



## Joy Burns Merriman

July 13, 1953 - October 16, 2013

Mrs. Joy Burns Merriman, age 60, of Maryville, TN, formerly of Hampton, GA passed away, October 16, 2013. She was preceded in death by her parents, William Fred Burns and Nora Thompson Burns. She is survived by her husband, Tad; children, Benjamin Tad (Rebecca) Merriman of Concord, NC, Lindsay (Jeff) Lewis of Maryville, TN, Lisa Prevatte Hadde of Belleville, MI.; grandson, Leyton Knox Lewis; cousins, nieces, nephews; caregivers, Linda Morton, Sherri Staley, and Pat Delozier; and a group of very loving friends. The family will receive friends on Thursday, October 17, 2013 from 5-7 PM at Ford-Stewart Funeral Home, Jonesboro, GA. Joy will then be taken back to Maryville, TN. Funeral services in Tennessee will be held, Friday, October 18, 2013 at 7 PM at McCammon-Ammons-Click Funeral Home, 220 W. Broadway Ave., Maryville, TN 37801, phone: 865-982-6812. The family will receive friends there from 5-7 PM the day of the service. Interment will be at Pecks Memorial United Methodist Church Cemetery in Maryville, TN on Saturday, October 19, 2013. Dr. Tim Jones will officiate. In lieu of flowers make contributions to: Pecks Memorial United Methodist Church, 2438 Wilkinson Pike, Maryville, TN 37803 or to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 56566, Atlanta, GA 30343.

# Tribute Wall

BS

“ I just received the news of your wife Joy's passing. I am so deeply sorry for your loss. You introduced me to her many many years ago and I thought what a very lucky man you were. I will keep you and your family in my prayers and thoughts. I remember well the times we worked together on the ramp (F-Rotunda)and Air Cargo. Stay well.

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**Bob Stuart** - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Tad, so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in our prayers. Tony B

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**Tony Bowman** - October 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Sorry for your loss of Joy...many fond memories of our early years at Delta.

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**James Cox** - October 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ Tad, Sorry to hear of your lost. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.Wane seaward old cargo buddy.

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**wayne seaward** - October 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ *Tad,  
We are so sorry to hear about Joy's passing away. She was such a wonderful person and we always enjoyed seeing her when she was able to come to church. Always wearing her cute hats. May GOD bless you and your family.*

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**Allen and Vivian England** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *She was a sweet lady. Praying for comfort for her family at this time.*

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**Donna Maust (Spohn)** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *So sorry for your loss Tad. Joy was a special person. My prayers are for you and your family.*

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**Sam McClanahan** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ *Deepest sympathies on your lost  
TK*

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**TK Pike** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Tad and family,  
  
Our deepest sympathies are with you during this time of grieving. We will be praying for you to find peace and comfort in knowing that Joy was a precious soul on this earth, and she will be missed by many. May the good Lord bless and keep you all.*

*Patti & David*

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**David & Patti (Dyer) Clester** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I knew Joy when we both were just starting out as young adults. She, her Mother and Father were my extended family. I grieve with you Tad and your children for certainly the world is less without Joy in it. She lives in my heart and will always be an inspiration to me. You guys are in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. Know that God is with you and you are not alone.

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**David Selph** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Tad, I'm so sorry to read this e-mail. I will keep you & your family in my prayers. Little Debbie I worked with you in Air Cargo at Delta.

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**Debbie Edwards Emerson** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I am so sorry for your loss Tad. Please know that you and your family are in our prayers.

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**John Murphy** - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I know that Joy believed the Lord was with her every step of the way on her journey and I pray that you feel His presence in the same way during this difficult time.

*Joy was, without a doubt, one of the most wonderful, kind, funny and generous people I've ever been privileged to know and I'll cherish the memories of our friendship always. I just know that she's already making things more fun in heaven right at this very moment.*

*I feel privileged and blessed to have had her in my life and to call her my friend. And what greater legacy can a person leave than to have so many people who feel that way? She was indeed a very special Joy.*

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**Karen Reyes Baird** - October 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM