



Lisa Gail Samples

February 10, 1965 - September 8, 2015

Lisa Gail Samples, age 50, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday September 8, 2015 at St. Mary's Healthcare in Amsterdam. She was born on February 10, 1965 in Hampton, VA a daughter of John W. and Beulah Dishner Samples and resided in this area since 1985.

Lisa's life and passion was to teach, which she did for over twenty seven years. At the time of her death, she taught at the Perth Bible Christian Academy. Previously, Lisa was a teacher at two Christian schools in Florida and Busy Bee Daycare in Amsterdam. She spent the same number of years teaching children in church including Sunday School, AWANA, Patch the Pirate Clubs, and Vacation Bible School. Lisa served as Sunday School Superintendent at the Broadalbin Baptist Church, where she was currently a member.

Lisa lived her life for others, the children she taught, her family, and her friends. She will be remembered as being full of life, joy, and a generous spirit. She was predeceased by her grandparents, Bill and Margaret Samples, and Paul and Mary Dishner; a sister, Robin Samples; and a niece, Ashley Nicole Samples.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by two sisters, Lori and Leah Samples; a brother and sister-in-law, John and Kimberly Samples; a niece, Abigail Samples; two nephews, John and Jacob Samples; a great-niece, Elizabeth Lee; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday at 11 am at the Robert M. Halgas

Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown, led by her brother, John Samples, Jr. Calling hours will be held from 9:30 – 11 am at the funeral home. Burial will take place in Kingsport, TN at a later date. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Perth Bible Christian Academy to honor Lisa's passion for teaching.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

SEP **12.** 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

KT

“ *John, Kim and family,
I am sorry to hear of your sister Lisa passing. You are in my
thoughts and prayers. A hug to you from across the miles.
Love you, Karen*

Karen Taylor - September 12, 2015 at 03:07 PM

RH

“ *John, Beulah and family,*

*Sally and I are saddened to learn of Lisa's passing. We rejoice with
you that she is with Jesus. As others have said she had a great he
art for children. Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you.*

Pastor and Sally Hart

Robert Hart - September 11, 2015 at 08:24 AM

PC

“ God has the perfect one to teach smiling to anyone who doesn't know how! Whenever I saw Lisa, she always had a smile and the look of the joy of the Lord on her face, flowing from her heart! Our prayers for strength and peace will grace each sorrowful heart of family, friends, and the precious children to whom she ministered. May God's Word comfort your hearts ~

“But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers (and sisters), about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.” 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 ESV

“Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.” 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 ESV

*With love and SONshine (Ephesians 5:14)
Bob and Pat Calhoun*

Pat Calhoun - September 10, 2015 at 10:20 PM

EB

“ Sorry to hear about Lisa. I worked with her at Busy Bee. She was a great boss and loved her job. Prayers to the family.

Evelyn Brown - September 10, 2015 at 09:44 PM

RP

“ Don and I send our love and prayers. We only knew Lisa as a child and she was sweet and caring then. It is obvious she spent her life serving the Lord and serving others. God bless you all.

Don and Ruth Patton and Family.

Ruth Patton - September 10, 2015 at 08:54 PM

PL

“ So sorry to hear of Lisa's passing. My heart goes out to you and your family. She was such a bright life, and always had a smile no matter the situation.

Phil Lowrance - September 10, 2015 at 04:01 PM



“ Our hearts grieve with yours as a lovely person passes from this world to be with her Lord.-- Ted and Beth Hanson

Beth Hanson - September 10, 2015 at 08:46 AM

PB

love u all so sorry for u loss from my family to your love cousin patsy bledsoe burton and family

PATRICIA L, BURTON - September 11, 2015 at 01:58 PM

CT

“ My heart goes out to all of you. I have many, many memories of Lisa at church and the singles group. She always had a smile on her face even in her pain. She will be missed.

Carol Thompson "ct"

Carol J. Thompson - September 10, 2015 at 07:25 AM

GC

“ So sorry to hear about Lisa.... I will always remember her smile and her kindness to everyone and the way she was always there for Lori.....

Gayle Plum (Heidinger) Lisa's Cousin - September 10, 2015 at 06:20 AM

LH

“ I remember when Luke was starting in cubbies. I was so worried about how he would behave in a group setting as he had not been attending a regular church and had no clue how to sit still for anything. Lisa assured me he was perfectly normal and he'd do fine. I'll never forget that conversation. As a parent leaving your child in someone else's hands for the first time like that...I felt so assured and confident that he would be ok. It wa only because of the joy and peace Lisa exuded when she worked with children that I could leave him without fear or anxiety. She will be missed by parents and children alike. Praying for those closest to her-that you would be comforted as you mourn and that memories would bring you joy as you know she left a beautiful legacy and is now rejoicing in the presence of the One she loved most.

Liz Huisjen - September 09, 2015 at 09:44 PM

NB

“ John, Beulah and family, I will always remember Lisa surrounded by children either in Sunday school or a classroom. They LOVED her. Her gentle and loving ways influenced the beginning of many little ones' first school years. Moms were comforted to know she was their child's teacher. Now in the arms of a Saviour she dearly loved. A big loss for family and friends left behind. Our prayers are with all of you.

Nelsa Barnett - September 09, 2015 at 09:26 PM