



## Patricia R. Parris

October 7, 1950 - March 22, 2021

Patricia R. (Raven) Parris age 70, Hamilton died Monday, March 22, 2021 at Hospice of Hamilton following a 4-year battle with pancreatic cancer. She was born in Seattle, Washington on October 7, 1950 the Daughter of Norman and Marie (Peters) Fraysier. She graduated from Dobyns-Bennett High School in Kingsport, Tennessee, received a Bachelor's degree in Linguistics from the University of Hawaii and later a Masters degree in English from East Tennessee State University. She taught junior high and high school English in southwest Virginia before moving to Oak Ridge, Tennessee. While there she met and married her husband, Hamilton native Larry Barnthouse on September 19, 1981. The two of them remained in Oak Ridge for 24 years, raising their two children before moving to Hamilton in 2005. While in Oak Ridge Raven found time to volunteer at the YWCA helping victims of spousal abuse, teach immigrants English as a second language, and organize a popular Elderhostel Program focusing on the history of atomic energy in Oak Ridge. She loved travel and enjoyed many trips to Europe, especially to her favorite cities Paris and Venice. In addition to her other talents, Raven was an enthusiastic quilter and owned a fabric shop in Hamilton, Bella Quilts, from 2011 through 2017. She is survived by her husband; children Kyle (Lisa) Barnthouse, Fairfield, and Jessica (Samantha) Basile, Boston Mass; brothers Bryan (Marie) Fraysier, Larry (Arveena) Fraysier, both of Kingsport, Tenn; sisters Leah Fraysier, Johnson City, Tenn, Britha Fraysier, Crossville, Tenn, and grandchildren Jack and Asa Basile. A memorial service will be held at the

convenience of the family. Online condolences are available at [www.weigelfuneralhome.com](http://www.weigelfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

“ Mom,

*We miss you dearly everyday. A woman very rarely gets to say she had an amazing mother in law that she loved and the the mother in law loved her back. I am on of those lucky few. There was just not enough time even in a million years to be able to sit with you talking or hearing your stories. You are the most beautiful person i have ever met. Your heart was of love and strength but still soft to love anyone that came into your presence. I don't think you ever realized the lives of everyone you touched; the difference you made to them. You accepted me as your own with open arms. You listened with ears wide opened and spoke truth with a stern stance. Your wisdom was beyond all measure and I cherish every second I got to spend with you. I remember when Kyle and i started dating you asked me to go to lunch with you; I was so nervous but you made me feel like family and never made me feel less than. The first time i was hospitalized here for a few days you sat by myside, even though you were ill, teaching me to knit and talking you did not want to leave; just like a mamma bear watching over her cubs. When Kyle and i got married one of my favorite pictures was when you came up asking if you could help you were zippering my dress, that moment meant more to me than you could ever know. That is why I called you mom. You didn't have to love me you chose too, and you were there for me at that moment when every girl needs her mamma the day she marries the man of her dreams. You gave me the most precious gift in the world; your son. I will love him more and more as we grow. I know it is not all perfect all of the time but it is worth all the time and work to put into something so precious and fragile as a marriage. I wish we had more time together I still had so much i wanted to learn from you. Thank you for being the cool mother in law the mother in law who loved and understood. You are forever in our hearts, I will miss your humor, your laugh, and your contagious smile, the same smile Kyle has. Most of all I will just miss your beautiful soul and what I wouldn't do to have one more day with you to talk and just laugh. Kyle misses you so much he wants to hug his mom and talk to you one last time. You know how he is very little words but his eyes say it all. We love you MOM!*

*Your Daughter in Law*

*Lisa*

*P.S. Now who will i make chocolate kahlua cake for? We love, love, love you!!! Sorry if the sentence structure isn't quite eloquent as I read over this i feel like i'm going to get graded lol... Once a Teacher always A Teacher!!!*

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**Lisa Marie Barnthouse** - June 09, 2021 at 03:31 AM

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“ *So sad to read this obituary in today's paper. Raven was such a kind and generous person....a natural teacher. I had the pleasure of taking several quilting classes at Bella, learning so much from this sweet and funny lady. That beautiful smile was just a hint of the beautiful person behind it. Sincere sympathy to her dear family.*

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**Linda E. Baum** - March 28, 2021 at 10:39 AM