



## Colleen Annaka Nelson

October 11, 1964 - January 10, 2021

Colleen Annaka Nelson, age 56, was called home to be with the lord on January 10, 2021. She was born on October 11, 1964, in Annapolis, Maryland, to Richard and Barbara Nelson. Colleen was raised in Davidsonville, Maryland with her brother Lars, whom she loved dearly. Colleen graduated from South River High School in 1984 and then worked in cosmetology. She was a beautiful, caring daughter, sister, aunt TT and friend who loved life. She was always the bubbly social butterfly of the party and lived for adventure. If Colleen couldn't find adventure, it found her. Like the time she took her brother's sailboat out and underestimated the height of the mast and the Riva Road Bridge, let's just say the bridge won. She enjoyed the outdoors, boating, horses, cats and most of all, her family and friends. Her favorite place was the beach, no shoes, no shirt, no problem.

Colleen was a woman with a huge heart who judged no one. She was a giver who gave even when she had nothing to give. She never met a stranger and when you met her, you knew you had a friend for life. Colleen is loved and missed by all who knew her, but she wouldn't want us to be crying tears. Instead, she would want us to raise a glass and say cheers...."Cheers to me for I am free".

Colleen is survived by her brother Lars Nelson; sister-in-law Chris Nelson; Her two nephews, Luke Nelson and Cole Nelson.

She is preceded in death by her father Richard Nelson and mother Barbara Nelson.

A celebration of life will be held once the COVID gathering limits are lifted.

God looked around His garden  
And found an empty place.  
He then looked down upon the  
earth And saw your tired face.  
He put his arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful  
He always takes the best.  
He saw the road was getting rough  
And the hills were hard to climb  
So He closed your weary eyelids  
And whispered "Peace be thine."  
It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you didn't go alone,  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to The Anne Arundel County Animal  
Shelter <https://aacspca.org/>

# Tribute Wall

JV

“ Colleen you will be surely missed here on earth but I pray that you reach heaven !!! RIP Colleen!!! You went to soon!!!

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**Joe Vendemia** - May 22, 2021 at 03:00 PM

KB

“ Colleen Annaka Nelson

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**Karen Beall** - February 20, 2021 at 06:11 PM

JD

“ This is Sad!!!! RIP Colleen. You were one of a kind.

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**Joey D.** - February 19, 2021 at 08:32 PM

LH

“ Great memories of our Harbor Hills gang and Colleen was always there with a smile. Sad that we reconnect over loss but our bond is still strong. Colleen I'm sure you will share your smile in the heavens, Rest In Peace.

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**Lindsay Hollingsworth** - February 08, 2021 at 09:47 AM

DM

“ Colleen was my first friend in HH and we stayed close through high school. She will be remembered as a beautiful, outgoing, always smiling friend with a generous heart.

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**Dawn McConnell** - January 29, 2021 at 07:43 PM

KB

“ *Colleen was always a Sweet heart!! Haven't seen her in years but would never forget her beautiful smile!! God Bless!!*

Karen Beall - January 18, 2021 at 08:29 AM

BG

“ *Great longtime friend, gonna miss you girl, God bless*

bart graves - January 17, 2021 at 10:07 AM

SE

“ *Colleen's laugh was contagious!*

Susan Ebel-Loyd - January 14, 2021 at 08:15 PM

TY

“ *Colleen was a great person to grow up with always had a smile on her face. Colleen Pete and Billy will always be in my heart and memories.*

Tom Yates - January 14, 2021 at 07:51 PM

SM

“ *Colleen was such a beautiful person and I remember her smile as it was yesterday!!! Prayers to her family during this difficult time!!*

Sheryl Hopkins Merritt - January 14, 2021 at 01:22 PM

LS

“ *I remember Colleen as being kind and friendly. She was one of my first friends on Harbor Hills. I think she was a lot of peoples first friend because of her friendliness. I will always remember her. For the family I am so sorry for your loss.*

Laurie Scible - January 12, 2021 at 03:25 PM

ML

“ Colleen will always be part of our Harbor Hills family - best childhood memories ever. Rest In Peace my beautiful friend ❤️🙏

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**Maria Lucente** - January 12, 2021 at 02:52 PM

MS

“ Colleen was a doll!!!! Highlight of Class of 1982 at South River High School.

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**Molly Simms** - January 12, 2021 at 02:27 PM

WD

“ We are so sorry for your loss. May she fly high with the angels sending hugs and love Windy, Jason, and Kiley

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**Windy marie Dolan** - January 12, 2021 at 01:30 PM