



## Leah Pope

June 14, 1994 - January 6, 2009

POPE, LEAH - Our Precious Loving Daughter and Sister, Leah Pope, age 14 of Dacula passed away, Tuesday, January 6, 2009. Memorial Services will be held 7:00 PM, Friday, January 9, 2009 in the Chapel of Hebron Baptist Church, Dacula with Rev. Matthew Mitchell officiating. Leah was a Freshman at Dacula High School, Co-Captain of the Freshman cheerleading squad and a member of the chorus at Dacula High School. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Dacula and was very active in the youth group and Wednesday night girls Bible Study Class. She is survived by: Parents: Mark & Angela Pope, Dacula; Brothers: Reese Pope, Americus, Georgia; Dixon Pope: Dacula; Maternal Grandparents: Bob & Betty Lynn Ellington, Albany; Aunts & Uncles: Robert & Sala Ellington, Fred & Marti Ellington, Bobby & Jana Pope, Libby & Kenny Harry, Tina & David Glanton, Keith Pope; Cousins: Laine, Mary Kate & John Robert Ellington, James & Marissa Ellington, Robert, Tyler & Alison Pope, & Keith Collier. Leah is also survived by other special family. Flowers will be accepted or in lieu of flowers, memorials to the Georgia Baptist Childrens Home, P. O. Box 329, Palmetto, Georgia 30268. Family will receive friends from 4-8 PM, Thursday, January 8, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church of Dacula, 2655 Fence Road, Dacula, Georgia 30019. Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045. 770-962-3100. Please sign online guest registry at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Dacula  
2655 Fence Road  
Dacula, GA

## Service

JAN 9. 7:00 PM (ET)

Hebron Baptist Church  
Dacula, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Leah Pope*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Angela,*

*Your family has been on my mind and in my prayers very often, Daddy said he talked with you. I pray that God's comfort will surround you and your family and the memories of Leah will bring your comfort.*

*Cathy##imported-begin##Cathy Cain Kavanaugh##imported-end##*

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January 22, 2009 at 07:02 PM



“ To the Pope Family,  
I am so sorry about the lost of your daughter. I did not know her but from the messages she was a very sweet girl. As you know the bible does bring comfort at times like these. One thing to know is that God is not the cause of Leah's death, this is shown in James 1:13. His original purpose was for us to live forever on a paradise earth and that pupose will still be fulfilled in God's due time. Therefore, you have the hope of seeing your lovley daughter once again. To see that wonderful smiling face. Know that there is one that is ruling the world and it is not God. rev 12:9 shows who is misleading the entire earth.It is satan and he's the one to blame for all this. I believe the account of Job will greatly give you a perspective that you have never thought about. I encourage you to read that account. Ps 37:11 shows that one day we will live on a peaceful earth, because Jehovah,God will fulfill his promise in Rev.21:4 were it says "And He will wipe out every tear from their eyes and death will be no more, neither will morning ,nor outcry nor pain be anymore. the former things have passed away." You will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Junia Prosper##imported-end##

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January 21, 2009 at 06:50 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Leah touched the lives of everyone that she came in contact with. I taught Leah in 2nd grade and always remember her wonderful smile and fantastic attitude. When she smiled at you, you could not help but to smile back. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Melissa Baughman Timmerman##imported-end##

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January 12, 2009 at 09:40 PM



“ She was a beautiful girl who looked just like her mother. I know she also probably had your bubbly and fun personality. I worked with Angela at Palmyra before she married. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Pam Athon##imported-end##

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January 12, 2009 at 05:06 PM



“ I am a member of Hebron Baptist, and I saw Leah's announcement in the paper last Thursday. I have been praying for you all ever since I read the notice, and I will continue to do so. I have 2 young daughters of my own, and I am holding them a bit tighter everyday now. Leah was a beautiful girl, and I have heard that her heart, personality, and love for the Lord were just as beautiful. Even as our community grows, we all retain the "small town" caring as we connect others to Jesus Christ and His lifestyle. I know that her life, regardless of the brief time that she lived, did just that. All my love and prayers, Stephanie Muzi##imported-begin##Stephanie Muzi##imported-end##

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January 12, 2009 at 03:19 PM



“ Mark, very sorry to hear of the sadness brought to your family with the loss of your daughter. May God grant you the peace and strength to handle such a pain. May friends and family embrace and rally around you and Angela today and days ahead to help you find happy days again and be inspired with the wonderful loving memories you have of Leah. The memories and inspirations she has given can never be taken away.##imported-begin##Danny Ashley##imported-end##

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January 12, 2009 at 08:29 AM



“ *What a beautiful brown eyed child! She made the world a better place. Our lives were blessed by knowing her. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*  
*Melinda###imported-begin###Melinda Heimerich###imported-end##*

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January 10, 2009 at 12:41 PM



“ *To the Pope family : Kevin Bailey & all of Dixon's friends on the Dacula Wrestling team want to send their prayers & thoughts to all of you. Leah will be missed by all that loved & knew her.*

*We wanted you to know the wrestler's, coaches & parents from Dacula High School Wrestling team love you all, you will be in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin###Kevin Bailey ###imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 09:50 PM



“ *Dear Mark and Angela,*  
*Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We love you,*  
*Jim and Rachael Martin###imported-begin###Jim and Rachael Martin###imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 09:07 PM



“ *Angela and family,  
You may not remember me, however, I used to live down the street from you on Murray Hill Lane in Albany. I am so very, very sorry for your loss. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that God will give you the strength you need to get through this very difficult time.*  
*Celia Cain Franklin##imported-begin##Celia Cain Franklin##imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 07:51 PM



“ *Dear Mark, Angela, and Boys, i am so sorry about Leah, as a parent my heart breaks for all of you, i will pray for all of yall...love, julie and family##imported-begin##julie giddens hernandez##imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 05:05 PM



“ *Dear Leah's Family,  
I am so very sorry about your lovely daughter. Her picture is beautiful. I do not know any of you but she sounds wonderful and I know you will miss her. She is with our Lord and is free from all the worries of this earth.  
I will be praying that God will lift that spirit of grief, and give you strength.*  
*Phyllis Justice##imported-begin##phyllis Justice##imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 03:41 PM



“ So sorry about your loss. While I did not know Leah, I do share in your loss because I too lost my daughter at an early age. God is faithful to give peace in what seems to be the darkest hour. I will make a donation to the Children's Home in Leah's memory. I am a trustee and this is a ministry close to my heart.##imported-begin##Bobbie Liggett##imported-end##

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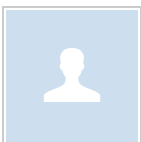
January 09, 2009 at 12:40 PM



“ The halls of Dacula HS will not be the same without Leah. She was such an amazing role model for all our kids. Upon hearing about Leah's death, my daughters first words were "Leah was the nicest person I had ever met and she idolized her brother". Leah set an example for all her friends to live by. Leah was sent by God to serve a purpose and she did, she touched the lives of everyone around her by her kindness, her laughter and her spirit. Words cannot express our sorrow. Leah will be missed by all but she will also never be forgotten. May God Bless you all!!##imported-begin##Leigh Townsnd##imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 12:36 PM



“ Mark, Angela, We are keeping you and your family in our prayers.##imported-begin##David & Rhonda McCurdy##imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 11:25 AM



“ Angela,

*I'm not sure if we have ever met or not, but I am very good friends with Mallory Garland. She has told me lots about you and your family. I just wanted you to know that my heart breaks for you because I cannot think of anything worse than losing a child. There are no real words of comfort at a time like this, but just know that others share your pain and are praying for you and your family.*

*Sincerely,*

*Melannie##imported-begin##Melonnie Wilson##imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 11:23 AM



“ Angela

*I am so very sorry. Peace be with you and all of your family.  
Virginia##imported-begin##virginia ann flick##imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 10:27 AM



“ Dear Pope Family,

*We were so sorry to hear of your loss. We will be praying for your family.##imported-begin##Mark & Deborah Mathis-Palmetto High Class of '77 & '81##imported-end##*

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January 09, 2009 at 09:32 AM



“ Dear Mark & Angela,  
I just wanted to let you know that I am thinking about you and your family during this very difficult time. I can't imagine the pain and heartache you feel right now. May the Lord sustain you and comfort you during this time. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.  
In Christ love,  
Cheryl###imported-begin###Cheryl (Kearns) Miller###imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 09:28 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin###Caroline( Smith) Cannady###imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 08:40 AM



“ We loved Leah very much and we are grateful that we knew her. We have talked about so many beautiful memories of her over the past few days and we are just heartbroken that she is gone. You all are in our prayers and our thoughts are with you during this sad time. We love you, Reba, Diane and Shelby.###imported-begin###Diane Jones, Reba Hinson, Shelby Jack###imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 08:37 AM



“ Angela and Mark, I was so sorry to hear about Leah and can't even imagine your pain. Please know that though although I'm in Wyoming, I am praying for you and your family. God is gracious and good and he's holding on tight to you both.  
Love, Mary Catherine###imported-begin###Mary Catherine Barks (Carson)###imported-end##

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January 09, 2009 at 12:25 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear about Leah. I had the joy of teaching her in 6th grade. She always had a smile on her face and a kind word for everyone. She was one of my favorite students. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Kim McElroy*

*Dacula Middle School##imported-begin##Kim McElroy##imported-end##*

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January 08, 2009 at 10:38 PM



“ Mark and Family , You are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Anna Hargis -Palmetto High School Class of 1977##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 09:32 PM



“ We are very sorry to hear about your loss. We will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Brent and Sharon Davis##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 09:17 PM



“ Mark and Ang, our hearts are heavy. We mourn the loss of sweet Leah. She was one of the sweetest children we have ever met and was always so sweet to Ashley at the Ellington's house. She treated Ashley like one of the cousins. We are thinking of you and praying for you during this difficult time. May God keep you and comfort you! We love you all!##imported-begin##Craig, Heather, Casey, & Ashley Rhodes##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 08:17 PM



“ Every night when i lay down i still feel that you will walk into lunch the next day and will be just as perfect as you were the day before. You were the best at everything. A friend, cheerleader, daughter, sister, and much, much more. I still don't know how this could of happened so fast. One day we were laughing in p.e about that girls shoes and the next i"m holding onto Tracy crying my eyes out. I will always have a place in my heart for you Leah. All of us down here know that your are in a better place now. May you rest in peace. I love you forever and always Leah.E Pope. 6/14/1994 - 1/6/2009 ❤️  
##imported-begin##Kelly French and family##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 06:44 PM



“ We don't always know Gods plan in life why he takes such great loving and sweet people like ,Leah maybe he needs her to cheer all his children home thats what i beleave, I also know the years we cheered together she was one of the most inspiring young lades on the squad, I'll always rember those times  
Thank you for being such a great friend, Love you always Christa McDaniel##imported-begin##Christa McDaniel and Family##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 04:45 PM



“ Leah Pope was such an amazing girl. she was super sweet and kind. She always put people before herself and always helped when they had problems.I dont know of any enemys that she had.She was and will always be loved and missed.We will keep her in our hearts forever.Leah Pope i love you,and i miss you.To Leahs family,im deeply sorry for your loss and i understand that you are devistated.##imported-begin##meagan kann##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 02:59 PM



“ Dear Pope Family,  
My heart goes out to all of you as you share this unexpected event in your life. I'm sure God has other great plans for Leah and she will be in his hands as she travels her journey into eternity. My thoughts and prayers surround you.

Love,  
Donna Richardson##imported-begin##Donna M.  
Richardson##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 02:41 PM



“ I am so sorry about Leah. She was such a beautiful girl. She looked just like you, Angela. Please know that I am praying for you and your family. Jay says that he's very sorry and that he will be praying for you too.##imported-begin##Jeni Greeson (from CBS)##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 02:04 PM



“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. She will be a much missed member of our church family.##imported-begin##Dana Tyler##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 01:32 PM



“ Mark, I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. I took a moment and read the wonderful messages that others had written about your beautiful Daughter Leah. It is obvious that she is as beautiful on the inside as in appearance. My heart goes out to you and your entire family.##imported-begin##Sybil Gilmore Lanzzone##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 12:38 PM



“ I am so sorry at the loss of your precious Leah. May you find comfort in your memories and the knowledge that Leah had a positive effect on so many lives during her short time on Earth. I pray that our Lord bring you strength, peace, and comfort until you meet Leah again in Heaven.  
With sympathy and prayers,  
Patti Woschitz##imported-begin##Patti Woschitz##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 12:29 PM



“ Mark, I was so sorry to hear about your family's loss. Please know that you are in my prayers.  
Becky##imported-begin##Becky Gilmore Ferrell##imported-end##

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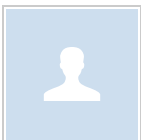
January 08, 2009 at 12:11 PM



“ Thinking of your family as you deal with the loss of your beautiful daughter##imported-begin##Jan Lathum Bolien##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 12:09 PM



“ Dear Mark and family:  
My heart aches for you as I cannot imagine the pain. Please know that you and yours are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Laura Wooddall LaFore##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 12:03 PM



“ To my dear cousin Angela and her family Mark, Reese and Dixon. Words cannot express what I am feeling for all of you right now, my heart is breaking for you. But know this - that sweet precious daughter of yours lightened your life for 14 years, and nothing can take those wonderful memories away from you. What a blessing she was to her family and everyone she knew. You had that bright shining star with you for a very short time, but oh what a precious gift she was! She is with her Lord and Savior now. And I believe Granddaddy, G-G and the rest of her loving family that passed on before her met her with open loving arms at heaven's gate, so she is safe, loved and will forever be your guardian angel until you meet again. I love all of you so very much and pray for you during this difficult time. Love, Pamela, Andy and Austin##imported-begin##Pamela, Andy and Austin Brown##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:58 AM



“ Mark, my heart goes out to you and your family. We will pray for you all. Billy##imported-begin##Billy Dollar##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:53 AM



“ Dear Mark and Angela, i am so sorry for your terrible loss. you are in my prayers##imported-begin##Angela A. Foster##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:33 AM



“ I will keep all of you in my prayers. May God give you strength at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Audrey D. King##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:27 AM



“ I was so blessed to have taught all three of the Pope children. Each so very special and unique in their own way, Leah was certainly the icing on the cake!! Leah was such a wonderful person - both inside and out. Never did an ugly comment come from her lips. Never did she treat others with disrespect or unkindness. She was good and pure in her thoughts and actions and lived her life in this manner. What a blessing and role model she was for others - a true witness for Christ. She was, is, and will forever be an angel! Love and miss you, Leah!##imported-begin##Hope Smith##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:23 AM



“ Mark and Angela,  
My heart breaks for your loss. No words are adequate during this time of grief but know you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God's Grace and Love comfort you now and in the days, weeks, months and years to come.  
You have my deepest sympathy ,  
Lynn##imported-begin##Lynn Moses##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:09 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Shannon Davis##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 11:08 AM



“ *What a special person Leah was and it is so apparent how many lives she touched. Our loss is great and I pray that Jesus fills that loss in everyone's hearts with fond memories.*  
*Angela ~ I can't begin to imagine how you feel, but know that you have a friend close by and that I would love to be here for you in any way possible.*  
*We love you and will continue to pray for comfort to you and your family.*  
*Love, Candy###imported-begin##Candy Tournas###imported-end##*

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January 08, 2009 at 10:58 AM



“ *To hear of Leah's passing was like a knife in my heart. How such a beautiful young girl could leave us so soon is a mystery but God has a meaning for everything. It is unimaginable the loss the Pope family is experiencing at this time. God has her by his side now, and she is forever resting in Heaven above. A sweet guardian Angel to watch over her friends and family. May God be with you all during this time and may your beautiful daughter, sister, and friend be remembered and missed so dearly.###imported-begin##Tia D'Amico###imported-end##*

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January 08, 2009 at 10:09 AM



“ *Mark, Angela, Reese & Dixon. It seems words are so empty but know I have been & will continue to pray for you. You have always been special to me. Sometimes we just don't have the answers we want & even if we had answers they would sometimes not be enough. When answers aren't enough, praise God we have Jesus! May He wrap you in His arms & just love you as only He can do.###imported-begin##Beryl Richards###imported-end##*

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January 08, 2009 at 09:36 AM



“ Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in every thought and prayer. May God wrap you in His loving embrace and give you some peace and comfort.##imported-begin##Amanda Holland & Family##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 08:53 AM



“ To the Pope Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Angela you are such a sweet and special person and I know my Noah loves you dearly. May God wrap his arms around you and your family in this time of sorrow. And know that sweet Leah is with our Lord and Savior now.##imported-begin##The Dixon Family~ Anthony, LEah, Nicholas and Noah##imported-end##

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January 08, 2009 at 08:40 AM



“ My heart and prayers are with you. Leah was a beautiful sweet girl and I am sure that God is holding her in his loving arms right now.##imported-begin##Angela Markwalter##imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 11:30 PM



“ Leah was such a bright and beautiful light in a dark world to everyone she met. She was and is loved by so many because of her humor, smile, and precious spirit that made her a delight to be around. Her spirit and personality was just magnetic, drawing you closer to her each and every minute you were with her. Our hearts are breaking for you; Mark, Angela, Reese & Dixon -for the pain you are going through right now. But I know that Christ is with you all and will continue to share your grief so that He can help you get through this very difficult time. You are such a wonderful family & you all love Jesus so much, hold tight to your love & faith in Him. We love you and are praying for you constantly. Please let us know if there is anything we can do. Our family will be here for you if you need us. Love & Prayers, The Worley's - Tracy, Melanie, Mitch & TORIE###imported-begin##Melanie Worley###imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 10:53 PM



“ Mark, Angela, Reese & Dixon,  
I am so sorry to hear of your sudden loss! My prayers & thought sare with you during this time! Angela I am not sure if you even remember who I am but when Reese was very little I took care of him at Massey Childcare in Athens Georgia! I found out about the passing of your daughter from my Sunday School Teacher Mrs. Janice Wilbanks she said she remembers Mark from Georgia Power! Anyway My Husband & I will keep you in our prayers always! Love, Melissa (Edge) Bone###imported-begin##Melissa (Edge) Bone###imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 10:44 PM



“ Mark, Angela, Reese and Dixon,

*Our hearts break for you all, but your faith in the Lord inspires us as well. Leah was truly special and never without a smile on her face. Good Job, Good Job will forever be how we remember her. Please know you are and will continue to be in our prayers. God is smiling as Leah sits next to Him.##imported-begin##The Meekers##imported-end##*

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January 07, 2009 at 10:13 PM



“ We came to Georgia in 1994 and soon after found Dacula First United Methodist Church where we met the Pope family. We have seen Leah grow into a beautiful young lady . We will never forget her amazing smile and her loving spirit. We will miss her so much. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mark, Angela, Reese and Dixon. We love you and may God Bless You.##imported-begin##Shiflet Family##imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 07:57 PM



“ Leah was a loving child that will missed by all. I have watched Leah grow through her school years. Having Leah in class was always a joy. Leah always came through the doors with a smile on her face. Leah was always kind to others and never said a harsh word about or to anyone. Her smiling face and laughter will missed greatly. For the Pope family always know Leah was such a loving and caring child. We will miss you Leah!##imported-begin##Kim Hammond##imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 06:57 PM



“ Mark , Angela, Dixon & Reese .. Our prayers & thoughts are with you. We can not even imagine what you are going through right now. We are praying for all of you and we are here for you if you need anything at all. We are Praying & thinking of all of you. Love . the Bailey's Daniel , Lisa Kevin & Kyle###imported-begin###Daniel ,Lisa Kevin & Kyle Bailey###imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 06:00 PM



“ Please know that all of you are in our hearts and prayers. We are so sorry about Leah. She still is the "spittin" image of you, Angela, and I can tell that she had many of your wonderful qualities. As parents, we can't even imagine how heavy your hearts are right now. I am sorry that we can't be there physically right now. We are in Ala. for a few days. May God wrap his arms around all of you and give you the strength to carry on. We do love ya'll very much.  
Flint & Cindy###imported-begin###Flint & Cindy Davis###imported-end##

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January 07, 2009 at 03:57 PM



“ Leah Pope was a precious gift from God! She was the BEST friend any one could ever have. She Always had a smile on her beautiful face that could lite up the Whole entire room. I had so much fun with Leah in chorus!! Leah was so humble in everythig she did. I have so many funny memories of her that I will never forget. God blessed Leah with the gift of encouragement. I have never met someone so sweet as Leah Pope! I Can't wait until the day I see my sister in Christ again. I never heard Leah talk bad about any one. She was so Amazing and you could see the love and joy of God through Leah Pope everyday. That is what i will miss most about Leah Pope! Leah Pope, i love you and thankyou for being a positive role model for me and the girls at Dacula high... we need more girls like you! I will remember Leah Pope ALWAYS and FOREVER!!!

*These Bible verses are for the Pope Family*

*Ecclesiastes 7:14*

*Enjoy prosperity while you can, but when hard times strike, realize both come from God. Remember nothing is certain in this life.*

*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

*For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest. A time to kill and a time to heal. A time to tear down and a time to buil up. A time to cry and a time to laugh. A time to grieve and a time to dance. A time to gather stones and a time to gather stones. A time to embrace and a time to turn away. A time to search and a time to quit searching. A time to keep and a time to throw away. A time to tear and a time to mend. A time to be quiet and a time to speak. A time to love and a time to hate. A time for war and a time for peace.##imported-begin##Jennifer Hamby##imported-end##*

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January 07, 2009 at 03:28 PM