



Vaneal McDaniel Fanning

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Mrs. Vaneal McDaniel Fanning 1928-2024

Vaneal McDaniel Fanning, a beacon of joy and boundless energy, passed away surrounded by the love of her family. Her life was marked by her loving nature, her wit, and her thoughtful approach to everyone she encountered. Vaneal, a graduate of Mellow Valley High School, left an indelible mark on her community through her work and her passion for connecting with people.

After dedicating 38 years of service to Western Union, Vaneal retired, but she never slowed down. Her entrepreneurial spirit led her to become the proud owner of Sight Seeing Travel Club and Perfect Tan and Hair, where her magnetic personality shone brightly. She was not only a savvy businesswoman but also a cherished member of her community, whose presence uplifted everyone around her.

Vaneal's interests were as vibrant and diverse as her character. She had an insatiable love for sightseeing, which perfectly complemented her role at the travel club. Logan Martin Lake held a special place in her heart, as it was a sanctuary where she found peace and joy. Her daughter, Karen F. Paulovich (Joe), was the light of her life, and the time they spent together in Mountain Brook, AL, was filled with laughter and cherished memories.

Family was the cornerstone of Vaneal's world. Her daily conversations with her brother, Hugh McDaniel (Flo), and her sister, Nita Spraggins, were a testament to the deep bonds they shared. Her brother, Buddy McDaniel, both of Birmingham, AL, also held a special place in her heart. These relationships were the threads that wove the fabric of her life, creating a tapestry of love and support that extended to everyone she met. Vaneal's ability to connect with people was unparalleled; she never met a stranger and was known as an excellent people person.

Her laughter was infectious, and her sense of humor was one of the many gifts she shared freely. Vaneal was the embodiment of thoughtfulness, always considering the



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needs and feelings of others before her own. Her caring nature was evident in every aspect of her life, from her interactions with her family and friends to her dedication to her customers and clients.

Vaneal was preceded in death by her father, Hollis McDaniel, her mother, Willie Maude McDaniel, and her brother, Donnie Newman McDaniel. Her son, Larry Fanning, also passed before her, leaving a space that she held in her heart with loving memories. As we celebrate Vaneal's life, we are reminded of the impact one person can have on so many, her legacy is one of love, laughter, and the profound influence of a life well-lived. Vaneal McDaniel Fanning will be dearly missed, but the memories she created will continue to bring smiles to the faces of those who were fortunate enough to know her.

Memories and condolences may be shared at www.radneyfuneralhome.com

Radney Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Vaneal McDaniel Fanning.



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August 29 at 12:43 PM



Karen Paulovich posted:

I so LOVED MY MOM.

February 14 at 7:00 PM



Nita Mcdaniel Spraggins lit a candle in honor of Vaneal.

It is with a heavy heart that we lost our Sister, Vaneal. How do you put a Lifetime of Words in small space? However it is with Joy that I was with her, talked everyday, my entire life. She was our Historian, any ailment ,she had a remedy. Would always tell you to use Vicks Vapor Rub for just about anything. If your pipes were clogged, she had a remedy. Of course, I felt better just talking to her and we always ended our conversation with a laugh and I love you. What great memories!!!! She loved all of us unconditionally and we loved / appreciated her right back.Couple years back we had COVID (recovered) but left side effects and she didn't see quite as well as before, no one never knew, cause we be looking/talking about something and she would always say " you look so good" or any answer indicating she saw it all. What a remarkable Lady she was to each and everyone. To the very end, we prayed for recovery and be able to go home However, God needed her to shine with our other loved one.... Vaneal, you are so loved and missed every minute of the day. Love You to the Moon and back. Love from the one you helped raise from birth. See Ya Later Sweet Lady...



February 6 at 7:00 PM



Deirdre Byrd posted:

I just heard about Ma passing. She was a very generous and precious lady. She had much wisdom and she did not mind sharing it with other.From: The Byrd Family

February 13 at 7:00 PM



Karen Paulovich posted:

2017 New Site Class Reunion at Horseshoe Bend High School. Vaneal, Nita and Hugh having FUN!

February 12 at 7:00 PM



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CH

Chasity posted:

You will be truly missed when I met you and Karen yall are definitely a one of kind yall just bring light and joy to the room your in I will miss you until we meet again in heave RIP beautiful lady ❤️

February 11 at 7:00 PM

ET

Ellen Tipton posted:

Her life was well lived indeed. I'll never forget her. And no matter how much time had passed, she always remembered your name and where she knew you from. ❤️ Until we meet again, Ellen Tipton.

February 8 at 7:00 PM

MW

Melinda Wensell posted:

I don't have enough words to say how much she is loved and will be missed. Growing up and until she passed into Heaven, she was like a second mother to me. I was close friends with her daughter Karen and spent many lovely weekends as a guest at their home on Logan Martin Lake. Vaneal was our biggest cheerleader as we tried to perfect our skiing abilities. I also had the privilege of being invited to tag along on several of the trips she organized such as New Orleans and Nashville. With Vaneal on the bus and B.W. driving it, you were guaranteed a fun and memorable time. I could go on and on, but she knows how much I love and adore her and what a blessing it was to have her in my life. Have a wonderful heavenly life sweet lady and I anticipate seeing you there one day!

February 6 at 7:00 PM



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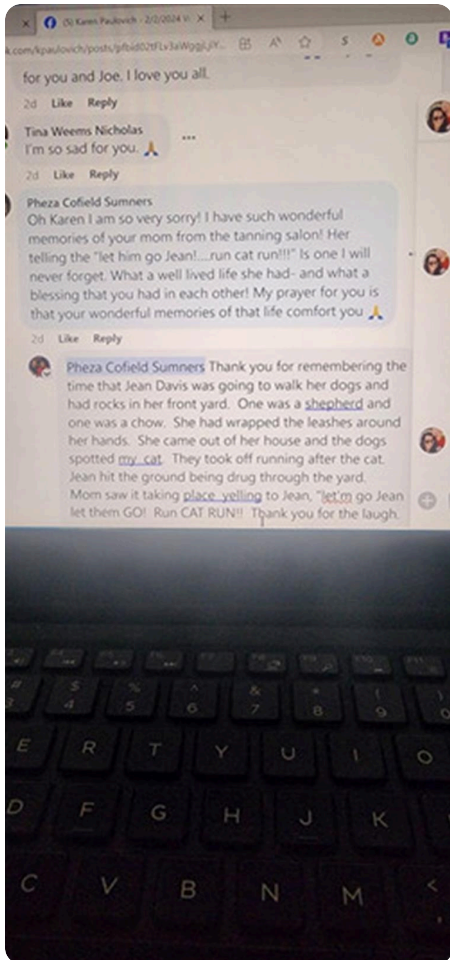
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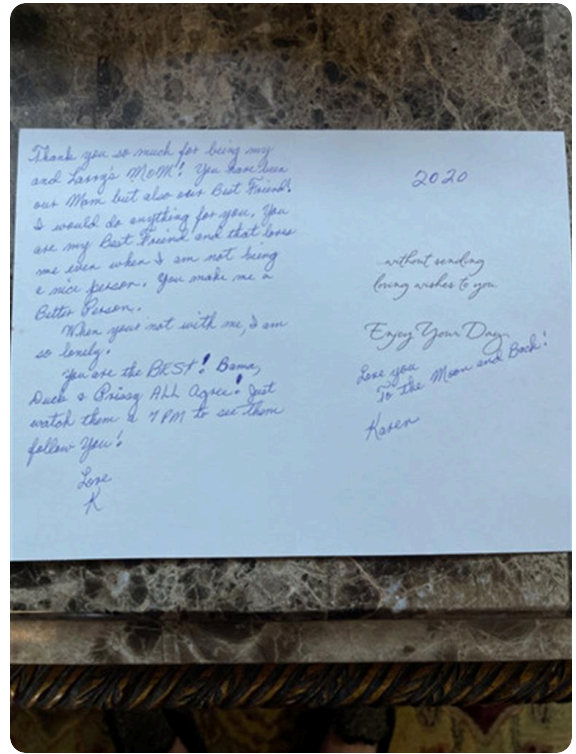


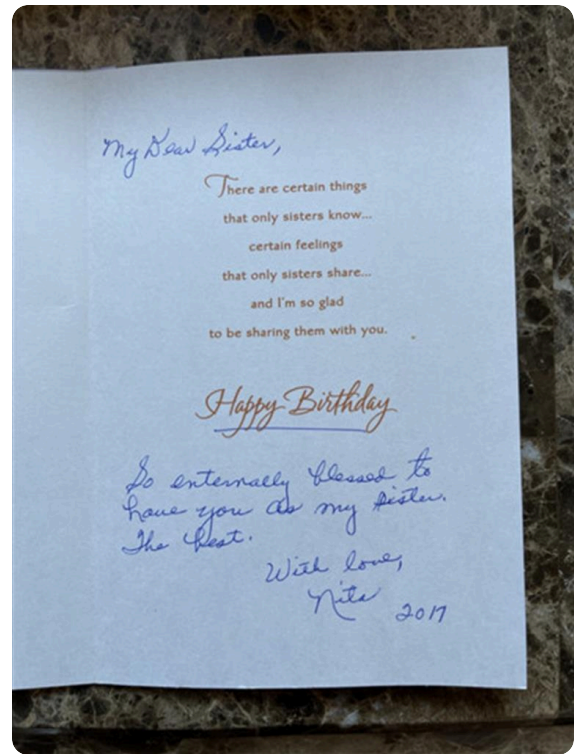
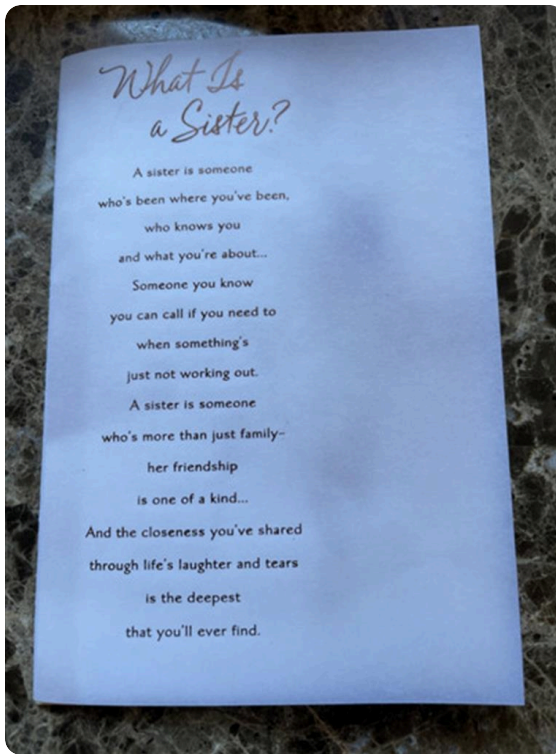


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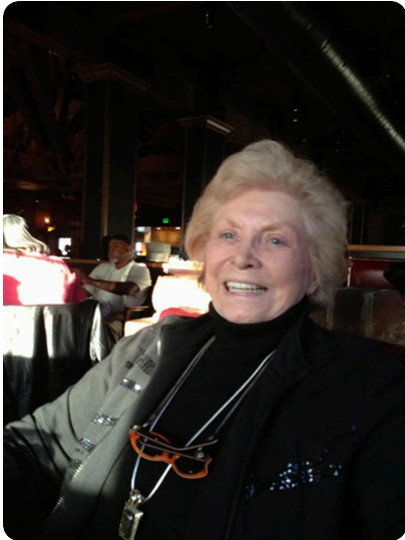




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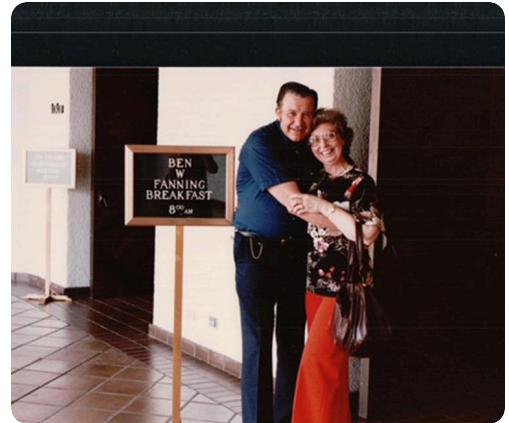




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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Vaneal by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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