



*Tracey Joan Vaaler*

**March 3, 1959 - Aug. 12, 2025**

Tracey J. Vaaler, 66, of Valdese, NC passed away, Tuesday, August 12, 2025. Born on March 3, 1959, she was the daughter of Lois Vance and the late Marvin Vance.

Tracey is survived by her husband, Laurence Vaaler; stepchildren, Jennifer Vaaler, Lauren Pless (Matthew); granddaughter, Magnolia Pless; brothers, Keith Vance, Denver Vance (Mary); sister, Patricia Drinkard.

The family will receive friends from 2pm until 3pm, Sunday, August 17, 2025 at Sossoman Funeral Home. A funeral will be held in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home at 3pm.

Memorial contributions may be made to Amorem Hospice.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

Larry, I am so sorry to learn of Tracey's passing. Through a mutual friend, I wound up talking to Denver on the phone just last week on December 12th. I would have come to her memorial, but that's okay. She was so loved by you and was very happy when you both found each other. She was so generous, caring, and talented!!! One time she and I were shopping on the way home from High Point and she bought the clothes I picked out. Also, she gave me flower bulbs from her Mom's place, that I still have. I'll never forget her! Please take care of yourself.

Annette Howes

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So very sorry for your loss to the family. Had some really good times with Tracey I know her and Quincy ate have a big party in heaven. Prayers for all the family.

—Liz Elmore

I remember seeing Tracy while I was at Moma Taylors she was so beautiful and so sweet. My heart cries for your loss for I miss the times we were together. I may not be able to be there with the family today but my heart and spirit is crying for your loss. Praying to God that He will answer all of your needs and give you the strength to get through this trying time. Tracy will always live on in our hearts for she impacted our lives, for I always wanted to like her. I praise God for putting Tracy in my life and for the memories, for we will all be together again when God calls us home. Until then I praise God for all the blessed memories He has given us. God bless each and every one of you I love you

–Debbie Poovey

Oh I am so sorry for your loss. This is so sad for my dear friend, Larry. My condolences and prayers to you during this difficult time. May you find peace and comfort in your memories with your beloved wife, Tracey. All my love Dyann

–Dyann EastonBrown



–Andrea Langdon



Prayers and love sent to the whole family Nita Decker

–Juanita Decker

–Mary Ann and Fred Saradin

I am saddened to hear of Tracey's passing... She was always family to me and Quincy's sidekick. Many many memories were made growing up. Her smile was contagious and her sweet personality shined. Loving thoughts to her family!

–Rhonda Stewart Hensley

I am so saddened to hear of Tracey's passing. She was such a kind hearted and beautiful soul whose friendship I treasured. We were neighbors many years ago and shared many good times and laughs together. She was so very talented, creative, smart and generous. Over the years we lost touch but I was so happy to

see her a few times in the past few years while dining in Valdese and chat - a memory I will treasure. My sincere condolences to her loving family. May God bless you with peace and comfort. Melinda Cline

—Melinda Cline

This happen fast an unexpected Tracey was a good person she cared about people she had a great love for. Dogs. She love her family a they loved her. I loved her she was a daddy girl I don't understand what happened to you I guess you just stop. Caring about life you made this so hard to believe I. Loved you so much. Will never forget you. Loved you always Linda

—Linda vance

I am so saddened to hear of Tracey's passing. Many years ago we were neighbors and became friends. Tracey was a treasured friend, so very creative, smart, and a hard worker. Her generosity and kindness was sincere and I was so happy to see her a few times in the past few years and chat. My condolences to her husband and family. She was a unique and beautiful lady and I know she will be missed by so many. May God bless you all with peace and comfort. Melinda Cline

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Tracey, Your kind heart, smile that lit up any room, laughs and sweet hugs will be missed so much. I love you and miss you. I enjoyed talking about life together on the porch, watching you work in your garden and your ambitious personality that would motivate all of us. Thank you for always supporting my family and I. You pulled out tough love on me in my teenage years when needed and am so very grateful you and dad cared enough too. You've had such a huge impact on my life. I'll carry your legacy until we see each other again. Your daughter hv love

see each other again, her daughter by love.

—Lauren Vaaler Pless