



Elizabeth Ann Bushika Smiley

August 2, 1941 - December 4, 2020

Elizabeth Ann Bushika Smiley, 79, of Ringgold, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, December 4, 2020. She was born in North Adams, Massachusetts to the late, Joseph & Gladys Bushika and had lived in the Cincinnati area from 1979 until moving to the North Georgia area in 2007. She was a member of Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, where she was actively involved with church activities and bible study groups. She was also a dedicated member of the C.U.F.I, Christians United for Israel and was previously employed with Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science as an Administrator for more than 15 years before retiring in 2007. She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister that will be truly missed by all who knew her. She was also preceded in death by her 5 brothers, Art Bushika, Joseph Bushika, Jr., Frank Bushika, George Bushika and Chuck Bushika.

Survivors include her children, Jeffrey & (Tammy) Berner; Jonathan Berner and Jayne Black & (David Black); 3 brothers, Walt & (Shirley) Bushika, Tom & (Jean) Bushika and Jim & (Nancy) Bushika; sister, Helen Wardwell; 6 grandchildren, Sara, Becca, Rachel, Hannah, Lilly and J.D.; 3 great grandchildren, Alex, Alivea and Jeffrey; several nieces, nephews and numerous extended family & friends.

Services and burial will be private and there will be no visitation at the funeral

home. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by
Wilson & Sons Funeral Homes – Lafayette, Georgia.

Tribute Wall

SB

“ I worked with Elizabeth at CCMS. My life was quite a mess at that time and Elizabeth was always so sweet and had a way with making me feel better. She was a strong woman yet gentle at the same time. One of our coworkers brought in tommy toe tomatoes into the office one day. She loved them and so did I. So we proceeded to eat as many as we could, which was a lot! We both were sick! She could make me laugh. Elizabeth's smile lit up an entire room. She was always very kind and helpful to the students at CCMS. Always went over and beyond. She really did. She made a difference. Rest easy, Elizabeth. You touched many lives. Susan Barnes

Susan Barnes - February 28, 2021 at 05:33 PM

DT

“ I just learned of Elizabeth's passing. I worked with her at CCMS and always appreciated her kindness and gracious spirit. She was a gem and I am privileged to have known her. Blessings to her family. May she Rest In Peace knowing she made a difference in many lives with her care and love. David Tackett

David Tackett - February 14, 2021 at 06:28 AM

DH

“ Just learned of Elizabeth's death. She was a wonderful person. Our boys loved visiting her at CCMS where I worked with her. She will be greatly missed. God bless you all

David G Hicks - February 13, 2021 at 07:13 PM

SR

“ Praying for you and your family Jayne. Hugs❤️

Sonya Runyon - December 08, 2020 at 02:34 PM

DK

“ I'm sending my love to each of you at this very difficult time, Jayne.

Donna Knight - December 08, 2020 at 01:15 PM

JW

“ I have known Elizabeth for almost 40 years. She was the first person I bonded with as our family moved to Milford, Ohio from Illinois. She led our neighborhood Bible Study group. She was always kind, understanding and a best friend. I learned so much from her. Her faith and love of God was contagious. She loved her family dearly. I will miss our phone calls. She was my best friend and I will always remember her. Joyce Woodward

Joyce Woodward - December 08, 2020 at 11:17 AM

WB

“ I sure will miss her .I have great memories of her .Growing up when we were kids living in Stamford ,Vermont . Visiting her in Ringold ,Ga .Always wished we lived closer .

walter Buishika - December 07, 2020 at 07:26 PM

JB

She loved you so much Uncle Walt! She always looked forward to your Saturday phone calls. Thank you for making the trip here to be with us on Friday and for the other trips full of memories you made here in Ringgold. We love you and Shirley. ❤️

Jayne Black - December 07, 2020 at 10:10 PM

JH

“ Elizabeth and I became friends through our church in Cincinnati and then neighbors in Hidden Creek Condominiums. Her home was designed with her favorite things and laced throughout with her love for her family. She was a wonderful hostess to her many friends; I loved it when she served Red Riding Hood soup;) She was an excellent baker too- a wonderful memory will be her apple pie. She would tell me about making Monkey bread for her family on Christmas.

We shared many laughs, tears and angst throughout our time together and am so grateful to have a sister in Christ waiting for me in Heaven.

Julie Hinshaw - December 07, 2020 at 01:22 PM

JB

My kids just said “Who will make the monkey bread on Christmas?” We will be sure to keep that tradition going! You were such a good friend to her and she was always happy when the three of you (Lynne) were together. Thank you for caring for her and all of us.

Jayne Black - December 07, 2020 at 10:08 PM

JJ

“ My aunt Betty would always brighten the day every time we met. She was a ray of sunshine! She was witty and fun to be around and she enjoyed her visits to see her brothers and sister. Our deepest sympathy for my cousins and their families. I’ll never forget aunt Betts smile, her charisma, and sense of humor when we got together at those rare family outings.

Joseph Bushika III - December 07, 2020 at 06:25 AM

JB

Thank you for your kind words. I have so many wonderful memories of our reunions in Vermont with all of you. All of her immediate and extended family meant so much to her. Thank you for sharing. It brings us comfort to know how much she was loved.

Jayne Black - December 07, 2020 at 10:15 PM

AB

“ *Our condolences to the Bushika Family. My heart hurts for you. I grew up just down the road from Joe & Gladys and fortunate to live on the same road as Jim and Nancy for awhile. I have many fond memories. She will live on through the stories that are told of family.*

Bridget (Burns) Billingsley

Anne Billingsley - December 06, 2020 at 09:42 PM

PP

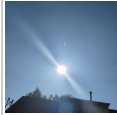
“ *Jayne ur Mom was a beautiful person. Her smile was infectious. One could walk in the room not feeling well n when u saw her smile immediately ur day became better. She was a Christian lady that lived out her love for her Savior everyday so that others could c that love. I am thinking of the song If You Could See Me Now. What a wonderful legacy she has left behind fir her precious family. She loved each one with His love ! What an example for us all to remember. I know she is singing The Hallelujah Chorus with her Savior. Prayers for each family member as u hold onto those precious memories.*

Priscilla Payton - December 06, 2020 at 08:23 PM

SB

“ We will miss seeing your smiling face everyday! You were a great neighbor and we will truly miss you! May you Rest In Peace now and know we were all touched by you . Prayers for the family and friends.

Sonya and Rocky Blake - December 06, 2020 at 08:00 PM



Jeff and Tammy I'm so sorry for your loss.

Shirl Golden - December 07, 2020 at 02:05 AM

KC

“ Keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers, Jayne. Your mom has left a great legacy of faith for your family and now she is completely healed and walking with her savior. May you all feel God's peace and comfort in the coming days. So many people love and care for you. With love!

Kandy Carter - December 06, 2020 at 07:36 PM

JE

“ John Edgeman lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Ann Bushika Smiley



John Edgeman - December 06, 2020 at 07:28 PM

SK

“ I know Tammy Berner and this is her mother in law. So sorry to hear that she has passed. I know you were very close to her and she loved you and her son very much and all of the grandchildren in your lives. Thinking of you Tammy with love and prayers. Susie Kinn

Susie Kinn - December 06, 2020 at 06:45 PM

TM

“ Although I've only known Elizabeth for a short time thru church and bible studies I could see and hear her love for the Lord I know she is enjoying her heavenly riches Prayers for the family 🙏

Theresa Milner - December 06, 2020 at 01:15 PM