



## Elissa Coates

October 31, 1946 - March 5, 2008

ELISSA RAE COATES, age 61, of Haymarket, Virginia died Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at Prince William Hospital, Manassas, Virginia.

Mrs. Coates was a support officer for the CIA for 27 years and served in Hong Kong, Paris, Athens Greece and Rome Italy. She was an ardent arctophile with over 900 teddy bear children. She worked as a volunteer at the White House, Newseum and Inova Fair Oaks Hospital where she was the co-founder of the Life with Cancer Support Group.

She is survived by her husband, Michael D. Capps; one sister, Judie Bell-Dorman of Pennsylvania and her niece, Betsy Bell of Oak Hill, Virginia.

The family will receive friends from 7:00-9:00 P.M. Monday, March 10, 2008 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas. A memorial service will be held 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 7426 Idylwood Road, Falls Church, Virginia. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, National Capital Area Chapter, 5845 Richmond Highway, Suite 630, Alexandria, Virginia 22303 in memory of Elissa Coates.

Condolences may be sent to [www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com).

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ *My deepest sympathy and sincerest condolences on the loss of your lovely Elissa. It has been a long fight. She made a difference in this world, and now God has called her Home. We will miss her. I will always remember her for sharing her dearly beloved bear children with us. May happy memories console you. Love and Bear Hugs, Dibby*

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**Dibby Clark** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

ER

“ *Our continued thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We all have fond memories of Elissa and will carry them with us forever!  
Ellie and Karl Richmond  
Rick and Marni Hall and family  
Nora Tirabasso and family*

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**Ellie Richmond** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

PR

“ *Dear Family of Elissa,  
Please accept my heartfelt sympathies for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

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**Patrice Rehrig** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

SA

“ *I was very sorry to hear the news about Elissa. Please know that my thoughts are with you all at this sorrowful time.*

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**Sheila Avsec** - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

AO

“ Please accept our sympathy and condolences on the death of Ms. Elissa Rae Coates. May her soul rest in perfect peace. May God comfort and grant you and the rest of the family courage and support during this painful period.

God's Blessing on you all.

Akin & Nike Oduolowu  
Lions  
Vienna Host Lions Club

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Akin & Nike Oduolowu - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

SW

“ Dear Mike and Fran,

Roy and have been, and are still, out of town. So saddened to learn about Elissa's death. Thinking of you at this difficult time.

Shirley & Roy Wilson

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Shirley Wilson - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

CP

“ Michael: I was saddened to read of Elissa's death. I remember very fondly our time together in Rome. She was an inspiration to me as i started my career as a State Department management officer. My deepest sympathy is with you and your family.

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Carol Perez - March 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *My Sympathy to Family and friends;  
Wonderful memories of Elissa  
William B Keener*

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March 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM