



Margaret Ann Vick Balding

December 28, 1942 - June 27, 2014

Surrounded by her loved ones in the family home, Margaret Ann Vick Balding went home to her heavenly Father on June 27, 2014. Her strong will to live, unwavering faith in God, and the love and prayers of family, friends, and many supporters carried her through her valiant fight with breast cancer.

She was born in High Point, NC, on December 28, 1942, the oldest daughter of James and Virginia Vick.

Margaret is survived by family: husband, H. Jerry Balding, Sr.; three children, Tambra, Jerry Jr., and Susan-Marie; four grandchildren, Andrew, Meagan, Golan, and Shane; and one great-grandchild, Finnick; her dearly beloved Mother, Virginia T. Whitmire; and her precious sister, Shirley Vick O'Neal. A loving devoted wife, Mother, and talented homemaker, she will be most remembered as being a woman of strong faith with a compassionate and humble spirit. Throughout her life, she maintained a sweet and honest demeanor that won the trust and hearts of many who remain changed by her Christian witness of constant nurturing love and faith. Her signature gift of joy, shown through her constant smiling, laughter, and joking around, will never be forgotten.

After graduating from Travelers Rest High School, Margaret married her high school sweetheart, Jerry, and together they lived a true love story: married 51 years, raising 3 children. Possessing a true servant's heart, she faithfully cared for family and friends through skills which varied from delicious cooking/ baking from scratch to cake decorating, sewing, and crafting. A woman of faith

and the heart of the Balding family, Margaret shaped their spirituality by her tireless Christian example, and also through various prayer groups and church activities. She went to Drones Business College and also worked as a Secretary to the Dean at North Greenville College. With a real zest for life, Mrs. Balding loved to draw, read, pray, sew, entertain, and picnic—especially with her grandchildren. She was a faithful member of Praise Cathedral Church of God in Greer.

There will be a visitation for friends and family from 1:30-2:45 p.m. and a Funeral Service at 3:00 p.m. led by Reverend Jerry Madden and Reverend Bobby Johnson at Praise Cathedral Church of God, 3390 Brushy Creek Rd., Greer, SC, 29650 (864) 879-4878, on Sunday, June 29, 2014. Pallbearers include: Eddie Greenwood, Larry Epps, Charlie Cox, Andrew Hill, Joseph Wingerter, and Golan Balding. Graveside services will be held at Mountain View Cemetery in Greer, SC.

Memorial donations can be made to Greer Community Ministries, P.O. Box 1373, Greer, SC 29652 (864) 877-1937 or The American Cancer Society, <http://donate.cancer.org/index?campaign=finishthefight>

Yet, beyond financial donations, Margaret always lived by the Golden Rule: Treat others the way you would like to be treated. i.e. Perform a loving act of kindness, make someone laugh, send a card, give a hug, or say “I love you” to your special friend in her memory.

The family is deeply grateful for the outpouring of love, prayers, and support in many heartfelt forms from too many people to name individually, but including: Lutheran Hospice; amazing family and friends—either through prayer, food, and/ or visits; neighbors; and even random acts of kindness through total “strangers”. Our Angel who lived, laughed, and loved.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Cemetery

303 North Avenue
Greer, SC 29650

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 29. 1:30 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Praise Cathedral
3390 Brushy Creek Road
Greer, SC 29650

Service

JUN 29. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Greer, SC 29650

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest sympathy top your entire family
Jerry, Chris and Donna Harvey*



Chris Harvey - June 30, 2014 at 12:11 PM

ET

“ *So very sorry for your loss jerry Emily Taylor Seneca light an water*

emily taylor - June 30, 2014 at 10:32 AM

DC

“ *Jerry and Family,*

Just heard of Margaret's passing and want to tell you and your family how sorry I am. You certainly have my prayers. I remember her being such a sweet person way back when in T.R. and apparently she did not change. May God be with you during this difficult time.

Dianne Crain Coleman

Dianne Crain Coleman - June 30, 2014 at 09:19 AM

CC

“ *Such a pretty lady and what a testimony to her life. You have my sympathy.*

Carole Cole

Carole Cole - June 30, 2014 at 08:40 AM

CK

“ Jerry,

The City of Seneca heard of your wife's passing over the weekend. We are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you during this difficult time.

The city made a \$75 donation to The American Cancer Society in Margaret Ann Vick Balding's memory.

*Praying for you and your family.
The City of Seneca*

Cindy Kelley - June 30, 2014 at 08:34 AM

RS

“ Jerry, While I didn't know your wife, I do know that who we are as husbands, are the reflections of those we love. So, as I know you I also knew your wife thru you. I am sorry for your loss.

I am reminded of the story you see in tourist store on plaques. Jesus and a man were walking on a beach and having a discussion of the good times they had spent together. The man said "But Lord thru the tough times in my life I looked back and the was only 1 set of footprints in the sand. Where were you?" Jesus said" My child, I love you & would never leave you. The one set of footprints you saw were mine. It was thru those times, I carried you...

If you can look behind you, I'm sure there are only one set of footprints.....

*Thinking of you,
Rhett Smith*

Rhett Smith - June 30, 2014 at 06:31 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Ann Vick Balding.*



June 28, 2014 at 03:07 PM