



## Tamra Sue Baker

October 18, 1958 - February 9, 2017

Tamra Sue Baker, 58, of Anderson and formerly of Nashville, TN passed away after an extended illness February 9, 2017. She was born on October 18, 1958 in Anderson, Indiana.

Tamra attended Pendleton Heights High School and graduated from Lakeland Senior High School in 1976.

Tamra worked as a systems analyst for Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN before retiring. She was also a volunteer for Nashville Public Library System and other organizations throughout her lifetime.

Tamra's greatest joy in life was spending time with all of her nieces and nephews and was also dearly loved by them.

Tamra is survived by her two Sisters, Kimberli Rhodus of Anderson, and Lisa (Gary) Crawley of Yankeetown, FL; two brothers, Jeffrey (Heather) James of Valparaiso, and Jason (Kim) Nipper of Anderson; mother-in-law, Leeota Baker of Anderson; three Sisters-in-Law, Martha (Doug) Mullins of Celina, TN, Brenda (Mike) Reimer of Carmel, and Cheryl (Chris) Taulman of Pendleton; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews. She is also survived by several close friends from Markleville, Pendleton, Nashville, TN, and Lakeland, FL

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Douglas E. Baker, who passed away on November 2, 2016; mother, Carolyn Sue Manis; father, Fredric Joseph James.

Tamra's siblings would like to express their gratitude to the entire Baker family who have shown compassion, loyalty, and love to Tamra and her entire family for many years.

Visitation will be held Monday, February 13, 2017, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm at Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, 200 West 53rd St. Anderson, IN.

Services will be Monday, February 13, 2017, 6:00 pm at the funeral home with Lance Stevens officiating.

Cremation will take place and burial at a later date in Anderson Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association or ALS Association.

[www.loosecares.com](http://www.loosecares.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Cremation will take place

Anderson, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 13. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory  
200 W 53rd St  
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## Service

FEB 13. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Loose Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Tamra Sue Baker*



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**Loose Funeral Home** - February 12, 2017 at 08:05 AM

JN

*this is beautiful, thank you very much.*

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**Jason Nipper** - February 12, 2017 at 05:44 PM

JN

*will miss her*

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**jerry nipper** - February 13, 2017 at 07:56 AM

TY

“ Tamra was dear friend for over 20 years. I knew her as Tamra because we met at Vanderbilt and she did not want to be compared to Tammy Faye, who could only dream of being as beautiful as Tamra. We hit it off right away due to our love of food and music and laughter and no one could make me laugh like she could, or make a better chicken and rice or would cry with me at the remake listening to Judy Garland sing somewhere over the rainbow and know intimately why the other was crying. I watched as she lost everything she loved, starting with her infectious smile as her eyesight waned and she could no longer see or read, then she could not enjoy eating and did not have the strength to host the kids in her family whose visits she longed for. Then there were the week long stays in the hospital and then the horror of dialysis which robbed her of her flawless complexion and incredible curls and her will to keep pushing herself. The only thing she had left was Doug. You can only let someone get under your skin as much as they did, if you love each other like they did. I remember the day she called to ask me what I knew about ALS and the many calls afterward as she watched Doug being taken from her. She looked like only a shell of herself at his funeral and I was not surprised to get the call that she wanted me to come so soon after his death so she could say goodbye. I loved Tamra and so much in my life reminds me of her that I know she will always be close in my memories. Rest In Peace kiddo. I miss you so much!

Thank you to the Baker family for caring for her as they did during Dougs illness and so long after and them, Kim and Kristen for keeping me posted when she moved back to Indiana.

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**Tonya Yarbrough** - February 12, 2017 at 10:44 AM

RD

I am Tami's sister-in-law's (Brenda's) Aunt. Your friendship must have meant so much to Tami. I am sorry for your loss, but thankful Tami was blessed with a wonderful friend. Bobbie Dunn, Redmond Wa.

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**Roberta Dunn** - February 13, 2017 at 03:07 PM

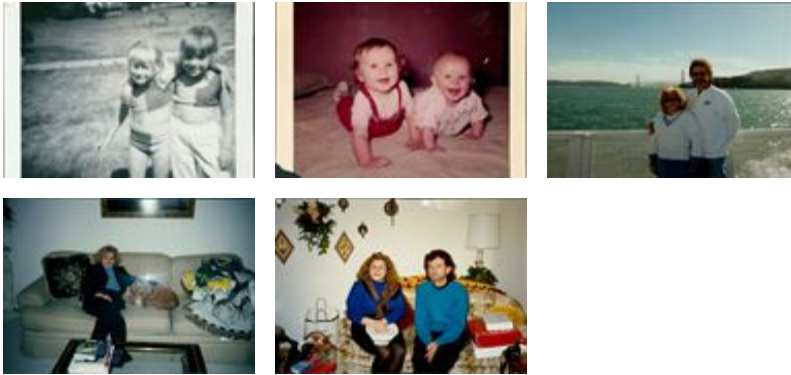
RD

*I just realized I called her Tami. Yes, Tamra is even a prettier name for her ❤️.*

Roberta Dunn - February 13, 2017 at 03:11 PM



“ 57 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Loose Funeral Home - February 12, 2017 at 07:51 AM

GV

“ *Grace Brennan (friend from Vanderbilt) purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Tamra Sue Baker.*



Grace Brennan (friend from Vanderbilt) - February 11, 2017 at 10:43 PM

GB

“ Tamra,  
*I will always remember your bubbly personality and generous nature. I still can't believe both you and Doug are gone. You both left way too soon but I know you aren't in pain, can see clearly, don't have to keep checking your blood sugar or deal with an insulin pump. No more doctors, hospitals, dialysis or needles. Rest in peace sweet girl,*

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**Grace Brennan** - February 11, 2017 at 09:34 PM

HJ

“ *An amazing beautiful lady that is gone way to soon, but will be forever missed and never forgotten. My comfort comes from knowing that she is heaven with her treasured Mother and her loving husband. My Erin thought that her name was Aunt Tammi Chipmunk forever! All children adored her as did most that knew her.*

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**Heather James** - February 11, 2017 at 03:51 PM

 Jeff  
James

“ *you taught me hand springs in the front yard and I passed them on to Holly*

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**Jeff James** - February 11, 2017 at 02:26 PM

JN

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**J. Nilpper** - February 11, 2017 at 12:19 PM

JN

“ *Rest in peace Jeanie. i'll never forget the magic you taught me. love you sister.*

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**J. Nipper** - February 11, 2017 at 12:13 PM