



Debra L. Bernard Yawn

October 2, 1959 - April 26, 2008

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Age 48, a lifelong resident of Albany and a member of First Baptist Church, Debbie was known for her fun-loving and humble life. After a long hard battle with cancer, she was surrounded by family members as she passed away Saturday, April 26, 2008. For many years Debbie devoted herself to managing Lea's Grocery Store, north of Albany.

She is survived by her husband, Curtiss Wayne Yawn of Albany and was treasured by her surviving mother, Deloris Bernard of Albany; a sister, Diana Riddle and husband, Steve of Hammond. Debbie was extremely cherished and cared for by her special sister and brother-in-law, Betty Joe and Gary Lea of Albany. She is also survived by 2 brothers, George Bernard of Albany along with Don Bernard and his wife, Janice of Independence.

Debbie deeply adored her nieces and nephews. They are nieces, Krystal Pauli and Allison Bernard; nephews, George Bernard, Jr., Jason Bernard, Arthur Ellis Bernard, III, Matthew Lea, Brandon Riddle, Christopher Riddle, Scott Bernard, Hunter Bernard and Joshua Bernard. Great nieces are Reagan, Grace, Katie, Kacie, Amanda, Samantha and Madelyn and great nephews are Dylan, Wil and Aaron.

She was preceded in death by her father, Arthur Ellis Bernard, Sr. and her brother, Arthur Ellis Bernard, Jr.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond

on Tuesday, April 29 at 10:30 a.m. with visitation beginning at 7:30 a.m. Rev. Dan Munson will conduct the religious services and interment will follow in Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery in Albany.

The family would like to say a special “thank you” to North Oaks Hospice, especially to Tom; and, to the many extended family members and friends who were extremely supportive during her illness.

Condolences and other information available online at www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.

Tribute Wall



“ your family is in our thoughts a prayers, she will be greatly missed!##imported-begin##Laura Wagner Augello##imported-end##

May 06, 2008 at 09:27 AM



“ My sympanthy goes to all of Debs. family,friends,& husband.Especially to her mother~ Aunt Dee(my sweetest & favorite Aunt of all.)
I only wish I could have been there with you all during this time,I will always hold in my heart ALL the childhood memories of Debbie & myself playing & eating at family dinners together at pawpaw Henry's house,sleeping over at each others house,growing up through our childhood cousin years~ forever,~
Although we grew & went separate ways ,whenever I would come to town where could I find Deb.? Go to Lees Groc. & sure enough ~there she would be, still the happy go lucky Debbie~(SMILING) ~~
Sorry I didn't see you more often in this world, but you were always thought of, and we will run & play again~ the next time we meet~!
(Your Smile will be so greatly missed, for it alway's seemed to make you glow & it brought a smile to others also.)~~~~
God Bless You All~ Janet##imported-begin##Shannan Ramirez##imported-end##

May 02, 2008 at 12:27 PM



“ Sure was sorry to hear of your loss. We will keep you all in our prayers. Curtis I am your mother's first cousin and also Jeff Starkey's dad. The Glynn Starkey Family##imported-begin##Janet Stewart Majesty##imported-end##

April 30, 2008 at 09:35 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Glynn Starkey##imported-end##

April 29, 2008 at 10:47 AM



“ What we will remember is Debbie's sweet smile and disposition. She always asked about our family (especially little Sydney) each time we saw her. We will miss her and we extend our deepest sympathy to Don and Betty Jo and the entire family. We love you and are praying that God will comfort you at this time.##imported-begin##Gordon and Eloise Anderson##imported-end##

April 29, 2008 at 10:24 AM



“ Krystal and family, Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your dear Aunt Debbie. I know how much you loved and cared for her and I know that she knew how much you did love her. She is free of her pain and suffering and we should rejoice for her as she is now in the presence of our Heavenly Father. May God bless each of you. Love, Jo Ellen##imported-begin##AJ and Teresa Kimble and sons##imported-end##

April 28, 2008 at 01:26 PM



“ ##imported-begin##Jo Ellen Carruth##imported-end##

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