



Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach)

November 26, 1956 - July 3, 2016

Nahill - Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach), age 59, was born on November 26, 1956 in Duluth, GA and passed away peacefully at her home on July 3, 2016 in Clarkston, GA. She was surrounded by her husband, sons, mother, siblings and their spouses, and Aunt Brenda. Valerie rose victorious after a 14 month battle with cancer.

She lived a fulfilling life helping others and touching many people in a very special way. Valerie loved her church and singing in the choir where she performed several solos, rejoicing and honoring God. Valerie was a graduate of Shamrock HS, class of '73, in Decatur, GA. She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church in Lawrenceville where she was a choir member, soloist, and a member of Ladies Fellowship. Valerie was also a former member of Clarkston Baptist Church & First Baptist Church Tucker.

She retired from the DeKalb County School System after working 18 years as a media clerk. Previously, she worked at various hospitals, clinics, and doctor's offices. She spent many years working as a volunteer in cross-cultural ministries teaching adults and children of all ages through ESL classes, Sunday school, vacation bible school, Back-Yard Bible Club and mission trips into various states. After Hurricane Katrina, Valerie helped rebuild a church and community in Biloxi, MS. She also served as a caregiver for her mother and other elderly ladies, and she was an avid Mary Kay

saleslady who loved to be pretty.

Valerie is preceded in death by her father: Bobby Chester Leach; step-father: John Kennedy; maternal grandparents: James Ausbon & Rillie Irene Bowman; paternal grandparents: James & Ruby Leach, Lawrenceville; first husband: Harold Blaise, Jr. She is survived by her devoted & loving husband: Daniel Francis Nahill, Clarkston, GA; sons: Derik Ian Blaise, Stone Mountain, GA; Daniel Alan Blaise, Breckinridge, CO; mother: Rillie Mae Leach Kennedy (Bowman), Tucker, GA; brother & sister-in-law: James David & Joyce Leach, Lawrenceville; sister & brother-in-law: Cindy Ellen (Leach) & Glenn Bowman, Greenville, NC; step-sister: Ruth Kennedy, Shire, Tigray, Ethiopia; step-brothers & spouses: David & Sonja Kennedy; Apsely, Victoria, Australia; Stephen & Penny Kennedy, Horsham, West Sussex, England; in-laws: Francis (Frank) John & Yvonne (Vonnice) Grace Nahill, Bushnell, FL; former in-laws: David (Dave) & Barbara (Bobbie) Kribs, Magnolia, TX; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, & friends.

Valerie will be cremated & laid to rest in the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Lawrenceville, GA in her family's plot next to her daddy and step-father during a small ceremony following her funeral. The family will receive friends from 2-4 PM & 6-8 PM on Thursday, July 7, 2016 at Tim Stewart Funeral Home: 300 Simonton Rd SW Lawrenceville, GA 30046. 770-962-3100. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, July 9, 2016 at New Hope Baptist Church: 1945 New Hope Rd. Lawrenceville, GA 30046. Please leave online condolences at www.stewartfh.com

Cemetery Details

New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery

1945 New Hope Rd
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville
300 Simonton Road SW
Lawrenceville, GA 30046
(770) 962-3100

Visitation

JUL 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville
300 Simonton Road SW
Lawrenceville, GA 30046
(770) 962-3100

Funeral Service

JUL 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Hope Baptist Church
1945 New Hope Road
Lawrenceville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach)

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ dan me and mama are sorry for your loss it is a hard thing i know but just know shes not suffering now and is with jesus god bless you.....

russell higgins - July 08, 2016 at 10:53 AM



“ Sending heartfelt prayers to Valerie's family. She was a sweet woman who was loved and cherished by many. Rillie Mae, don't hesitate to call on us if you need something. Johnny and Donna Bennett



Donna Bennett - July 07, 2016 at 11:02 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach).



July 07, 2016 at 03:46 PM

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“ I met Valerie at a Mary Kay party and we became instant friends. Her beautiful smile and infectious optimism drew people to her. I was always happy and peaceful for being in her presence. Valerie's beautiful soul is now Heaven's bright angel and I will miss her light in my life. Please know that my family and the family of Mary Kay are praying for your family.

Sharon Ellis - July 07, 2016 at 08:04 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach).



July 06, 2016 at 06:15 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach).



July 06, 2016 at 03:47 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach).



July 06, 2016 at 09:31 AM



“ I am saddened to hear the news of the passing of one so kind and special. I had the pleasure of working with her at Columbia Elementary she always had a smile for everyone she would come in contact with. My prayers go out to the family. Just know that she left a lasting impression on everyone she met. Rest in sweet peace your spirit will live on. Heart felt sympathy Dorothy Elesby and family former Co-worker 🙏🙏🙏 watching over you

Dorothy Elesby - July 05, 2016 at 07:35 PM



“ I never met Valerie, but I felt like I new her well, I read the post that was wrote and I prayed for her and her family every day, I know her brother David and my heart hurts for him and his family, Valerie is resting now and I pray y'all get some rest and your hearts will heal. Love, Janice Stowe

janice stowe - July 05, 2016 at 05:05 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach).



July 05, 2016 at 05:00 PM

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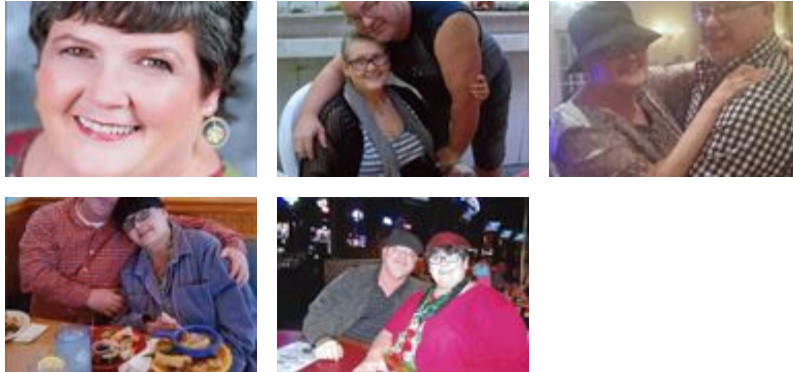
“ Angela Leach and the Pilgrim Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Valerie Diane Blaise Nahill (Leach).



Angela Leach and the Pilgrim Family - July 05, 2016 at 04:36 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - July 05, 2016 at 03:31 PM

JW

“ I will always remember Valerie's sweet smile. No matter when you saw her the smile was always there. Her presence is sure to be missed by all who knew her. Heaven truly gained a precious soul.

Jeni Warren - July 05, 2016 at 02:39 PM

TB

Valerie was in my Sunday school class at FBCTucker. Her personality filled the room and she was always available to help anyone. Our loss is heaven's gain.

Tommie Bullard - July 05, 2016 at 07:56 PM