



## Peggy J Friend

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Peggy Joan Branch Friend, 66 of St. Augustine, Florida and formally of Roanoke, Virginia departed this earth to her heavenly home on Sunday, January 10, 2016 after a long courageous battle with cancer. She was preceded in death by her father, John "Newt" Branch and mother, Margaret Branch and brother, Billy Branch. Left to cherish and honor her memory are her life-long love and husband of 48 1/2 years, Wayne Friend. Daughters and sons-in-law, Lynn and Mark Darby of St. Augustine, Florida and Mechille and Jeff Robertson of Vinton, Virginia. Three grandsons, Ethan Darby, Sheridan Darby and Coleman Darby all of St. Augustine, Florida. Four loving and understanding sisters-in-law, Janet Branch, Susan Thomas, Janet Murphy, and Cindy Treadway. Numerous nieces and nephews. And "Momma's pretty girl" and special dog, Maude. Peggy was born May 19, 1949 in Wythe Co., Virginia and grew up in Pulaski, Virginia. After meeting and marrying her husband and having their children, they moved to Roanoke, Virginia. For the next 24 years, she raised their daughters and worked as a seamstress at various companies including, Tultex and Collegiate Pacific. Then moving to St Augustine, Florida fulfilled a dream for her and her husband. There, she was employed as a seamstress at St. Augustine Marine Canvas and Upholstery and Gidia Sails Canvas Products, until her retirement. She and her husband attended Pentecostal Fellowship Center Church in St. Augustine,

Florida, pastored by spiritual and loving leader, Lois Turner. The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Jeffrey DiMascio with Baptist South Hospital for exceptional care and for going above and beyond in her treatment over the last three years. Thank you also to the nurses on the fourth floor ICU at Baptist South, for helping her final days be as comfortable and peaceful possible. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at the St. Johns Family Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Lois Turner officiating. Interment will follow at San Lorenzo Cemetery. A visitation will take place on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 from 6-8 p.m. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Prayers to you Wayne, Lynn, Mark, Mechille, Jeff and grandsons Ethan, Sheridan & Coleman. Peggy was one of a kind, I was honored to have spent the previous 3 or 4 days with her and all of you, prior to her getting her beautiful wings. I know that you will always hear her singing her hymns and all the oldies that we talked about her knowing and singing. Peggy had a beautiful singing voice, I was reminding her about the Christmas caroling we did when I was in my teens. And I loved to hear her sing Oh Holy Night, and all I knew were the first line, but she started and her voice was so beautiful no one else joined in they just hummed to it to give her back up!! She was more than a sister in law, she was a sister. After being in our family all those years, I dont remember ever hearing a cross word to anyone, and always the peace maker, even in her sickness and pain, she always found a kind word and still had more concern for others than herself. Always a thank you to whoever did for her, no matter her circumstances. And as you and Lynn and Mechille I will miss her deeply. And watching you Wayne, as you nursed her and cared for her, showed the love that you 2 had for each other. A love that I dont think I have ever or will ever see again. Love and Prayers to you all, Susan

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**Susan Thomas** - January 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ (No Guestbook Text Available)

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**Susan Thomas** - January 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Love and Prayers to you Wayne, and family. Peggy was one of a kind and will be missed dearly, But we will meet again on those streets of gold.

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**Susan Thomas** - January 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *I am sorry for your loss.*

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**Carol Hicks** - January 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *My heart breaks! I am so sorry to hear this news, and for the family! Peggy, I know you fought hard and were probably ready to go home so you can finally rest. I love you and pray you weren't in any discomfort, and I lift your family up in prayer. Uncle Wayne, Lynn, Mechille...I have been and continue pray for yall, for God to hold and comfort you and give yall peace that only HE can provide!! I wish I could be there to give comforting hugs but my thoughts and prayers will have to do. I love you all and will be praying, as the next few days and weeks wont seem real. God bless!! Sending my love, Rita*

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**Rita Friend Salas** - January 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Heaven has received another Angel. This Angel is dear to our hearts and will remain in our hearts until we come together once more. Peggy, you are loved and missed dearly. My heart felt love is with my brother Wayne and nieces Mechille and Lynn. I love you all and have you in my prayers. Remember that Peggy is only a thought away.*

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**Cindy Treadway** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *Wayne, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Shirley Friend Payne** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Death is nothing at all. It does not count. I have only slipped away into the next room. Nothing has happened. Everything remains exactly as it was. I am I, and you are you, and the old life that we lived so fondly together is untouched, unchanged. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by the old familiar name. Speak of me in the easy way which you always used. Put no difference in your tone. Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes that we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be ever the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without effort, without the ghost of a shadow upon it. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was. There is absolute and unbroken continuity. What is death but a negligible accident? Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well.*

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**Cindy Treadway** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *i,m praying for peace and comfort for Wayne and family,, God Bless you all. I love you all.*

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**Julia Semones** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *Wayne, Lynn, Mechille, and family, Please know that youre in our thoughts and prayers, love, Chasity & Chris*

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**Chasity & Chris Stevens** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *Thoughts and prayers to you all. Love you Brandi, Andrew, Kayden and Kinsleigh*

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**Brandi Thomas** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *Im so sorry Wayne for your loss she was such a sweet lady and I reminder her smile she always had a smile your in my prayers*

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**coretta worrell** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Lynn and family we are sending our prayers to you. Donna, Al and Adeline*

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**Donna Perreca** - January 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Dearest Wayne, Lynn & Mechille, I love you all and am continuing to pray for you. Peggy was a wonderful sister-in-law, sister and friend. I will miss her dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with you each as you face the future without her. Love to you all.*

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**Janet & Roy Murphy** - January 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM