



## Denise R Atwater

March 8, 1955 - December 8, 2018

Denise Ranae Parrish Atwater 63

Ranae was born to George & Phyllis Parrish at Ramey Air Force Base, Aguadilla, Puerto Rico on March 8th, 1955. As a child, her family lived in Lake Charles, La., Hattiesburg & Gulf Port, Ms, then by age 9 moved to Pensacola, Fla. Ranae graduated from W.J.Woodham High School in 1973 and Pensacola Junior College in 1975 with her degree in Practical Nursing. Ranae worked as a Practical Nurse in her younger years at Baptist Hospital, Pensacola, as a caretaker for several loved patients and also as a pharmacy technician.

Ranae was preceded in death by her maternal grand parents James & Linda Bult of Lake Charles, La., and paternal grand parents George Dallas & Una Parrish, Opp, Ala, her father, George Dallas Parrish, Jr. of Pensacola and her infant sister, Rachelle. She was widowed by her previous husband Malcolm Julian.

The depths of our hearts void is revealed by the loss of Ranae. She was the beloved wife of Leonard Bryden Atwater of 10 years in Gulf Shores, Ala., daughter of Phyllis & Ruble Scarborough of Lake Charles, La. She was given her nick name Nae Nae by her loved sister Regina (Mike) Glover, her "Gina", cherished and deeply loved by her niece Alisha (Eric) Becker, her "Baby

Baby”, nephew, Dallas Glover, her “Mad Dog”, all of Gulf Breeze, Fla., step brother Rod (Linda) Scarborough of Tomball, Tx. & Tim (Liliana) Scarborough of Magnolia, Tx. and step sister Loretta (Michael) Johnson of DeQuincy, La. Ranae was also a much loved step mother to adult step daughters Adrian (Dana) Sanders & Gencie (Michael) Overfield, step sons Leonard Atwater and Richard (Rose) Atwater and also step son from age 3, Max (Mandy) Julian of Gulf Breeze, Fla. Ranae also leaves her best friend from high school that has never left her side, Susan Helton of Robertsdale, Ala.

Her loss reveals to us the magnitude of the love she shared, and the kindness she showed to the people who cared for her. She was wonderfully giving and would defend the underdog to the bitter end.

Always joyful, happy and always spunky, never stopped looking for the “brighter light” of all things.

Ranae never met a stranger with her gift of gab and always warmed the room with her smile.

There is no measure to the absence of her love in the lives of those who knew her. May her memories heal the void in our hearts and may she spread her special uniqueness in Heaven!

Services will be held Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019, 11a.m., at Saint Andrew By the Sea in Gulf Shores, Ala.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JAN 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Andrew By the Sea  
17263 FORT MORGAN ROAD  
GULF SHORES, AL 36542  
(251) 968-3900

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Denise R Atwater.



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January 11, 2019 at 10:46 AM



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January 11, 2019 at 10:39 AM



“ *Loving Grace* was purchased for the family of Denise R Atwater.



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**Regina Glover** - December 23, 2018 at 05:37 PM