



Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" Powell

December 31, 1976 - October 5, 2023

Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" (O'Dell) Powell, age 46, of Nokesville, Virginia left this world suddenly on Thursday, October 5, 2023.

Marty was born on December 31, 1976 and by the age of two was in a battle with childhood Leukemia. She defied the odds to share over four decades of life with us. It was a life filled with love of family, friends, God, and country. The daughter of Theodore Calvin O'Dell and Beatrice Elizabeth (Lipps) O'Dell, she was raised with her brother Calvin Eugene O'Dell among rural country farmlands and the church. A lifetime member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church, she enjoyed the friendship of the congregation, singing in the choir, and donating her time in whatever way she could.

Her passion for giving her time to others was apparent at a young age. If she wasn't busy with church activities, she was participating in Job's Daughters, or amassing record volunteer hours as a candy striper at the hospital. A truly compassionate soul, she felt most rewarded helping those in need, and especially those with special needs. She worked as a Teaching Assistant in Special Education for Prince William County Schools and spent a lifetime making herself available as a caretaker for disabled and special needs individuals.

She is preceded in death by her husband Brian Todd Powell, and is survived by their daughter Abigail "Abbie" Elizabeth Powell, as well as Abbie's stepsiblings Billy Joe (Powell) Bruce, Robert Powell, Ryan Powell, Stephanie (Sickefoose) Murphy, and Sarah Sickefoose. Additionally, she is survived by

her cousins Shelby, “JR”, Morgan, and Codie, whom Marty considered siblings, and all of their beautiful children.

The family will receive friends from 5:00-8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas. A funeral service will be held at 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at Pierce. Internment will occur at Wallace Memorial Cemetery, Clintonville, West Virginia.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to the Matthew’s Center, “In memory of Marty O’Dell.” Donations can be arranged by calling Brandy Moss, Executive Director, (703) 369-2976 Ext. 404, or by emailing bmoss@matthewscenter.org.

Condolences may be sent to www.piercefh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **11**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home Celebration Room
9609 Center Street
Manassas, VA 20110
<https://www.piercefh.com/who-we-are/celebration-room>

Funeral Service

OCT **12**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Graveside Service

OCT **13**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wallace Memorial Cemetery
Rt. 60
Crawly, WV 24931
wallacememorial@yahoo.com
<http://wallacememorialcemetery.com/>

Tribute Wall

DS

“Marty was a wonderful person, so kind and caring and always had a smile on her face. We had many nice conversations at St. Marks. She will be missed. May God hold Abbie and her family close and give them strength.

Dana Sullivan

Dana Sullivan - October 20, 2023 at 12:29 PM

SD

“Marty was always a selfless person. She always gave to everyone and treated everyone like a lifelong friend. She will be missed.



Shannon Daugherty - October 12, 2023 at 01:23 PM



“Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" Powell.



October 10, 2023 at 09:05 PM



“A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" Powell.

October 10, 2023 at 09:05 PM

SG

“ Sue Gochenour planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" Powell.

Sue Gochenour - October 10, 2023 at 04:04 PM

SG

“ Sue Gochenour purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" Powell.



Sue Gochenour - October 10, 2023 at 04:04 PM

LM

“ Marty was an angel 🙏 when she was born. She went through more than anyone I know physically or mentally at such a young age. Cancer, Leukemia, she lived through the horrible treatments, but overcame it all to live life. Her brother supported her and kept her from living without..Always putting his sister first 💕. Please pray for Marty and her daughter Abbey. God bless you all 🙏❤️🙏

Lynnette Doreen McCartney - October 10, 2023 at 12:46 AM

PB

“ Pam Bryan lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Marlene "Marty" Powell



Pam Bryan - October 09, 2023 at 06:04 PM

BW

“ *Marty was a very dedicated person and was committed to family. She was always involved in volunteering and church activities. She was very friendly to everyone and would help anyone in need. She was also a fellow choir member of mine at St. Marks and enjoyed singing with her and all the other choir members. She will be missed by many.*

Bud Wheaton - October 09, 2023 at 03:40 PM

BL

Another angel in heaven.

Barbara J Lipps - October 12, 2023 at 05:25 PM