



Salena Ballentine Phillips

June 19, 1970 - March 4, 2022

It is with great sadness that the family of Mary “Salena” Ballentine Phillips announce her passing on Friday, March 4, 2022, at age 51.

Salena will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Jim Phillips. Her children, Dustin Nix (Rachael) and Kassidy Nix (Travis). Her siblings, Donna Ballentine Yarbrough (Wayne), Tina Ballentine Gaskin (Danny), and Van Ballentine (Melissa). She was a loving “Mimi” to her grandchildren, Kendall and Ari. She had a very special son, Ed Gutierrez. Salena was an adoring daughter to her surviving mother, Vergie Ballentine (Calvin). She has a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives who will miss her deeply as well.

She is preceded in death by her father, Johnny Ballentine.

Salena had a true love for helping others. She lived to serve other people. Her coworkers at Boaz housing authority were loved deeply by her. She wanted to mention her tenants and make sure they know she thought of them as her family. She lived by the quote, “We rise by lifting others”. To know her, was to be loved by her. We would also like to mention all of her friends at the Boaz Police Department.

Always an independent, strong, unique, resourceful, and beloved wife, mother, daughter, mimi, sister, and friend. Salena’s beautiful smile and

laughter lit up our souls. She had a great love for spending time with her children, grandchildren, and family. As well as hunting, fishing, gardening, outdoors, and the beach.

Salena asked for a private service with immediate family only. But, please join the family in celebrating her life and laying her to rest at graveside on March 9th, 2022 at 2:00pm, this will be held at Hillcrest Cemetery in Boaz, Alabama. Flowers will be accepted and can be sent to Etowah Memorial in Sardis, Alabama. If you would like to send donations instead of flowers, they can be sent to 'Kendall Nix Education Fund' through Wells Fargo. This is an account to further her grand baby's college education, which Salena always talked about and was such a big supporter of.

Pallbearers will be Darrell Fox, Justin Turner, Mark Cates, Ed Gutierrez, Cody Gaskin and Danny Gaskin.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy

Etowah Memorial Chapel Directing

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

Snellgorve Ave.
Boaz, AL 35957

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hillcrest Cemetery
Snellgorve Ave.
Boaz, AL 35957

Tribute Wall



“ *Salena Ballentine Phillips*

January 29, 2023 at 11:49 PM



“ *I am Ari her grandchild and we miss her too much she will forever be in our hearts. Rest Easy Mimi.*

Ari - September 02, 2022 at 09:09 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Salena Ballentine Phillips.*



March 09, 2022 at 09:45 AM



“ *Roger Reed and the Men's Encounter purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Salena Ballentine Phillips.*



Roger Reed and the Men's Encounter - March 08, 2022 at 08:44 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Salena Ballentine Phillips.*



March 07, 2022 at 08:47 PM



“ *TAMMY ALLEN lit a candle in memory of Salena Ballentine Phillips*



TAMMY ALLEN - March 07, 2022 at 05:37 PM



“ *Love you Salena. I will cherish our friendship forever.*



Tracie - March 07, 2022 at 02:23 PM

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“ I don't ever remember a time being around Salena where she wasn't smiling. She often talked about her sweet family and especially her granddaughter! She was always so sweet and gave the sweetest compliments to my girls.
I pray for peace and comfort for all who loved her in the next days and months ahead.
Her presence will be greatly missed.
Love you, Salena.
Kim

Kim Humber - March 07, 2022 at 12:55 PM

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“ YOU ARE GOING TO BE MISSED SO MUCH! I LOVED YOU
MARY SALENA BALLENTINE PHILLIPS, TIL WE MEET AGAIN.

TAMMY ALLEN - March 07, 2022 at 12:23 PM