



Mrs. Joy Warren Resendes

July 27, 1961 - November 8, 2017

Joy Warren Resendes, 56, of Plant City, Florida, born in Tampa on July 27, 1961, entered into eternal rest on November 8, 2017. She was a graduate of Plant City High School and the University of South Florida, earning a Bachelor of Science degree. She was a member of Brandon Church of the Nazarene, where she was a food bank volunteer. She loved her family, enjoyed soccer, hiking, birdwatching, painting, and the beach, and was a closet football fan. She is survived by her husband of 32 years, Valter Resendes; children, Kevin Resendes (Ashley) of Lakeland, and Sara Larson (Jason) of Plant City; grandchildren, Elliana, Carlie, Jaxon, and Julie; brother, Ron Warren (Terri) of Jacksonville; and father, Ronald "Bud" Warren, Sr. She was preceded in death by her mother, Sheila Jo Warren. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, November 11 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 S County Road 39, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Brandon Church of the Nazarene Food Pantry, 114 Kingsway Road, Brandon 33510. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South
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Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MD

“ Joy, Your name so suited you. Joy is what you brought to the people you came in contact with. It was always a joy to see you at the clinic. You fought a courageous good hard fight against cancer. I will always remember your strong faith and grace through this fight. You were such an inspiration. I'll miss hearing about and seeing your photos of your much loved grand kids. I know you will be looking over them from above. I'm looking forward to seeing you again in heaven. Marilyn

Marilyn Duncan - November 12, 2017 at 09:25 PM

JB

Joy was a very loving caring person who will be greatly missed. The love she showed her family and friends was unending. She will be especially missed by her beautiful grandchildren she loved so much.

JoAnn Baxley - November 13, 2017 at 09:27 AM

GF

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Resendes family , today and each day here after. Joy will be greatly missed by all those who knew her.

Glass family - November 11, 2017 at 01:12 PM

IM

“ Joy will never be forgotten! Her strong spirit , her compassionate heart, her strong faith; made her one of the strongest women I have ever known. She is/was one of a kind.

isabel Maroney - November 11, 2017 at 12:37 PM

RD

“ Joy I will never forget the great times we had making fun of my sister together. Ha ha, but seriously you and Nancy loved each other and has a special friendship. Throw me into the mix and we just had a little fun at her expense . Someday we we will do it again. I bet Jesus is just amazing face to face!

Rachel Dorn - November 11, 2017 at 08:11 AM

SW

“ Joy has been my best friend for 25 years and she has been like a second mom to my kids. In all those years I’ve never seen her angry or have a bad thing to say about anyone and today I’m supposed to say goodbye and I’m not quite sure how I’m going to do that. I have so many amazing memories of Joy and throughout our friendship I’ve done many things, to many to count, that have embarrassed or made Joy smile. One time we were walking through the parking lot at Walmart and I saw this really nice car. So I decide that I want to see what it looked like inside. Joy is telling me no, to stay away from their car. The windows were tinted very dark, so you couldn’t just glance in. Joy is saying she is going to leave me in the parking lot if I don’t stay away from the car, which of course, she didn’t. No matter how many goofy things I did, she never left me. So to see inside the windows I had to cup my hands around my face and press my nose to the glass. I’m not sure who was more surprised, me or the people inside the car. I quickly explained what I was doing and immediately headed back to Joy. She just looked at me and was shaking her head saying, “When are you going to listen to me?” and if only I could say that was the only time I heard those words come out of Joys mouth but no, to many to count.

I never understood why Joy would want to be my friend. She was always so kind and nice and I was always as mean as a junkyard dog. I had this fear that one day she would decide she didn’t want to be my friend anymore because she would realize that I wasn’t good enough to have a friend like her. Thinking about it now, I see how stupid that fear was. Because if you were blessed enough to call Joy Resendes your friend, then you had a friend for life. I had a friend for life and I wish everyone could have someone in their life as wonderful and caring as she was. This world would be a much better place with more people like her. I love you Joy and I’ll see you in heaven some day.

Sherry Wolfe - November 11, 2017 at 06:26 AM

JD

“ I recall Joy when my husband Rev. Wallace Dorn and myself, Janice Dorn moved to FL in the year of 2,000. She had been working in the Children's Department of The Church of the Nazarene. I was the church pianist at the time and her husband Valter took care of the sound. I was at the piano on Sunday morning and Valter was there to attend to the sound. We communicated before the service and I knew he was nice and gifted man. There two children were quite young at the time but they always brought them to church.

I know Joy will be greatly missed and I know God will bless her homegoing in some wonderful way and her leaving He will use to help others as he used her life when she lived on this earth. This is not goodbye, Joy but I will see you soon in His Big House!

My condolences to Valter, her children and all her family and friends! God be near all of you at this time of loss. Love and my Prayers, Wallace and Janice G. Dorn... <3

Janice Galford Dorn - November 10, 2017 at 12:48 PM

JD

“ Janice Galford Dorn sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Joy Warren Resendes



Janice Galford Dorn - November 10, 2017 at 12:35 PM

CB

“ All my love and prayers to all of you Joy was always a blessing to everyone Miss Happy Happy Joy Joy is what we called her we always would get a smile and a look My heart rejoices for her she is smiling with JESUS now although it hurts to not have her here we will be together again and that's forever

Cheryl Butler - November 10, 2017 at 11:10 AM

TD

“ Walter, we are so sorry about your wife i pray to God that he may comfort you and all your family. I wish i could give you a hug at this very sad time but we are so far away. She is living with God that's for sure she was a good person. Again may God comfort you all. Love you Walter.

Teresa DaRocha - November 10, 2017 at 09:47 AM

SW

“ I still quite don't understand the separation on this Earth. The pain for families is unbearable sometimes. I was blessed to be able to work with and attend church with Joy for 25 years. We had two different personalities. She was quiet and I was high strung LOL but they meshed very well. She was probably the biggest part of teaching my kids about the Lord in all those years. My youngest son is now 20 but in his late teens she would always go up to him and ask him about football and you could tell that it excited her to know the details of his plays on Friday nights. Joy helped make my oldest daughter who was 4 when we first came, feel right at home. And she was able to watch two more my children come into this world and make them feel the same! Love you Joy and although you will be missed so immensely I'm very glad that you are healthy happy and strong and with our Lord!

shannon Waits - November 10, 2017 at 07:57 AM

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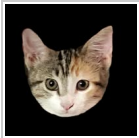
“ There are no words that can be said in the loss of such a very special lady. I know how much she was loved by all. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Kathy Gamble (Mamaw) - November 10, 2017 at 07:54 AM

VM

“ Meus sinceros sentimentos ao meu tio Valter e primos Kevin e Sara. Minha mãe Rosa sente muito e gostaria de poder abraçar o irmão caçula e seus sobrinhos neste momento tão difícil. Um grande abraço da família Resendes do Brasil

Valquiria Resendes Gomes Marques - November 10, 2017 at 07:23 AM



“ The world lost one of the most kind hearted woman I ever had the honor to know. She had a great impact on my life. I have many fond memories of the times we spent together when our kids were younger, playing tennis at the park. You will be missed my friend.



Jill Bates - November 09, 2017 at 08:24 PM