



# Connie J. Brinkoetter-Ewing

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**B**RINKOETTER-EWING

DECATUR- Connie J. Brinkoetter-Ewing joined her father, Tom, in heaven on Tuesday, December 15, 2009. Surrounded by her family she succumbed to her three year battle with breast cancer.

Services to celebrate Connie's life will be held at 11 am Saturday, December 19, 2009 in the chapel of Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, conducted by Pastor Jack Pitzer. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the services at the funeral home. Interment with the "Flight Home" Ceremony will be in Point Pleasant Cemetery, Long Creek. Memorials are suggested to the Macon County Animal Shelter. Online condolences and memories can be shared with the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).

Connie was born on September 12, 1955 in Decatur, a daughter of Thomas B. "Tom" and Jacqueline M. "Jackie" (Cook) Brinkoetter. She graduated from Lakeview High School in 1973. She married Kevin Ewing on October 10, 1998.

These are the statistics of her life but there was so much more to Connie. She was a loving and devoted daughter and sister. She preferred a quiet, uncomplicated life and enjoyed her home, husband, and all her "critters". She was a loyal friend. In life Connie was humble and never gave herself credit for the joy and love she brought to the lives of others. In death she leaves a huge hole in many lives that cannot be filled. Her sense of humor even in her suffering was an example of her strength and courage.

Connie is survived by her mother, husband, sister, Carla Brinkoetter and her husband Terry Smith, brother, Tommy Brinkoetter and his wife Patty, niece, Alyssa, nephews, Adam, James, and Joey, great nephews, Emmit, Richard and Adam, brother-in-law, Kelly Ewing and his family, sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Majors and Shelly Ragsdale and their families, special "niece" Jennifer and her son Kethan, and her very special love, Amy.



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Connie was reunited in heaven with her father, Tom, paternal and maternal grandparents, and niece, Andrea.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Dr. Esparaz and to the DMH Hospice staff for all of their wonderful care and concern for the family during Connie's illness.



## Tribute Wall

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CF

**Connie Finley** posted:

I graduated from Lakeview with Connie in 1973. She touched my life even back then. I'm so sorry for your family's loss of Connie. Connie's energy was always uplifting even then. She was a wonderful person. I'm sure her presence will be greatly missed by all. My prayers are with you and your family.

December 24 at 7:24 AM

JT

**James, Kayla, And Emmit Trent** posted:

We have been sitting here figuring out what to write and there really are no words to express our sadness and care to you all. I (Kayla) will miss the wonderful hugs and kisses i always received when being greeted by Connie. She always came entered the room and left the room with a smile. We have all of you in our prayers daily and although we know that there will be a void in our family that can never be replaced or filled, Connie is with her dad and looking down on each and every one of you every day with that special smile and blowing kisses. we love you all!

December 21 at 5:27 PM

PS

**Peggy Harper Sipes** posted:

Dearest Jackie, My heart is broken for you and you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Looking at Connie's photo is like looking at a photo of you. Be well, My Friend. Love, Peggy

December 20 at 11:56 AM

GC

**Gayle Coslow** posted:

I will always have fond memories of my dear friend. My wedding pictures will always be a reminder, as she was my Maid-of Honor. My deepest sympathy and prayers to her family. Gayle Coslow

December 19 at 12:44 PM

LD

**Lana Drake** posted:

I am so sad to read of Connie's passing. I had been out of touch with her and didn't know she'd been ill. I'm so sorry not to have been there for her. I'll never forget the phone call asking me to take a black mistreated puppy, her visit to bring him to me, and her story of how she got him. I loved her instantly. She did many favors for me and I hope I was able to repay some of them. She will be in my prayers always.

December 19 at 11:20 AM



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JM

**Jamie [Amos] Meister** posted:

Connie, I lost touch with you after school, got back in touch and promised to keep in touch with you. I was planning to surprise you with a visit at work but didn't get to it. I am so sorry, you were such a good friend in school and I truly miss our friendship. It was an honor to have known you. Cruising Eldo, Elams, Steak & Shake with Robbin & Judy. Love you, Jamie

December 19 at 7:41 AM

TI

**Timlimes** posted:

Hey little cousin sorry I can't be there . Connie was a great gal . Your in my thoughts and prayers . If you need anything give me a ring .

December 18 at 6:42 PM

MM

**Mary Mills** posted:

Kevin, Aunt Jackie, Tommy and Carla, I have no words that really can say what I am feeling. Connie was truly the best of all the Cook Cousins. She was more a sister to me than a cousin. "Little Lucille" fit her to a tee. Connie had the gift of keeping us all connected. Her courage, bravery and sense of humor in battling her illness was an inspiration to me as well as everyone she touched. My heart is aching, can't even begin to imagine how all of you are feeling. Something tell me Connie and Uncle Tom are picking beans and tomatoes, perhaps feeding a deer or two, just waiting for the rest of us to arrive so we can have a big bonfire. Kevin, Aunt Jackie, Tommy and Carla, though I can't be there physically, rest assured I will be thinking of everyone that day. I love you all !! MaryEllen

December 18 at 1:50 PM

MT

**Marie Jagger-Taylor** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you Kevin and your family.

December 18 at 10:27 AM

MC

**Marcia Gilbert (Colclasure)** posted:

I am so sorry about Connie's death. We were in the same graduating class at Lakeview. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the visitation. I am so sorry for your loss.

December 18 at 7:15 AM



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MC

**Mike Cook** posted:

Aunt Jackie, Carla, Tommie, and Kevin – The best times of my life have been spent with you all and Connie in particular. Connie was the best cousin and friend anyone could ask for. I'll never forget times spent at Grandma and Grandpa's house watching thunderstorms, playing blitz, and having a cold beer or two. I loved Connie like a sister and will miss her dearly. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. Mike, Amy, Ozzie, and Chandler Cook

December 17 at 6:21 PM

GM

**Gayla & Steve Mattingly** posted:

Carla, Terry & all of your family – Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God Bless & take care.

December 17 at 1:16 PM

GF

**Ginger Fair** posted:

For Connie: If you could be back here tomorrow We'd do lunch again once more We could do fast food, or you could cook Just like we did before If you could be back here tomorrow We could chat about our day I'd call you, or you'd call me And we'd laugh it all away I won't fret about the friend I lost Or wallow in my sorrow My broken heart would go away If you could be back here tomorrow

December 17 at 9:11 AM

EG

**Eric Grohler** posted:

I WORKED WITH CONNIE MANY YEARS, A NICER, CARING, FUN TO BE AROUND PERSON I HAVE NEVER BEEN AROUND. I WILL MISS HER A LOT. ALL THRU HER ILLNESS SHE WAS SO BRAVE AND TOUGH I HOPE WHEN IT IS MY TIME I CAN BE LIKE HER. WE WILL PRAY FOR HER FAMILY DURING THIS TIME OF GRIEF SHE WAS SPECIAL TO ALL OF US AT PCM. I AM GLAD TO CALL HER MY FRIEND

December 17 at 7:11 AM



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LB

**Linda Stennett-Brewer & David Brewer** posted:

When we moved into our home 01/18/08, Connie was the first to trudge through the snow to welcome us. She and Kevin quickly became blessings in our lives, always willing to lend a helping hand, surprising us with home-baked goodies, etc. Seeing the strength with which she fought the cancer was an inspiration. Connie loved all animals, especially newborn puppies. We deeply feel the loss of her physical presence, but know that she is welcomed in Heaven.

December 17 at 6:18 AM

CN

**Cecilia Nettleton** posted:

Jackie, Kevin, Carla, and Tommy. I was saddened to learn of Connie's passing. She was a lovely woman and I enjoyed seeing you all and sharing when I worked for your father. My prayers are with you during this difficult time.

December 17 at 4:09 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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