



Claudia Elizabeth Oliver

May 13, 1948 - February 10, 2023

Claudia Oliver, 74 of Newport, passed away Friday, February 10, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents, Claude & Rachel Ponton; sister, Linda Franklin; brother, Ronnie Ponton; brother-in-law, Bill Bramlett; mother & father-in-law, Wayne & Frances Oliver; and brothers-in-law, Jack Oliver & Lonnie Oliver.

She was born in May 1948 to Claude and Rachel Ponton. She met and married Garry Oliver in July 1969 and gave birth to her son, Marty Oliver in October 1971. The love of her life was her devoted husband of 54 years, Garry Oliver and her devoted son of 52 years, Marty Oliver.

Claudia developed many special friendships with relatives and neighbors in the Sinking Creek and Roanoke Valleys. She had a special group of lady friends from her years of working at the VA Tech Bookstore and she maintained friendships with them over the years.

Late in life she met her son's special friend, Jr. Baldwin of Lynchburg, VA and developed a loving special love for him and his family. Claudia also deeply loved her two special angels, Jr. Baldwin and Kim Bramlett.

She was so special to all who knew her, and she will be greatly missed.

Funeral Services will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at

Level Green Christian Church with Pastor David Looney officiating. Interment will follow at the Level Green Christian Church Cemetery, Newport, VA.

Arrangements by Paitzel Funeral Home. www.paitselfh.com

Cemetery Details

Level Green Christian Church Cemetery

3388 Cumberland Gap Road
Newport, VA 24128

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Level Green Christian Church
3388 Cumberland Gap Road
Newport, VA 24128

Tribute Wall

KL

“ *Karen Link lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver*



Karen Link - February 16, 2023 at 09:36 PM

JD

“ *Janice Damewood lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver*



Janice Damewood - February 15, 2023 at 10:02 PM

JD

“ *To Garry, Marty Wayne, and sister Janet,
I have lost a wonderful childhood friend with the passing of Claudia.
We grew up across the street from each other and were together
every day. The wonderful fun we had playing and spending time
together will always be great memories. She was a lovely, beautiful
person inside and out. Every class at school that Garry and I had
together, he always talked about Claudia. Garry and Marty Wayne
were the loves of her life. God has a special angel watching over us.
How lucky we are. I will miss you my friend.
Love To All,
Janice Damewood*

Janice Damewood - February 15, 2023 at 09:59 PM

KL

“ My sincerest condolences to Garry Marty & family. Claudia was a very special woman. She was my neighbor since I was a child & also a very sweet friend to my Mother, Janice. She took Mom to see Conway Twitty many years ago. Mom was thrilled! I attended Level Green Church with Claudia & she was always friendly & personable. When she spoke of Marty, she lit up!! I attended her service today & it was a beautiful tribute to a very special woman ! And Marty, your letter was overflowing with love for your Mother. I could "feel" it!! I loved all the sweet pictures especially the ones of Claudia as a young woman. She was so pretty. I am blessed to have known Claudia. She will be greatly missed in our little community. And Garry, you two were a shining example of a marriage filled with commitment and love. I will be praying that God will give you his special peace & comfort on this difficult journey.

Karen Link - February 15, 2023 at 06:00 PM

BH

“ I was one of Claudia's friends from the University Bookstore at Virginia Tech. We all went on several trips, out to dinner and had a Christmas party at one of our homes each year. We always had fun and continued our friendships after we retired. My husband, Leon Hamblin, worked with Garry at the Radford Arsenal for several years. They were also friends.

I will miss Claudia so much and send my thoughts and prayers for her family. Barbara Hamblin

Barbara Hamblin - February 14, 2023 at 08:04 PM

AF

“ I'm so so sore for your loss. I pray that there will be comfort to come in the next couple days.

April Fisher

April Fisher - February 14, 2023 at 03:06 PM

SO

“ Sharon Oliver lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Sharon Oliver - February 14, 2023 at 08:56 AM

KB

“ Claudia we will miss you so very much! You were always like a ray of sunshine when we were fortunate to have visits! Always such a happy person! We have lost a beautiful special friend but Heaven has gained an amazing angel! You will remain forever in our hearts! We love you, Kristie, Sadee and Davie



Kristie Bslwin - February 14, 2023 at 07:51 AM

CJ

“ Charles Baldwin, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Charles Baldwin, Jr. - February 14, 2023 at 07:38 AM

CJ

“ Heaven has gained a beautiful angel. The void in my heart will forever be filled with all the wonderful memories we shared. Claudia will always be missed by everyone in my family, she was part of my family and truly an angel.

Charles Baldwin, Jr. - February 14, 2023 at 07:37 AM

MP

“ Melanie Renee Ponton sent a virtual gift in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Melanie Renee Ponton - February 13, 2023 at 11:46 PM

RH

“ Richard & Wanda Hutchison lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Richard & Wanda Hutchison - February 13, 2023 at 09:00 PM

KW

“ Karen Wilson lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Karen Wilson - February 13, 2023 at 08:30 PM

JD

“ Dear Garry, Marty Wayne, and Janet,
My dear friend from childhood is gone and I cannot believe it. Claudia and I grew up together from tiny little girls across the street from each other. There wasn't a day that went by that we weren't together either at her house or mine. What fun we always had. We were the female version of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. Along with her brother and sisters and cousin Ginger. We were all great buddies up until adulthood. In highschool Garry talked to me every day about Claudia and he so wanted to date her. What a wonderful wife and mother she was. I miss you my friend and our talks on the phone and when we saw each other in the grocery store. Rest in peace Claudia. God is getting a wonderful angel.
Love You,
Janice Damewood



Janice Damewood - February 13, 2023 at 05:12 PM

BF

“ Billy, Linda & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver.



Billy, Linda & Family - February 13, 2023 at 01:36 PM

RK

“ Randy, Cathy, Randall & Kayla purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver.



Randy, Cathy, Randall & Kayla - February 13, 2023 at 10:34 AM

YW

“ Your friends at Waco purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver.



Your friends at Waco - February 13, 2023 at 10:14 AM

BH

“ Brenda Holzer lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Brenda Holzer - February 13, 2023 at 09:01 AM

KW

“ Karen Wilson lit a candle in memory of Claudia Elizabeth Oliver



Karen Wilson - February 12, 2023 at 06:20 PM

WH

“ *Wanda S. Hutchison lit a candle in memory of
Claudia Elizabeth Oliver*



Wanda S. Hutchison - February 11, 2023 at 02:12 PM