



## Diane Wigley Leopard

November 7, 1946 - April 27, 2022

Vivian Diane Wigley Leopard, known to most as Diane, known by some as Wiggle, and known by her beloved family as Nana, slipped away from her earthly body into the arms of Jesus on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at the age of 75. Diane is currently a member of First Baptist Church, Trussville, Alabama.

Diane was born in Fort Payne, Alabama on November 7, 1946 to the late Bill and Mildred Wigley. She lived in Fort Payne, and Buffalo, New York as a child, and eventually moved to Springville, Alabama at a young age, where she met her sweetheart, and future husband, Donald Leopard. Diane and Donald started “going steady” when they were in 8th and 9th grade, respectively, and have been married for almost 58 years.

After several years of being a homemaker, Diane had several different jobs, and even opened the Sweet Treats bake shop with her good friend, Linda Lee. In 1988, Diane began working at Wood Fruitticher grocery company. During her 20 years at Wood Fruitticher, Diane worked with institutional sales, was very successful, and loved her job, and the many friendships made there. She retired in 2008.

Diane had many different hobbies, but her favorite hobby was sewing and making quilts for her family. Another favorite pastime for Diane was

volunteering as a lightkeeper at Cape Lookout Lighthouse National Park, where she and Donald served at times for 6 years.

Diane served on many church committees at Springville First Baptist Church, including two of her favorite committees, the Senior Adult Group, and coordinating the Annual Widow's Banquet. She was always petitioning in prayer on behalf of those in need.

Diane was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Mildred Wigley. Diane leaves behind many family members, which she lovingly referred to as her "blessings:" husband, Donald Leopard, sister, Judy Headrick (Frank), children, Don Leopard (Mona), Rod Leopard (Shelley), Kim Searcy (Stephen), and Kelly Leopard (Michelle). Grandchildren, Cason (Jessica), Wil (Katie), Dylan (Amanda), Lynsey, John, and Joshua Leopard, and Zach (Sarah), Isaac (Michelle), and Luke (Abby) Searcy, great grandchildren, Harper, Isaac, Preston, Micah, Millie, and Jude.

There will be a visitation for Diane on Monday, May 2, 2022 from 5-7pm at Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home. There will be an additional visitation at First Baptist Church Trussville on Tuesday at 10am, followed by a memorial service at 11am. A graveside service will follow at 3:30pm on Tuesday at Walkers Chapel Cemetery in Fort Payne.

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, officiated by Revs. Mike Shaw, Buddy Champion, and Keith Wrenn. Pallbearers will be the grandsons.

# Cemetery Details

## Walker Memorial Chapel Cemetery

Fort Payne, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 2. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (cst)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home  
5360 Deerfoot Parkway  
Trussville, AL 35173

## Funeral Service

MAY 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

First Baptist Church of Trussville  
128 North Chalkville Road  
Trussville, AL 35173

## Graveside Service

MAY 3. 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM (cst)

Walker Memorial Chapel Cemetery  
Fort Payne, AL

# Tribute Wall



“ 35 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home** - May 02, 2022 at 12:27 PM

RD

“ *Rebecca Gibb and Larry Davenport purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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**Rebecca Gibb and Larry Davenport** - May 02, 2022 at 10:42 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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May 01, 2022 at 10:19 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



May 01, 2022 at 08:35 PM



“ *Franklin & Judy Headrick, Jay & Marty purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



**Franklin & Judy Headrick, Jay & Marty** - May 01, 2022 at 02:47 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



May 01, 2022 at 02:32 PM



“ *Janice, Sidney, Kim & Natalie Headrick purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



**Janice, Sidney, Kim & Natalie Headrick** - May 01, 2022 at 02:29 PM

JE

“ *Janelle and Keith English purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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**Janelle and Keith English** - May 01, 2022 at 08:56 AM

GE

“ *I have known Diane and Donald Leopard from the many times of volunteering at Cape Lookout.*

*She was a true Christian lady that shared her faith and set the standard for others to follow.*

*The friendship and memories of the times with both of them will always be treasured.*

*May God wrap His arms around Donald and all the family and give them comfort, strength, and allow them to keep the memories in their hearts forever.*

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**Glenn Eagle** - April 30, 2022 at 09:43 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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April 30, 2022 at 09:32 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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April 30, 2022 at 07:34 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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April 30, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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April 30, 2022 at 03:19 PM

BR

“ It would take a book to share all the memories I have of Diane and her family. We've taken many trips to the beach, boat rides on the Tennessee River, attending Gaither Gospel concerts, and church trips together. I loved her so much, and will miss her smiling face at worship service at church. There were times that I know she didn't feel like smiling or even being at church, but she was always faithful to be there. She was such a strong person, and was loved by everyone! Diane is in eternity now with Jesus, her mom and dad, other family members and friends that have gone on before her. Oh what a glorious thought.

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**Betty Gortney Rogers** - April 30, 2022 at 12:15 PM

RS

“ Kim, you and your family are in my prayers. I pray God's comfort for you all.

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**Robin Stephens** - April 30, 2022 at 11:41 AM

DM

“ I had the pleasure of meeting this lovely lady at Cason and Jessica's wedding. We share the Same first name and our grandchildren married each other and we share our beautiful great granddaughter Millie.  
I want to extend my deepest sympathies to the Leopard family. I have been remembering all of you in my prayers and will continue to do that. Most sincerely, Diane Martin

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**Diane Martin** - April 30, 2022 at 11:08 AM

LS

“ *Linda Sparks lit a candle in memory of Diane Wigley Leopard*



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**Linda Sparks** - April 30, 2022 at 10:22 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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April 30, 2022 at 10:19 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Diane Wigley Leopard.*



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April 29, 2022 at 10:14 PM