



## Dianne Miley Felts

October 14, 2014

Dianne Miley Felts died peacefully on October 12, 2014, at Haven Hospice free from the pain that ravaged her body most of her life. She was born in Hahira, Georgia on July 21, 1940, to the late Eugene Woodrow Miley and Frances Griner Miley.

Dianne was a graduate of Hahira High School class of 1958 and enjoyed high school reunions with dear old friends. Dianne attended Valdosta State and North Carolina State. She retired from Florida State College in Jacksonville. She lived in Georgia, North Carolina and Florida during her life. She had a sharp wit, keen intellect and a fun sense of humor. She was elegant and kind.

Dianne was a voracious reader and enjoyed partaking in everything from suspense to historical drama to politics. Even at the end, she steadily persuaded her daughter to think about ideals by having her read Charles Krauthammer aloud while she slept.

Dianne was a passionate Christian and active volunteer in her church life. She participated in bible study, prayers askers and the choir. She loved to sing and take care of others.

She was a fantastic cook and took great pride in nourishing her family and friends with delicious and comforting food. Cooking was one of the

tremendous ways she expressed love to others.

For the last 30 plus years, Dianne built a life of mutual care and love with her husband Thomas Felts. Dianne loved to travel and she and Tom had many great adventures from Bermuda to the Bahamas and New York to California. Her two dogs Charlie and Sassy gave her great joy and love. She loved the beach and she loved life.

She is survived by her loving husband, Thomas Earl (Pearly) Felts of Gainesville, FL; her son Charles (and Lillie) Powell of Greensboro, FL; her two daughters, Lisa Felts of Jacksonville, FL, and Angela (and John) Gieras of Westwood, KS; three sisters, Marilyn M. Brady of Hahira, Susan (and Jack) Prescott of Lynn Haven, FL, Kathy (and Danny) Beverly of Hahira; and one brother, Woody Miley of Hahira; three grandchildren, grandsons Josh Powell of Ocala, FL and Ashton Eslinger of Jacksonville, and granddaughter Brett Gieras of Westwood, KS; one great granddaughter Isabella Powell of Ocala; nieces and nephews, Lisa (and Joey) Herring of Lake Park, GA, Brink Prescott of Panama City, FL, Marti (and Jerry) Redding of Hahira, Ryan (and Mikki) Prescott of Austin, TX, Julie (and Tom) Nguyen of Atlanta, Bradley (and Gina) Beverly of Phoenix, AZ, Lea Miley, Trey Miley both of Valdosta; aunts, Fairy Powell of Tallahassee, FL. She was preceded in death by her parents, Frances Griner Miley and Eugene Woodrow Miley.

A celebration of Dianne's life will be held on Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 1:00 pm at Forest Meadows Funeral Home Chapel, 725 NW 23rd Ave with Rev. Laurie Vidal officiating. There will be a visitation one hour prior starting at noon. Interment will follow at Forest Meadows Memorial Park West.

The family is grateful to the numerous friends and family who came to sit and talk with Dianne during her last days. She knew she was loved. Her caregivers at Haven Hospice were kind, generous and gave the family a great

gift during a very difficult time.

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ *Thoughts & Prayers during this difficult time.*

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**John Wayne (Hondo) Allen** - November 05, 2014 at 03:09 PM

PR

“ *Lisa and Angela,*

*Thinking about both of you after reading your mother's obituary in the paper yesterday. Sounds like she was quite a gal - obviously the apples didn't fall far from the tree! I hope you are both doing well and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Percy*

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**Percy Rosenbloom** - October 17, 2014 at 02:08 PM

BT

“ *Dear Pearly,*

*Just wanted to let you know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of the family through this very difficult time. Dianne will be truly missed and sorry we couldn't make the trip.*

*Love,  
Brett Allen and Ashley Tabb*

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**Brett, Ashley, Brayden and Ava Tabb** - October 16, 2014 at 10:36 AM

GW

“ Dear Susan,  
We are very sorry to hear about your  
Sister.  
Please know our thoughts and prayers  
Are with you and your family.

Gary and Cumi

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**Gary and Cumi Walsingham** - October 15, 2014 at 10:29 PM

BD

“ Sure is tuff losing another family member our thoughts prayers will  
forever be with you.

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**Billy & Mindell Downing** - October 15, 2014 at 02:26 PM

OC

“ Tom:  
  
Thinking of you. Our thought and prayers are with you and your  
family.

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**Ophelia Carver** - October 15, 2014 at 11:04 AM

AS

“ Diane was and will always be a dear friend of mine. She loved her  
Florida Gators as much as I love the Tennessee Vols. We would  
always tease each other about the outcome of the game.

Diane was a true blue southern belle.

May God Bless Pearly and the rest of the family.

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**Allen Stoutt** - October 14, 2014 at 05:32 PM

WF

“ *Many Prayers. Diane was beautiful lady with a beautiful soul and a heart to match. She will be truly missed.*

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**Wendy F** - October 14, 2014 at 04:31 PM

KB

“ *Dear Dianne, You have left your fingerprints on my heart, never to be erased. I will miss you so. You are precious to me, it would take writing a book to tell all that you have been to me. My big sister, my friend, my mentor, my encourager, my companion in laughter, hugs, and my comforter in sad times. I love you so much, words cannot express it. You have moved on from this life on this earth, but I am sure that in heaven, they know you have arrived. Love you forever, forever and ever, my sister you'll be. Kathy*

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**Kathy Miley Beverly** - October 14, 2014 at 01:56 PM

RW

“ *Our condolences to the Felts family. Our thoughts and Prayers are with you during this difficult time. Through Jesus Christ life is eternal.*

*Russell and Denise Watkins*

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**Russell Watkins** - October 14, 2014 at 12:02 PM

JH

“ *Our sympathy and prayers in the loss of Diane from a Hahira classmate.*

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**James And Linda Hall** - October 14, 2014 at 09:43 AM