



Donna Blakley

June 3, 1959 - October 1, 2017

Donna Kay Blakley, 58, of Monrovia, sadly passed away after recently receiving a cancer diagnosis at 5:25pm, on Sunday, October 1, 2017, in Methodist Hospital. She was born on June 3, 1959, in Indianapolis, to the late Raymond and Jessie (Graves) Quakenbush.

Donna graduated from Warren Central High School in 1978. Having met her match nearly 40 years ago, Donna, “the brains” was perfectly paired and united in marriage with Jerry, “the muscles” on February 12, 1983. A tiny, yet mighty woman and contrary to her petite structure, Donna’s heart was enormous. Gifted with a green-thumb, she could grow and save just about anything. Donna's happy place was found while therapeutically working in the flowerbeds and watching the different hummingbirds that frequently visited her gardens. In addition, she was a proud homemaker and always managed to selflessly put the needs of others before her own. The ultimate caregiver, her life was solely indebted and dedicated to loving and caring for her daughters, grandchildren and husband. Donna’s bright smile and bubbly personality will be greatly missed from this world.

Survivors include her loving husband of 40 years, Jerald T. Blakley of Monrovia; daughters, Jennifer Lynn Blakley, Katrina Renee Blakley of Monrovia and Melissa Kay Yaney (husband, Joel) of Mooresville; adopted granddaughter, Josephine “Jo” Lynn Gipson of Monrovia; sisters, Kellie Crow

of Indianapolis and Barbara Price (husband, Stanley) of Noblesville; cherished grandchildren, Samson Joseph and Maverick T. Yaney of Mooresville and Taylor Lynn Mercer of Mooresville; mother-in-law, Agnes Blakley of Monrovia; brother-in-laws, Ed, Dave, Doug and Sam Blakley all of Monrovia; and her elderly bulldog companion, Sir Reginal Wadsworth, "Waddy."

A Gathering of Family and Friends will be held from 11:00 a.m., on Saturday October 7, 2017, at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia, with the Celebration of Life Memorial Service beginning at 1:00 p.m. Pastor Keenan Steinway will officiate services. Cremation & Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family or light a candle in her memory visit www.lightmemorial.com.

Cemetery Details

Cremation

585 E. MAIN STREET
Monrovia, IN 46157
<http://www.lightmemorial.com>

Previous Events

Friends & Family Gathering

OCT 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ 90 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - October 06, 2017 at 08:23 PM

BP

“ *To my little Sis,
There are not enough words to tell you how much I love you & how much I will miss you.
I will miss those weekly phone calls every week, sharing our thoughts. I so looked forward to talking with you. It didn't matter how busy we were, we always took time to call each other. I know we will someday see each other again, I'm counting on it. We always had good times when we were together, we shared a love for Lake Monroe, we sometimes met there, fun times, won't ever forget them.*

*God bless you,
Your big Sis
Barbara*

Barbara Price - October 06, 2017 at 01:01 PM

BL

“ Donna was a sweet part of our family. I loved her very much. I remember when she was born she was such a tiny fragile little thing and I was going back to Tennessee and didn't want to leave her. I just cried and I remember aunt Jessie Donna's mom told me not to cry that she would be ok. And she was ok. And grew up to be a beautiful young woman both inside and out. And I always loved her ...!!!
But I believe she is with the Lord and I will see her again and that family reunion will be one very exciting event. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family ...!!! I know their hearts must be breaking. I pray the Lord will comfort and bless them as only he can. Her cousin Betty Sue. That's what she always called me. Betty Sue. Not just Betty but Betty Sue

betty lamb - October 05, 2017 at 08:13 PM

MB

“ I sit here reading the words of this obituary... seeing your name as the one who has left us...reading these posts saying “rest easy”, “RIP”, “will miss you”... it all seems so surreal. I just can't wrap my mind around any of this! I am just so broken hearted and confused as to what happened and it all happened so fast. I have many memories of you that I will carry and cherish for always. Playing at your house as a young girl with the girls, field trips with Jo and Aiden, school functions, parties, you coming over for play dates and spending hours just talking. You were a one of a kind woman and stepped up for Jo when she needed it the most. For that I will forever see you as a hero. Jo's hero! We sure lost an amazing woman when you left us, but heaven gained such a beautiful, selfless soul. Until I see you again, I love you!

Michelle B - October 04, 2017 at 11:03 PM

AG

“ Donna was my second mom growing up. We all had so much fun together. She was always full of love and so caring. She also wasn't afraid to put us back in line when we needed it. Prayers to the family as they go through this difficult time.

Angel Geeslin - October 04, 2017 at 08:42 PM

TE

“ Sorry to hear of my cousin's passing. Not seen in many years but I remember her very well. Such a sweetheart way back in the day. Very sad news. I wish the family strength in this time. Tena Graves Napolitan



Tena - October 04, 2017 at 06:27 PM



“ Sure miss the old days drinking coffee and watching our kids play together. You were always the backbone for everyone. Will miss you very much.



Cynhia Sprunger - October 04, 2017 at 03:48 PM

KS

“ I love you. I miss you terribly. You were alot of things to alot of people, but, you were my big sister, my hero, my voice of reason, my protector, my teacher, my confidante, my very best friend. You taught me so much growing up. There are so many things I can say here, and you know them all. So many memories. Your beautiful smile. Your laugh when I would say something silly, just to get you to laugh. But I know you're at peace now. Probably fishing with Daddy. Thank you for everything. I love you, and I will see you again.

Kellie Crow, your little sister. - October 04, 2017 at 02:35 AM

BS

So sorry for your loss sis BIG HUGS and know you guys are in my prayers

Becky scott - October 04, 2017 at 01:52 PM

KB

“ Donna was like a sister to me, she was a good and kind hearted person. She loved her 3 girls and her grandbabies! She was all about helping others and putting her needs last. She left us way to soon and will truly be missed by all who knew her. I love you Donna until we meet again!
Don't you worry about Jerry and Jo well all pitch in and help. Thank you my friend for all you've done for Jo and Jennifer! Your hard work didn't go unnoticed.
Love You My Friend!!!
R.I.P.



Kim Brown - October 03, 2017 at 09:32 PM

JK

I have known Donna for about 40 years. She was one of the nicest people i know. Always smiling and happy. She will be truly missed. Prayers and love for the family during this difficult time.

Joan Keith(Woodruff) & David Keith

Joan Keith - October 04, 2017 at 01:14 PM