



Searcy Dianne King

November 3, 1946 - April 29, 2022

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Beloved mother, sister, grandmother, and friend, Searcy Dianne King, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family, on April 29, 2022, at the age of 75.

Searcy Dianne King was born at the King Hotel in Tullahoma, Tennessee on November 3, 1946, to Grover Cleveland "G.C." and Mary Searcy (Couch) King, Jr. She also lived in TX, FL, GA, Spain, CA, and back to TN before returning to Tullahoma in 2006.

During her early years she was in the band (flute), chorus, 4-H, Science Club, Tri-Hi-Y, Rainbow Girls, FFA Sweetheart, Girl Scouts, and was a dancer, cheerleader, and a majorette. She graduated from San Jose State University with a dual degree in Technical Illustration and Fine Arts. Her artwork included pottery, oils, watercolors, silk screen, charcoals, and ink. In addition to her efforts as a Forms Designer, she had personal interests that ran the creative gamut. She was a Girl Scout Leader, a Boy Scout Den Mother, made beautiful flower arrangements, made costumes, taught graphic design and watercolor classes. She volunteered for many organizations and touched the lives of many people with her giving spirit.

Searcy Dianne was a passionate woman – holding fast to her beliefs, defending those she loved, and always seeking to better herself. She loved her family (especially her grandchildren), The Beatles, rare steak, her Ya-Ya's, a good breakfast, the color red, dark chocolate, solitaire, personal accountability, coffee, laughter, the architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright, reading, lively conversations on any topic, decorating on a dime, traveling, cool weather, the music of Andrea Bocelli and Josh Groban, her pets, growing plants and flowers, and attending live theater. She enjoyed cooking and baking for others, giving of herself and helping wherever she went. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Mary King; stepfather, Thomas A. A. Hopkins; aunts and uncles, Dot (King) and "Doc" Bragg, Marjorie (King) and Dick Poitevin, Mary Ann (King) McCord, Robert L. Couch, Jr., and first cousins, Edward A. McDowell, IV and Thomas M. McCord.

She leaves to cherish her memory son, Walter Scott and Ruth (Hines) Speelman and grandchildren, Anna and Zachary Speelman, all of Clermont, Florida.

Sisters, Nancy (King) and Kenny Phillips, Bell Buckle, Marilyn (Hopkins) and Bill Phillips, Wartrace and Kathryn Hopkins, Tullahoma.

Aunts and uncle, Dot (Couch) and Tom Watson, and Dot (Morton) Couch, all of Tullahoma.

Nieces and nephews, Mandy (Phillips) and Haven Shaw, Jennifer (Phillips) McGee, and Winn and Gemma (Vines) Phillips. Great nieces and nephews, Walt, Boone, and Will Shaw, Tucker and Tipton McGee, and Kennie Reese Phillips.

First cousins, Fran (Couch) and Jon Gray, Candy Couch, Mary Beth (Watson)

and Dave Gass, Anabel (Watson) Hobbs, Tommy and Janice Bragg, Stephen and Beth McDowell, Elizabeth (McDowell) and Ed Dement, John and Michelle McCord, James and Kristian McCord, Bill McCord, Bruce and Rosalyn Poitevin, Bill Poitevin, and Richard Poitevin.

Her family and friends will miss her generosity, sassy wit, bright smile, and deviled eggs.

We are so grateful for the time, laughter, and love we've shared with Searcy Dianne. At her request, we invite her family and friends to celebrate her life on Sunday, May 22 from 3-5pm at the South Jackson Civic Center, 404 S. Jackson Street, Tullahoma. Bring a smile and a story. All are welcome.

Contributions in memory of Searcy Dianne King can be made to Compassus Hospice, 1805 N Jackson St, Suite 11, Tullahoma, TN, or South Jackson Civic Center, PO Box 326, Tullahoma, TN (online: southjackson.org), or to a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

MAY **22**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

South Jackson Civic Center
404 S Jackson Street
Tullahoma, TN 37388

Tribute Wall

SG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sarah Grove - May 03, 2024 at 12:13 AM



“ Searcy Dianne King

January 25, 2023 at 12:28 AM

ED

“ I remember being at my Aunt Dot's as a child; Dianne showed up while I was there. Her beauty just struck me - to this day I have the memory of how I felt, even as a little girl. She must've been a teenager at the time. It was nice to get to visit with her some after she returned to Tullahoma in her later years. She had a firm grasp on the Truth of God's Word, she is with Jesus her Savior now, and I will see her again before too long. Love you cousin Dianne. My love to her dear sisters and the rest of her family.



Elizabeth Dement - May 21, 2022 at 06:09 PM

PK

“ My condolences to the family and friends of Searcy. I interacted with Searcy in recent years, and she and I attended family reunions in the early 1990s - both of us being descendants of Drury Woodson King and his wife, Tennessee Polk King. May your fond memories of Searcy sustain you. - Philip W. King III

Phil King - May 07, 2022 at 11:59 AM

CF

“ Carrie and family purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Searcy Dianne King.



Carrie and family - May 04, 2022 at 06:28 PM

TB

“ Although I remember Dianne as a child growing up, I primarily got to know her in recent years as she pursued moving back to Tennessee or close proximity in the early 2000s. I had exchanged many emails with her in recent years, got to see her occasionally; and came to appreciate her as a strong Christian and a warm, good-hearted person. We shared so much in regard to our Christian beliefs and viewpoints on things that were occurring in our country. She will be missed.

Tommy Bragg
Scottsboro, Alabama

Tom Bragg - May 04, 2022 at 04:36 PM