

Marie Lynn Kanyak, 55, of Caseville & Blue Ridge, Georgia went to be with our Lord on Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at her home in Georgia with family by her side after a bout with cancer.

Marie was born March 8, 1962 to Sylvia (Cilc) Kanyak and the late Donald Mitchell Kanyak Sr of Caseville. Marie was raised on the family farm with her sisters and brothers.

She is survived by her son Shad Kanyak of Warren; her loving mother Sylvia (Cilc) Kanyak of Caseville; sister Judy Kanyak with whom she shared a home in Blue Ridge, Geogria, Judy was her special sister and best friend as well as caregiver in the final months of Marie's life; Cynthia Kanyak of Laurium, MI; Mary Ann Bebo Kanyak of Farner, TN; brothers Tony Kanyak and Steve (Nicole) Collins/Kanyak of Caseville; nieces and nephews: Misty, Eric, Shawn, BJ, Bryon, Tony Jr, Kelly, Darien, Laci Marie (she shared the same birthdate with her Aunt Marie), and Takoda; as well as her special friend Dick Dalton of Tellico Plains, TN. She was preceded in death by her father Donald Sr. (2011), brother Donald Jr. (2015), and brother Kenny (2004)

Marie had a special zest for life. She especially enjoyed family and friends, and gatherings at the family pond. She enjoyed gardening and yard work, golfing, and was a loyal fan of the Detroit Tigers. Recently she went to a Neil Diamond concert with her son Shad which was the absolute thrill of her lifetime. When home in Caseville she attended the Calvary Baptist Church. Marie had a deep affection for all animals.

A memorial service will be 11:00am Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Calvary Baptist Church in Caseville with Pastor Mike Goforth officiating, followed by a luncheon at the church fellowship hall next to the church.

She would like remembrances to be made to: The Thumb Animal Shelter in Elkton or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in her memory.