



Melanie Brown Ting

October 31, 1956 - January 4, 2018

Melanie Brown Ting of Raleigh, NC passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family on Thursday, January 4, 2018 after a valiant battle with breast cancer. She was born in Wilson, NC to the late Morris C. Brown Sr. and Carolyn D. Brown.

Melanie was raised in Raleigh, NC and graduated from Sanderson High School in 1974. She earned her bachelor's degree in home economics in 1978 from Meredith College. During her studies at Meredith, she met her husband Shi Tien, a student at NC State. She taught at Cary Elementary School for 8 years before staying home to raise her two children.

One of Melanie's greatest joys was being a mother to Amanda and Adam. She was always there to encourage and support them throughout their lives, providing them with her nurturing love and guidance. Later in life, she became a cherished "auntie" to many families at Grace Community Church. She loved her friends dearly and cherished those who were close to her. In the midst of her battle with cancer, Melanie still found space to love and care for others by sending cards and thoughtful gifts to her friends.

Melanie loved to sew, quilt and smock, creating beautiful children's clothing and colorful quilts. She used her talents to contribute to charities by making blankets, crocheting baby hats and donating craft supplies. An animal lover since childhood, she adored her dogs and cats. Her furry "children" brought her much comfort while going through treatments over the years.

Melanie is survived by her husband of 37 years, Shi Tien Ting of Raleigh; her daughter, Amanda Ting of New York City; her son, Adam Ting and wife, Emily, of Raleigh; her mother, Carolyn D. Brown of Garner; brother, Morris Brown Jr. and family of Garner; brother Thomas Brown and family of Clayton; and by many loving in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins, and a host of long-time friends.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held on January 27, 2018, at 10:00 AM at

Celebration Church, 8700 Capital Blvd, Raleigh, NC 27616. The family requests guests wear a shade of green, Melanie's favorite color, and bring a photo or memory of Melanie to share. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to Grace Community Church, PO Box 1574, 242 Hwy 107N, Cashiers, NC 28717.

Events

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Celebration Family Church

8700 Capital Boulevard, RALEIGH, NC, US, 27616

Comments



“ I have only had the honor of calling Melanie my friend for the last 10 years. She was a beautiful person inside and out. We had a great times sharing stories of our lives, hopes and dreams. I will miss most her wonderful infectious laugh and hilarious stories. Melanie spoke highly of and shared stories of her parents, brothers, childhood friends, in-laws,neighbors past and present. We covered a lot of ground on the phone.

She loved her time in Sapphire and truly love the people in her life there. Her stories of Ting defending their home from stumpy the bear, the cool water of the lake in summer or the dusting of snow that covered the mountains were heart warming. She found peace in the mountains.

Nothing was more important to her than family that she fought hard to stay with as long as she could. Over the moon in love with Ting would be how I would describe their life together. Of all the gifts Ting was able to give to Melanie, 2 bright stars, Amanda and Adam were his greatest. Both inherited great qualities from Melanie, Amanda her mothers fearless strength, Adam her kind heart. Though my heart aches I know that Melanie's spirit soars and she will live on with all of us that loved her. Godspeed my friend.

Lynn Perfetti - January 26, 2018 at 03:42 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melanie Brown Ting.



January 26, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Melanie Brown Ting.



January 26, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ Jim & JoAnn Morehead purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Melanie Brown Ting.



Jim & JoAnn Morehead - January 25, 2018 at 11:42 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers to Ting, Amanda , and Adam.

Rhonda and Steven Porter

steven porter - January 23, 2018 at 01:38 PM



“ The Corbetts purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Melanie Brown Ting.



The Corbetts - January 17, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ I was not aware Melanie was sick- we became friends in second grade- graduated together-she was always so kind to me- we spent lots of time chatting at DAnce Creations. I just lost my mom and dad this fall so I know the heartache you all are feeling. My prayers are with you all. Debbie Pearce Mottley- Amy and Jenifers mom.

Debbie Mottley - January 17, 2018 at 10:29 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Melanie. We taught together at Cary Elementary. We stayed close until they moved out of Northcliff. I have thought of her over the years. She was a person who even though you lost touch, she remained with you. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Linda Chamblee

Linda Chamblee - January 16, 2018 at 10:03 AM



“ We were shocked to learn of Melanie’s passing. Please accept our deepest sympathy. We watched Melanie transform from a college student to a wife and mother. It sounds as though she has had a most fulfilling life. What a great loss for the family. Denis & Sylvia

Denis Jackson - January 22, 2018 at 09:55 PM



“ Melanie was one of the nicest, friendly person I have ever met! She was always smiling and you saw the love of Jesus in her. When I first met her I felt like I had known her all my life. She went to school with my brother Henry III and lived down the street from us growing up. Oh what joys she is having in heaven right now!!! One day I will see you again sister in the Lord!

Beverly Kellam - January 16, 2018 at 04:57 AM



“ Every time I was with Melanie she made me smile. I was only privileged to know her for a short time in Sapphire, but she had an impact on my life. I wish for Ting and her children comfort and love. God bless you all.

Joy and Bob McClure - January 13, 2018 at 04:02 PM



“ I have almost 30 years of memories of Melanie. Living on the same street in the early years when our boys were toddlers. Sitting on the sidelines at t-ball, little league and soccer. Our crazy travel soccer team trips. Admiring her beautiful doll collection and loved hearing about her beloved RagDoll Cats that won many awards. Even as the boys grew up and went off to college, our friendship still was strong. My best keepsake that I will cherish, Melanie made me a baseball cap that is 1/2 UNC and 1/2 Virginia Tech in honor of where my two sons went to college. I will miss our long talks. God got a good one!

Cathy and Mike Lyons

Cathy Lyons - January 12, 2018 at 08:40 AM



“ Melanie was one of the first Brown cousins I met when Sam and I started dating. Right off she made me feel like I had known her for years. So funny and sweet. She tried to teach me how to mock, but I just didn't get it. We shared the love of cross stitching and would share patterns and ideas. Even though we didn't keep in touch much, when the Brown Christmas came around at the Country Squire we would catch up just like it had only been a day or so since we last talked. Everyone was blessed to know her. Sending our love to Ting, Amanda, Adam and his wife.

Pam and Sam Brown

Pam Brown - January 12, 2018 at 07:29 AM