



Marlene Sizemore

November 17, 1958 - November 9, 2021

Marlene Kinser Sizemore, 62, of Sissonville, WV (formerly of Tad, WV) went home to be with her Savior and Lord on November 9, 2021 after battling COVID-19.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Patricia Grinstead Kinser and Gary Kinser, and sisters, Sherry Botkins and Kathy Brick.

Marlene is survived by her loving husband of 44 years, Melvin, son, Christopher (Melissa) of Kentucky, grandson, Andrew, brother, Gary Kinser, several nieces, nephews, and close friends.

She attended Dupont High School in Belle, WV where she was a member of the marching band and played the trombone. As a youth, Marlene sang with her two sisters in a gospel group, The Big Bottom Baptist Girls. She retired in 2020 from Kanawha County School System after serving more than 20 years as a cook, head cook, and cafeteria manager for several schools including Mary Ingles Elementary, Capital High School, and Sissonville Middle School. Marlene loved the Lord and faithfully served as a Pastor's wife at Perryville Baptist Church, South Park Baptist Church and currently, Guthrie Baptist Church. She also served in churches by leading the congregational singing, leading the choir, and teaching children.

She will be remembered for the love and care that she showed to her husband, son, family and many others. Marlene enjoyed shopping, fishing with her husband and she loved the beach.

The family wishes to thank those who prayed for her during her illness including the doctors and nurses at Charleston Area Medical Center Memorial for the exceptional care provided during this difficult time; specifically, Dr. Perry of Pulmonary Associates of Charleston and CPU RN, John, for their extraordinary care and support.

The family takes great comfort in knowing that Marlene was a born-again Christian and lived her faith. We do not grieve as those who have no hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13), but we rejoice, and are confident in knowing that Marlene, while absent from this world, is present with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:8). She has finished her race, kept the faith, and claimed her eternal reward and now is at rest with Jesus (2 Timothy 4:7).

Marlene would want her friends and family to know that salvation is available to all. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:13).

In honor of Marlene's wishes, a graveside service will be 3:00pm Friday November 12, 2021 at Floral Hills Garden of Memories, 6839 Sissonville Dr., Charleston WV 25320 with close family and friends. Rev. Christopher Sizemore officiating.

The family respectfully asks that COVID-19 precautions be adhered to and will REQUIRE that everyone in attendance wear a mask. If you need a mask, one will be provided for you.

Anyone wishing to leave an online condolence or memory may do so by

visiting Marlene's tribute page at www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com

Chapman Funeral Home, 3941 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane WV 25526 is honored to handle the Sizemore families' arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Floral Hills Gardens of Memories

Pocatalico, WV

Previous Events

Graveside Service

NOV 12. 3:00 PM (ET)

Floral Hills Gardens of Memories
Pocatalico, WV

Tribute Wall



“ *Marlene Sizemore*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *I am very sad to hear the news of Marlene passing. I worked with Marlene at Kanawha County Schools as the Nutrition Coordinator. Marlene was a great lady and we shared many conversations throughout the years that I was there from 1996-2010. She always wanted the best for her students that she fed and she made sure to get what she needed for them! She was always a very happy person and loved her job taking care of kids and school staff. I will miss her so much but so glad I have great memories of her. Hugs and prayers for her family!*

Stella Young

Stella Young - November 15, 2021 at 11:42 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss, Marlene was such a special person in my moms life Brenda Botkin. She loved they're trips together. She will be greatly missed.*

Penny Botkin Randolph - November 13, 2021 at 07:51 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marlene Sizemore.*



November 12, 2021 at 09:22 PM

ML

“*Marlene I miss u soo much. I know u said for us not to cry for u when u we're gone but I can't honor that request. You also said for us to be happy but it's hard to be happy when ur best friend is gone. We always laughed & said we were not likely friends. You were always so good to me & my family. U were there for me EVERY STEP of the way back back to the cross & u said by my side. I saw Christ in u & felt His love through u. U were so very important in my recovery. Every time I called u answered. I'll miss u more that I can say. U were a Mamaw to my children & best pals with baby Jacob. I get sad every time Melvin comes, cause I know he wonders where u are. 🥹 I have some comfort because I know where u are, ur in paradise with our Lord Jesus. I get a smile when I imagine the sights u are seeing. I love u & love is forever. I see u again & it won't be as long as I think in this moment. Thank u for ur kindness. You always put others before urself, I suppose that's why our hearts are so sad now that ur gone. I'll see u up there & I'll know just where to look & find u at Jesus' feet. Thank You Jesus.*

Mindy Long - November 12, 2021 at 08:49 PM

JC

“*Mel and Chris, so very sorry for your loss, I didn't know Marlene well, but the few times I had the pleasure to talk to her, she was always friendly and kind. I know from hearing Melvin talk about her, which he did often, that she was a fine Christian lady, that was loved deeply by her family and friends. Heaven has truly gained an angel.*

Jeff Cox - November 12, 2021 at 01:19 PM

JM

“ Jennifer Meadows lit a candle in memory of Marlene Sizemore



Jennifer Meadows - November 12, 2021 at 01:15 PM

JM

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Marlene. She was a wonderful friend. I met Marlene back in the early 90's when she worked at Capital High School. We had remained friends all through the years as we both worked for KCS. Marlene always lived her walk with Christ no matter where she was. Heaven is getting sweeter every day with all our loved ones going home before us. You all are in my prayers as you continue through the days, months and years ahead. May God comfort you as you hold on to the sweet memories of a wonderful and precious lady.

Jennifer Meadows

Jennifer Meadows - November 12, 2021 at 01:13 PM

MS

“ There have been a lot of first in my life and Marlene give many if not all of them. She was my first love, my first soulmate, first and only wife, the mother of my first and only son, she was the first to take me to Church, the first that told me about His saving grace, the first to kiss me, love me unconditionally, I was always her first even in the difficult times those times made our love for one another stronger. She always put others before herself.
I will truly miss her more and more each day that passes, however I have the memories of our time together, I hear her laughter in my heart, my soul shall continue to look for her hand to hold, and I'll still smell the fragrance she wore.
This world has truly lost a great person but heaven gained a great angel. Heaven is sweeter because of her.
I have the blessed hope in Christ of seeing her again
When this life is over.

Melvin Sizemore - November 12, 2021 at 11:45 AM

LC

“ I am so saddened to learn of Marlene's passing. I served on the WV School Nutrition Association Board with her for several years. She was always a fun person to be around as well as a wonderful mentor for new members. At our annual conference, she led the memorial service for many, many years. Her faith and compassion soothed many members who had lost co-workers, family members and friends in the previous year. I treasure my memories of Marlene. May memories of her be a blessing to everyone that knew her. Linda St. Clair

Linda St Clair - November 11, 2021 at 07:18 PM

MC

“ So glad that I had the chance to know her and her family in church, Marlene was a great lady and friend to spend time with. I enjoyed our little talks and our trip to the Amish country she will be missed by all that knew her, rest in peace until we all meet again

Mona J Carpenter - November 11, 2021 at 03:46 PM

BT

“ Melvin - I just heard of Marlene's passing. I'm sorry for your loss. Prayers for you.

Bobbi Jo Thomas

Bobbi Jo Thomas - November 11, 2021 at 03:16 PM

BH

“ So sorry to read of Marlene's illness & passing. I remember her as an always happy and fun-loving bandmate at DPHS. It's comforting to read of her faith. I hope it comforts the family knowing where she is now. Cherish the memories you have while she was with you.

Bill Hudnall - DPHS c/o 1978

Bill Hudnall - November 11, 2021 at 03:12 PM

CS

“ I'll miss her bigger than life presents. Her love, kindness and smile. Thank you for being my friend. Love you 🙏

christine Smith - November 11, 2021 at 09:31 AM

JT

“ *Melvin my heart goes out to you and your family during this very difficult time. May God give you peace and comfort.*

Josie Travis

Boyd Company

Josie Travis - November 11, 2021 at 08:23 AM