



## Denise Lynn Comish

August 4, 1956 - July 22, 2010

Denise Wagner Comish (Dee Dee) went to be with her Lord Jesus on July 22, 2010. She departed this life from The Carpenter House- St. Joseph Hospice in Baton Rouge. She was 53 years old. The favorite pastime for Dee Dee was to spend time with her five grandchildren. They were the joy of her life. Dee Dee's passion as an elementary school teacher was teaching children to read and enjoy books. Prior to teaching school, Dee Dee worked in banking at three different banks, most notably 13 years at Livingston Bank where she was an assistant vice president, loan officer, and the manager of the Albany branch. Dee Dee served alongside her husband, Byron, while he was a full-time pastor for 17 years, serving at First Baptist Church of Springfield LA, Bluff Creek Baptist Church in Clinton LA, and First Baptist Church of Dequincy LA. They also served in an extended interim pastorate at Magnolia Baptist Church in Livingston LA. Dee Dee was an outstanding basketball player at Albany High School and was a member of Southeastern Louisiana University's first women's basketball team.

Many people have blessed Dee Dee with innumerable acts of kindness during her two year battle with cancer. Though this is not a complete list, special gratitude is extended to Dr. Benton Dupont for his expertise and wisdom; Dr. M. Patrick Stagg of Medical Oncology for his professional excellence, compassion, and going the extra mile for Dee Dee; Aileen Brassard, R.N. N.P. for kindness, helpfulness, and caring so much; Dr. Siva Yadlapati for his visits

and assistance; the entire nursing staff and office staff of Medical Oncology for very special care; the nurses on the fifth floor Oncology unit at Our Lady Of The Lake Hospital; the nurses and staff of The Carpenter House of St. Joseph Hospice who provided support, comfort, and very attentive care. We are grateful to many area churches and individuals who constantly and faithfully prayed for Dee Dee. Thanks to the faculty and staff of Walker Elementary, North Corbin Elementary and Principal Glenda Newman, the faculty and staff of Springfield High School and Principal Jody Purvis.

Dee Dee is survived by her loving husband of 34 years, Reverend W. Byron Comish; daughter Jill Comish Fazende, son-in-law Brent Fazende, granddaughters Kylee, Emma, and Caroline of Clinton LA; daughter Carli Comish Nesheiwat, son-in-law Dr. Joseph Nesheiwat, grandson Adam and granddaughter Claire of Denham Springs LA; parents Dennis and Pearl Wagner of Albany; brother Lowell Wagner of Tickfaw; mother-in-law Gwen Comish; sister-in-law and brother-in-law Candy and Rhett Cowart; many nieces, cousins and friends, including her best friend, Sheila Delk.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services at Old Zion Hill Baptist Church, north of Albany on Hwy. 442, on Saturday, July 24, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation beginning at 9:00 a.m. Visitation will also be held at Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond on Friday, July 23, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The funeral service will be conducted by Reverend Joe Baugh, Reverend Joe Wiggins and Reverend Mel Yorks and interment will follow in Old Zion Hill Baptist Church Cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers are Lowell Wagner, Brent Fazende, and Dr. Joseph Nesheiwat.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to The Carpenter House- St. Joseph Hospice, 10615 Jefferson Hwy. Baton Rouge,

LA 70809, or to a church, ministry or charity of your choice.

Condolences and other information are available online at [www.thompsoncares.com](http://www.thompsoncares.com).

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