsy Johnson, and was a huge part of our family since I was a small child. Its interesting because I've never met any of the relatives that were mentioned in her obituary. We were her family. We loved her very much and we will miss her greatly...*

Nancie Finnell - January 27, 2016 at 10:13 AM



“ *For the short while I knew Ms. Raley, she brought a ray of sunshine to my life. RIP, and God bless her mother, sister, and family.*

Raini Denet/Carpenter House

Raini Denet - January 24, 2016 at 08:46 AM



“ *Marianna and I met while working for Whitney Bank. After Katrina she and I would sit and talk for hours about my loss of home, family and friends. She always had kind, comforting words of encouragement. She was very special in many ways. Her love for people she knew, especially those she considered family was warming and sincere. I'm sorry we lost contact with each other since my retirement. My heart is heavy. Thank you for the time you gave me. You will always be in my prayers and thoughts. Rest in peace my dear friend.*

Kathy Sammons

Kathleen Thriffiley Sammons - January 23, 2016 at 12:34 PM



“ *1 file added to the album photos*



Jackie Mengel - January 22, 2016 at 03:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marianne Raley.*



January 22, 2016 at 03:31 PM

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“ Heaven has gained another great voice. Carolyn and I are saddened to hear that a classmate of mine at Shawnee Mission South was taken at such an early age. We send our condolences to the Raley family and all her friends...you will be missed!

Scott Mallin - January 22, 2016 at 12:54 PM

KJ

“ I have spent the last few days in reflection and feeling my own mortality. Marianne was a loyal and special friend to me since Jr High at Nallwood, High School @ Shawnee Mission South and since covering over 40 years. She is responsible for my children and grandchildren as she introduced me to my 1st husband. I will be forever grateful for that. No matter what was going on in her world, she always called me on my Birthday. I am terrible with dates and doing good to remember the birthdays of my immediate family, much less the friends that I consider most dear. I spoke to her after Thanksgiving and she told me she was fighting the good fight against this terrible disease, but ultimately it was up to God to decide. It kills me that I could not be there to hold her hand in her final days. But I know in my heart she knows I was there in spirit. I tried calling for weeks prior to her death, but she had been moved to hospice and was impossible to get hold of. I so much wish I could be there tomorrow for her memorial, but financially it is not possible. I can only hope that God appreciates the newest angel for his celestial choir as she she will certainly be an asset. There are few friends that I have had in this life that I considered family as I am an only child, however Marianne was one of them and I will miss her terribly. May God be with Barbra and Sara Jo and I can only hope that their road in the coming days will be blessed.



Kristi Jamison - January 22, 2016 at 07:42 AM

PA

“ *Patti Alford lit a candle in memory of Marianne Raley*



Patti Alford - January 21, 2016 at 08:47 PM

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“ *Marianne was one of the most kind, caring and just plain wonderful of all my friends. We had known each other since our Junior High days at Nallwood Jr. high. And when we got to Shawnee Mission South High School in Overland Park, Ks, we were choir mates in Acappella choir, but her talents in singing, she also got to be a part of a smaller yet elite group called The Heritage Singers. Marianne was given a gift from God of a beautiful Soprano voice. I am sure she is now singing in The Lord's celestial choir. Marianne will also be a blessed angel looking over her Mother Barbars, and her Sister Sara Jo. I remember about 5 years ago my husband, son and myself, we went to New Orleans on vacation, and part of our trip was New Orleans. Marianne took a day off from work, to spend it with us, and she was our wonderful tour guard. It was wonderful getting to see her again. She also came to our high school when our alumni choir had their first concert. I was so happy she came. I am going to miss my friend a lot. I also feel guilty that over the years I did not have much contact with her. But I pray she knows that it was not intentional. She has always been my friend, and I know I will see her again when it's my time to cross over. God bless you Marianne, and your mom and sister. Keep watch over them. You will be missed terribly by a lot of people. I will always treasure my friendship with you.*

*Love forever,
Your friend,
Patti (Richardson) Alford*

Patti Alford - January 21, 2016 at 08:47 PM

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“ MARIANNE(TROUBLE) WAS THE KINDESS AND CARING PERSON I EVER KNEW.THERE WAS NOTHING SHE WOULD NOT DO FOR YOU,REMEMBERD EVEYBODYYS BIRTHDAY, ANNIVESARY, HOLIDAYS, NAMES,.WHEN WE COULDNT REMEMBER SOMEONES NAME YOU CAN BET YOUR BUTTONS SHE KNEW IT.MARIANNE ALWAYS PUT OTHERS AHEAD OF HERSELF THATS THE KIND OF OERSON I LOVED AND WILL NEVER EVER FORGET. MY HEART IS BROKEN AND I WILL NEVER FORGET HER.SHE IS IN HEAVEN WITH THE OTHER ANGELS BECAUSE SHE DESERVE THAT HALO. MY WHOLE FAMILY LOVED HER SHE BECAME FAMILY. I WILL NEVER FOGET YOU MY SISTER. PRAY FOR US YOU ARE WITH GOD WHERE WE ALL PRAY TO BE ONE DAY. LOVE DIANNE, DANA AND THE WHOLE FAMILY.

DIANNE J NAGIN - January 21, 2016 at 04:57 PM

SJ

“ Marianne was one of the kindest, most dignified people I have known. I first encountered her years ago when she worked at the Whitney Bank on Harrison. She always greeted me by name, and when she moved to Gulf Coast Bank I was delighted to see her there. She was very private about her illness, and never complained, giving me a smile and a warm greeting. She was a wonderful woman, and her absence on this earth is a loss. My deepest sympathies to her family and close friends.
Sue Jernigan

Sue Jernigan - January 21, 2016 at 02:44 PM