



Virginia "Gina" Wood

October 12, 1937 - May 11, 2013

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Virginia "Gina" Wood, age 75 of Perryville, Arkansas passed away May 11, 2013. She was born October 12, 1937, in Van Buren, Arkansas, a daughter of Raymond and Louise Bowlin Wood. She was of the Presbyterian faith. Gina retired after 25 years as a laboratory animal technologist at the National

Center for Toxicological Research in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. She was also a former professional women's basketball player for several years playing for Hazel Walker's Arkansas Travelers.

Survivors include, best friend and companion of 42 years, Carolyn Butler of Perryville; a niece, Laura (Chris) Hatridge of Pasadena, Texas; four nephews, Jay Neal (Ashley) of Plano, Texas, Keith (Beth) Neal of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Mark Wood of McKinney, Texas and Jeff Wood of Houston, Texas. Also, extended family of friends, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins and her beloved Brittany Spaniel, Lucy. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister Jerry Neal, and a brother, Roger Wood. Celebration of her life will be held 2:00 p.m. Monday, May 20, 2013, at the Harris Chapel, with private burial at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

Tribute Wall



“ *Virginia "Gina" Wood*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *WILL MISS ALL THE GOOD TIMES WE HAVE SHARED IN THE PASS. WILL MISS YOUR SMILING FACE. YOU HAVE BEEN A GOOD FRIEND.
LOVE YOU,RAE*

RAE LENA - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM



“ *To Butler & family: Gina was a very special friend who loved life, people & animals. I worked in the same facility with her for 25 years and she's been one of my closest friends since then. I will truly miss her. My Prayers are with you and may God keep you in perfect peace. Love, Liz.*

Liz Conner - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM



“ *I wish to offer my prayers and condolences to Carolyn and also to Gina's family. My parents are neighbors of theirs and we have known them for 20 years. I am praying for strength and peace for the family as you go through the difficult process of saying goodbye. She will be missed in the neighborhood.*

Mandy Wood and Family - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

JB

“ Laura & Family, Sorry to hear of the loss of your Aunt Gina; I know she and your mom shared great times and you always got to visit her when you came to Arkansas. I'm sure she is rejoicing with Jerry and catching up. Thinking of you- love and prayers. Jennifer Brammer and Family

Jennifer Brammer - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

JW

“ I love you Gina.

Jeff Wood - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

JW

“ Gina - I love you. Carolyn, I am so sorry for your loss. Thank you also for your love and care of Aunt Gina.

Jeff Wood - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

MN

“ Gina has been the dearest and most loyal friend of my life. We met 60 years ago, at Van Buren High School, whee she graduated in 1955. Gina was a little piece of dynamite on the basketball court, where she excelled throughout her school years. Her skills didn't go unnoticed. She was recruited by the famed; "Hazel Walker and The Arkansas Travelers", the first professional women's basketball team in the country, where she took those lightning fast skills to thrill fans for many years. Gina had the kindest, most gentle heart of anyone I've ever known. My heart goes out to her family and to Carolyn. Please know that I'm hurting with you and I pray that God will hold you in His arms until the pain subsides. Thank you Carolyn and Donna Harmon for keeping me updated these last few weeks. I hope you're finding comfort in knowing what a reunion she's having with Ray, Louise, Roger, Jerry and Buck. I love you all, Martha Anne

Martha Anne Holt Nichols - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

JS

“ *My prayers are with you Carolyn.... I am so glad to have had the time to hear storiers that Gina shared..... Our Lord has took home another Angel.*

Jo Ann Sams - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

LW

“ *Gina, you gread loved. I just found out about your trip to heaven. We were running buddies for so long at NCTR and had the best times. You have been and are missed my dear friend. Butler, thank you for loving our Gina.*

Linda Watkins - June 29, 2018 at 08:59 PM

JB

“ *I married Gina's brother, Roger, at a very young age and basically grew up with Gina as my sister-in-law. She was always very kind and sweet to me. We had a lot of fun together. I will always remember those days. I will always remember her brother, too. Gina is the Aunt of my two sons, Mark and Jeff Wood.*

Carolyn, I am sorry for your loss. I know the absence of Gina will be very hard, but time does heal the sorrow. Please know I share your sadness.

Jeanne Brumbaugh - May 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM