



Geraldine A. Tapley

January 9, 1952 - February 26, 2024

Geraldine "Jeri" Tapley

Jeri passed away Monday, February 26th, 2024, at Good Shepherd Hospice, Lakeland, FL. She was born in Providence, RI, daughter of the late Leo J and Ada S (Kinnes) McConaghy. She was the loving wife of Larry Tapley for more than 53 years. She leaves behind two brothers, Leo P and John R McConaghy and two sisters, Anne McConaghy and Mary E Dibiase and sister of the late Ada A Grazyk, William and Hugh McConaghy. She was also survived by a host of nieces, nephews and friends. A graduate of St. Patrick's Catholic High School, North Providence, RI. After graduation she went to work for the former NE Telephone, now Verizon, retiring in 1994. She moved to Florida in 1995 and worked for Home Depot for several years before leaving to do volunteer work on the bereavement team at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Lakeland, FL and later at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Jeri loved to travel, especially cruises. Her latest highlight was cruising to Australia where she was able to touch a koala. She was an animal lover, especially cats. She enjoyed her morning walk giving treats to all the neighborhood dogs. Funeral service to be held at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Marcum Road, Lakeland, FL on Friday, March 8th. Viewing from 9-10am with a funeral mass at 10am. Burial to take place at Bushnell Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to Good Shepherd Hospice House, 3470 Lakeland Hills Blvd. Lakeland, Florida 33805.

Cemetery Details

Florida National Cemetery

6502 SW 102nd Ave.
Bushnell, FL 33513

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Saint Anthony Catholic Church
820 Marcum Rd.
Lakeland, FL 33809
(863) 858-8047

Funeral Mass

MAR 8. 10:00 AM (ET)

Saint Anthony Catholic Church
820 Marcum Rd.
Lakeland, FL 33809
(863) 858-8047

Tribute Wall



“ Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Geraldine A. Tapley



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - February 29, 2024 at 10:56 AM

&#

My dear sweet friend. I will love you forever.

“Keek” - February 29, 2024 at 03:11 PM

LM

It was an absolute pleasure to have you as our friend.

God Bless and Rest Well

Liz and Mike - March 01, 2024 at 10:05 AM

DS

Larry, I will always have great feelings and thoughts of the both of you. You and Jeri were perfect together. She will be missed. David N Bock Sr

David N Bock Sr - March 01, 2024 at 10:15 AM

WM

Beautiful memories of a sweet lady. Walt and Jo

Walter and Jo Milzarek - March 01, 2024 at 03:48 PM

JU

Friends forever!!!

jude - March 01, 2024 at 04:31 PM

BB

This was a beautiful tribute of a beautiful lady. She will be missed by so many of her Lake James friends. Rest In Peace Jeri

Bob & June Beard - March 02, 2024 at 07:17 PM

PM

We are so happy we had a chance to spend time with the two of you in January. We have so many good memories of both of you. Words cannot express how sad we are. Larry, we are heartbroken for you. Jeri will be forever in our hearts and prayers.

Patrick and Marie McConaghy - March 03, 2024 at 12:20 PM

ML

Larry, Dick and I are thinking of you at the loss of Jeri. Praying for your peace and comfort during this difficult time. The Lake James Community will miss Jeri and all the dogs during her morning walks with treats! Richard (Dick) McGraw & Martha Lamorey

Martha J Lamorey - March 04, 2024 at 12:32 PM

MS

Our hearts are broken. There are no words. We will all take comfort in knowing Jeri is not suffering and is at home with the Lord she loved so much. Such fond memories will warm our hearts. Love and prayers to Larry, Anne and the rest of her family.

Maryanne Stevens - March 04, 2024 at 02:53 PM

MN

“ Mark N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Geraldine A. Tapley.

Mark N. - March 08, 2024 at 07:07 PM

DR

“ Dear Larry: Deepest sympathy on the loss of Jeri. She touched the lives of so many with her kindness, her zest for life, and her deep spiritual devotion. We will treasure the memories of any time we spent together. May God wrap his arms around you during this difficult time.

Love,
Debbie and Fletcher Records
Gene Day

Debra Records - March 08, 2024 at 04:13 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geraldine A. Tapley.



March 06, 2024 at 07:23 AM



Victoria
Ricks

“ Larry, Clifton and I are so very sorry for your loss. What a beautiful relationship you and Jeri walked in this world. I know you are missing her greatly. We love you.

Victoria Ricks - March 02, 2024 at 09:24 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Geraldine A. Tapley.



March 01, 2024 at 07:19 AM

GZ

“ *She was a very beautiful person inside and out. I will always hold you dearly in my heart and in my prayers. Love you Jeri!*

Gigi M. Zaborac - February 29, 2024 at 08:09 PM

RB

“ *Dear Larry and family!
I am praying for all. My heart aches at the loss.
She was one of the dearest people that I have ever known. I cherish the last visit we had at Harrison. I will continue to hold the family in prayer.
So many memories to hold on to.
Friend, Rose Backus*

Rose Backus - February 29, 2024 at 07:18 PM

CO

“ *Jeri was both faith-filled and faithful to God and Church. May the angels come to greet her and lead her to paradise. Rest well my friend. Till we meet again.*

coelita - February 29, 2024 at 05:47 PM

LT

“ *to my loving wife and the love of my life may you rest in peace until we meet again.*

Larry Tapley - February 29, 2024 at 03:18 PM