



Fay Dawson

July 28, 1930 - September 4, 2022

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Bailey Memorial Gardens
7801 Bailey Road
North Lauderdale, FL 33068

Tribute Wall



“ *Fay Dawson*

October 06, 2023 at 12:11 AM



“ *Condolences to my dear friend Shaun and the Dawson family. May God continue to give you all the strength you need in this your time of bereavement. My prayers are with you 🙏🙏🙏🙏.*

Brenda - September 17, 2022 at 08:38 PM

SM

“ I have always adored Aunt Fay and have many memories of good times shared with her in my adult life - Some of my fondest memories are those from my early to mid twenties when I started getting to know Aunt Fay, spending joyful Christmases at the house in Hyattsville, Maryland, along with several other family members, including Yvonne, Uncle Adrian, Aunt Tutsie, and Aunt Ellen. I truly cannot remember how many Christmases I actually spent there - perhaps it was only a couple. What left such a lasting memory, though, was the joy, the laughter, and fun I experienced while in her presence. In her presence I felt comfortable and free - and somehow more at home with myself.

I have distinct memories of Aunt Fay's many (and I mean many!) old and varied pots and pans in the kitchen (some of them had lids, most of them did not!) - many of them I'm not sure she ever used, but she seemed to simply enjoy having them there - and as I recall, she laughed at herself often for having so many, refusing to let them go. Aunt Fay was a wonderful cook - but of course it was her famed deviled eggs I looked forward to most. I think she said she put everything in them but the kitchen sink.

I have a certain affection for and attachment to Aunt Fay for the joy she brought joy to my life then - She was the first older relative I developed a genuine relationship with - it was her down-to-earth nature and her laughter that drew me in. And when she laughed it was as if her entire body laughed too. To me, she was genuine and real - she told it like it was. Oh Aunt Fay was just a breath of fresh air for me, more than she knew, and more than I even fully understood at the time. I am thankful to have spent that early time with her in Maryland - and grateful to have spent time with her also in her later years in Lilburn (Who can forget how she danced at her 2019 birthday party?)

I will certainly miss her.

Rest well, Aunt Fay. Rest well.

Susan (Evans) McGuire
Grand-niece

Susan McGuire - September 17, 2022 at 06:16 PM

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David Evans - September 17, 2022 at 05:49 PM

OJ

“ Orlando James from queens New York, hello brothers and sisters, a few days ago my family's and I sent Mrs Fay Dawson family's and beloved ones condolences and best wishes, on her passing today my friend's Sept 17 2022 Mrs Dawson will send of to her resting place at her wish or beloved family to rest in peace, thank you all to who have send your's Condolences to the Dawson family's In this time of needs, many thanks Grace Funeral Chapels to provide your professional service's to Dawson, take care my friend (Peace)

Orlando James - September 17, 2022 at 07:35 AM

YS

“ *The memories of the times we spent together, the good times and yes the not so good ones will be cherished forever BChesley and I forever*

Her gentle and calm demeanor won our hearts.

However, we also admired her strong and determined will to do what she thought was right

We loved you Sis D You'll be greatly missed

Yvonne Saunders - September 16, 2022 at 11:23 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Fay Dawson.*



September 16, 2022 at 11:08 PM

BS

“ I don't remember seeing much of my Aunt Fay when I was young. But when I did, I was always struck by her beauty and would stare at her, while pretending not to. Over the years, circumstances and geographical distance have prevented me getting to know her better. But I am so glad we had the opportunity to spend a little time together in 1991. It was a tough time. My sisters and I had lost our mother a couple of months earlier and I was still in grief and shock. I was visiting the US with my children, Sharon aged 15 years, and Chris who was about seven months old. She welcomed us into the home she had shared with my mum. She fussed over us, without appearing to, made us feel at home, gave us the time and space to grieve and be quiet and fed us delicious home-cooked meals. It was like being snuggled in a blanket and was just what I needed at the time. So thank you Aunt Fay for the many little acts of love with which you surrounded us in that visit. It made me realize that geographical distance is no barrier to family unity. Rest in peace. Much love from Penny, Sharon, and Chris.

Beverly Slaney - September 15, 2022 at 08:23 PM

MG

“ Marc, Kevin, Jenna, Mir, Shirley, Deidra, DJ & Gregory purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Fay Dawson.



Marc, Kevin, Jenna, Mir, Shirley, Deidra, DJ & Gregory -
September 15, 2022 at 09:31 AM

RD

“ *Etienne, Reina (aka Lovy) and Isaline send our heartfelt condolences to our cousins on the passing of their mother. Aunt Fay will always be remembered as my father's dear cousin, Miss Little and we join the whole family in unfortunate loss. Aunt Fay, may you Rest In Eternal Peace and may you be surrounded by the love and songs of the angels in heaven* 🙏❤️🕊️

Reina DESCAMPS - September 15, 2022 at 06:39 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Fay Dawson.*



September 15, 2022 at 12:41 AM

AD

“ Dear Great Aunt Fay,

I am so glad that my planned 'pop in, Introduce myself, stay for lunch and then head off to Miami for a week for a great adventure' in 2002 turned into a 4/5 day stay with you. How we talked and laughed. You spent time finding out who I was (Lizette's youngest-haha!!) and me, meeting the person I had heard so many wonderful things about over the years.

After a couple of days of us enjoying each other's company, you kept telling me off that I had only originally planned to stay for lunch!!! Finally you let me head off to Miami for my great adventure. After 2 days I was back at yours!

It was such a delight and a wonderful surprise to meet and hang out with you that I thought 'Miami can wait. I'm heading back to Miramar'.

I am so sorry you have left us but I will always be delighted that I passed by for lunch.

You rest now.

Our deepest condolences to Yvonne and the rest of the Dawson family.

Lots of love,

Andrew (The Voice), Lorna, Zack and Rosa XxxX.

Andrew Dennis - September 14, 2022 at 06:58 PM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Fay Dawson.



September 14, 2022 at 06:54 PM

ME

“ Dear Aunt Fay, I'm so grateful God placed you in my life, and the lives of my husband Calvin and children David and Susan. You were only a few years older than me, so you were more of an older sister than an aunt to me. Thank you for the love, laughs, and travel we shared, and your gracious hospitality during so many visits to your home. Thank you for comforting me when I needed it. It has also been my privilege and blessing to pray with you on many occasions. Now I rejoice that God the Supreme Healer has released you, and although I am heart-broken and will miss you terribly, I hold onto God's promises of His love for His children. Sleep now, until we meet again. I love you. Sally

Maureen Evans - September 13, 2022 at 04:29 PM

DC

“ My condolence to the Dawson family. Wishing you all strength in these difficult days and hoping that with time, peace will heal and comfort your heart. From the James family.



Delrena Copeland - September 13, 2022 at 02:06 PM

OJ

“ Orlando James Queens New York, I have received a texts messages on SEPT 5 2022 from my dear friend Shaun Dawson, that is Mom or no longer with us in internal life on SEPT 4 2022 Mrs Fay Dawson, In des challenging times for the Dawson family and loved one's The James family's or sending ther best wishes and Condolences to Mrs Fay Dawson family's extended beloved love one's

Orlando James - September 12, 2022 at 11:23 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Fay Dawson.



September 11, 2022 at 09:42 PM



“ Aunt Fay was blessed with a life filled with family, friends & love. We feel privileged to call her family and cherish the memories we have of her. May she now sleep in eternal peace.

Sincerest condolences from Camille, Kevin, Vanessa & Jessica.

Camille Gooden - September 11, 2022 at 05:03 PM



How do I begin? Fay Dawson was our Miss Little in our childhood and she was pretty, vivacious and fun to be with. She played a very very special role in my life for which I remain thankful and honour the memory of Aunt Fay. Andrew, Lorna, Zack and Rosa join me in thanking the Good Lord for your life and with whom you now are, at peace, and leaving behind so many wonderful memories. You are already sorely missed.

Bena/Lizette Dennis

Lizette Dennis - September 12, 2022 at 06:27 AM



*The first time I met Aunt Faye I was stunned by her beauty. She was truly gorgeous!
I'm also impressed by her collection of African art. When I visited her in Atlanta, I remember spending a great deal of time carefully looking at the stunning array of art works. Classy lady I thought!
You were deeply loved Aunt Faye and will be sorely missed. With love,
Peter, Lisa, Matt, Chrissy & Taela.*

Lisa Walker - September 15, 2022 at 09:13 PM

SD

“ Anyone would ever interacted with Fay Dawson knew that she was a thoughtful, intelligent, caring and loving human being.

The kind of person you could go to for advice. Someone with whom you could share your hopes and fears. Someone you could laugh with, cry with but most importantly feel comfortable with.

She was the person I called Mother. I love you mummy! My sadness and grief at her passing is tempered by the belief that this God-fearing woman is now in a much better place....with her Maker....and at peace.

Shaun Dawson - September 10, 2022 at 09:58 PM

FL

“ I enjoyed visiting with Mrs Dawson with my cousins Calvin & Pauline Lindo, she was a warm and gracious hostess. I felt an instant connection with her and our conversations led to the discovery that our families were connected by more than one generation.

Both families had attended the same church, and her father, had been my mother's family doctor!

*God rest her soul and comfort her family and all who knew her.
Sleep In Peace Mrs D.*

Faye Levers-Silvera - September 10, 2022 at 07:40 AM

GW

“ Although my dear aunt has passed, I look forward to the day when Jesus returns to bring her to everlasting life.

Gloria Westney-Hughes - September 08, 2022 at 09:11 PM



My beloved Aunt has reached the end of her journey and is safe and secure in The Master's Arms. Until we meet again Rest in Sweet Peace Dear Aunt Fay.

Greta Betty - September 09, 2022 at 06:49 PM



My beloved Aunt Fay

Greta Betty - September 09, 2022 at 07:18 PM



Dear Mom Fay,

I consider you one of my dear earthly mothers. You will always be my buddy. From the time we spent in Haifa Israel when you visited Yvonne and we traveled all over the country, making sure that you visited many of the historic Christian sites, to our visits in Lantana and finally last year, May 2021 in Lilburn Georgia.

May your everlasting journey to re-unite with your Lord be happy and glorious. My prayers will always be with you and the sound of your sweet gentle loving voice with always adorn my ears, until we meet again in that Ocean of Lights, Be Happy!!!

*Willis Burris
Florida & T&T*

Willis Burris - September 16, 2022 at 09:43 PM

DE

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David Evans - September 17, 2022 at 04:31 AM

MS

Truly miss you, see you when Jesus returns and he gives life again.

Madeline Shelangi - September 17, 2022 at 11:19 AM