



Valerie Looney

June 25, 1960 - March 30, 2009

Mrs. Valerie Elaine Looney, age 48, of Cedar Bluff, Virginia passed away Monday, March 30, 2009 at Claypool Hill, Virginia. She was born in Richlands, Virginia and was the daughter of Frances Brown Phillips of Cedar Bluff, Virginia and the late Clarence R. Phillips. She had made her home in the Richlands area all of her life and was a manager at the Pizza Plus in Claypool Hill, Virginia for over ten years. She was a graduate of Richlands High School. In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey D. Looney; and one brother, Steve Phillips. Survivors, in addition to her mother, are: One Son: Christopher Dean Looney of Swords Creek, Virginia Two Sisters: Mary Ellen Phillips of Cedar Bluff, Virginia Wanda Gail Phillips of Cedar Bluff, Virginia One Brother: Roy Phillips and wife, Amy L. of Greensboro, North Carolina Three Grandchildren: Ariel Griffith, Alannah Griffith, and Annalise Looney also survive. Funeral services for Valerie E. Looney will be conducted Friday, April 3, 2009 at 2:00pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with the Rev. Lucky Bunn and Rev. Mike Ryan officiating. Friends may call after 6:00pm Thursday evening at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia.

Tribute Wall



“ Valerie Looney

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ Valerie Looney

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ Susie Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Valerie Looney



Susie Stevenson - December 29, 2018 at 12:43 PM



“ My thoughts and many prayers go with you and your family in this awful time. May God Be With You and comfort you in this time of need.

Angie - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ MAY GOD BE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. MAY REST AT YOUR SIDE AND COMFORT YOUR FAMILY

COMMUNITY - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ VALERIE I MISS YOU AND AM SO SADDEN THAT YOU ARE GONE,WE GREW UP TOGETHER AND WERE FRIENDS AS ADULTS AND I AM REALLY GOING TO MISS YOU.CHRIS MY GOD BE WITH YOU HONEY YOUR MOM AND DAD LOVED YOU VERY MUCH,LOVE AND PRAYERS

JOANN JOYCE - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Have known Valerie a long time.Very sweet and kind person.She will be missed.Our hearts go out to all the family.Gob bless you all.....

Drema&Perry Coleman - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ May God Wrap you all in his loving arms and bring peace to your heart.

Pam Davis - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ You will be in my thoughts forever! Such a thing should never happen to anyone! You two being the farthest from deserving! I will miss you both!

Michelle Tuggl/Arnett - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Dearest Chris,

Your mom and I were friends throughout our school years. We graduated together and remained friends throughout the years. She was a very special person - as was your dad.

When my husband passed away, your mom and dad were such a comfort to me - and such wonderful friends. We shared so many great times and wonderful memories. Your mom was in my wedding party, and the things we did the night before my wedding was hilarious! We had so much fun! The things we did!

I cannot begin to tell you what both of your parents meant to me. Your mom helped me pick out my son's name, and honored us by being his Godmother. You were named after my son Chris, and God knows the two of you were our lives. We loved talking about you both and it was always so much fun comparing our children! She was so very proud of you! You were the light of her eyes! And those beautiful grandchildren were so special to her and your dad.

You know, sometimes we don't tell those we love just how much they mean to us. I had that chance last week. Your mom and I ran in to each other and talked for over two hours! In that time, we were able to pick up where we had left off at our last "get-to-gether." That's a mark of a true friend - you never forget where or what you talked about last. That's how your mom was. She was a great friend!

I want to to know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Your mom touched so many people with her warm smile, beautiful laugh, and her sense of compassion. Your dad was so lucky, and he always said that he had found the best thing that ever happened to him! They were so close and were the most loving people. You were blessed with two wonderful parents!

If there is anything I can do for your or your family, please don't

hesitate to call. During the next few weeks, just remember something your mom told me: "Times will be tough the next few days, but just know that those who love you are always close by." She and your dad will be close to you forever. They will never leave your heart. You'll see them in your children, you'll hear their laughs from time-to-time through your children, and one day, you'll see them again. Your mom will be smiling that beautiful smile and your dad will be right by her side.

I'm so sorry for your loss. I wish I could say or do something to help ease your pain, but just remember, they are together - just as they always were. They were a match made in Heaven. They were true soulmates!

There is a passage in the book of Psalms that I dearly love. I want to share it with you. I pray that it will, in some small way, give you some peace. Psalms 30:10-12: "Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me, be thou my helper. Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness; To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever." One day, God will turn your mourning into dancing. Hold on to God and He will help you through this.

Keep your faith and hold onto the love your parents had for you and your family. You are a very special young man - you were a part of two very special and loving people. Your memories will become all the more special. That's what your mom told me when my husband passed away. She was right - and I hope you will find some peace in the weeks to come.

God bless you, Chris. Please give your wife my love and the "babies" and hug and kiss from their "honorary aunt." I love you and will be praying for you.

I will deeply miss my two friends, but our loss is Heaven's gain. I know Valerie is making someone smile now - and your dad is right

there beside her - just as he always was - smiling just as she was. I miss them more already.

I love you my dear Chris. Your parents will never be gone, because we have you to carry on for them.

*With much love,
Lynne*

Lynne (Cantrell) Clark - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *IM VERY SORRY WHAT HAPPEND, I HEARD, AND I AM KEEPING THE FAMILY IN MY PRAYERS AND I HOPE THAT CHRIS GETS BETTER. I MISS AND LOVE YOU BOTH LIKE MY FAMILY, MY GREATEST RESPECT TO THE WHOLE FAMILY...:(*

KELLY BANDY - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *We feel there are no words to ease the pain you're feeling. Just please know all of our thoughts & our prayers are with you.*

The Hess Family - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *I did not know Mr. and Mrs. Looney but wanted to send my condolences anyway. This is such a great tragedy. May God comfort this family and walk beside them as they grieve the loss of their precious loved ones. My family will be praying for you during time of loss.*

Donna Tomblin - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ *My thoughts and prayers go to the Looney family. My heart is so heavy for this tragedy. Our family are long time Pizza Plus customers, we have literally watched our children grow up there and have really wonderful memories of the restaurant and the employees. Everyone is always so nice when you go in and it has always been a family atmosphere. May God shed His love and protection over our community.*

customer of Pizza Plus - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ *So sorry for your loss, May God Bless each and everyone of you.*

Kevin Edwards - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ CHRIS, THERE ARE NO WORDS TO EXPRESS WHAT YOU ARE GOING THROUGH. I HAVE KEPT YOU IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS SINCE I HEARD ABOUT THIS TERRIBLE TRAGEDY. MY HUSBAND AND I ATE THERE ALL THE TIME AND YOUR PARENTS WERE ALWAYS NICE AND WONDERFUL. I KNOW THIS IS THE HARDEST THING FOR YOU LOSING BOTH YOUR PARENTS AT THE SAME TIME BUT THEY ARE IN A BETTER PLACE. LOSING MY MOTHER I KNOW THINGS ARE NOT EASY BUT YOU HAVE TO KEEP THEIR MEMORY ALIVE FOR YOUR CHILDREN SO THEY CAN REMEMBER THEIR GRANDPARENTS. IT MAY NOT SEEM LIKE IT NOW BUT THERE IS A REASON FOR EVERYTHING AND THEY ARE IN GODS CARE NOW. THEY'RE NOT SUFFERING AND THEY ARE WATCHING OVER YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN. KEEP IN MIND GOD IS WITH YOU AND YOU NEED TO DEPEND ON HIM. I AM SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS AND YOUR PARENTS WILL BE GREATLY MISSED.

JESSICA SHREVE

JESSICA STROUTH SHREVE - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I wish there were something I could say or do to take the pain away.

Rita Boyd - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CU

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my prayers.

Customer - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ *Mary Ellen and Family,
I am deeply sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers and may God be with you and help you all through this terrible tragedy.*

Barbara Osborne and Family

Barbara Osborne - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *Chris, his wife, and children,
I am so sorry for this terrible tragedy that has happened to your parents, There are things in this life that we just can't understand, and this is most definitely one of those things. In Proverbs:3:5 we are told to trust in the Lord with all our heart, and to lean not unto our own understanding, so lean to Jesus and let the Spirit of God comfort you during this sad, sad time, and just know there are people out there hurting with you and praying for you. I did not know your dad, but your mom was one of my dearest friends in school, we were the class of 78. God Bless you, Stephanie*

shell mcglathlin - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TV

“ *Our hearts go out to the family. So sorry for your loss. Harv and Val were always so sweet to us when we seen then and we will never forget them.*

The Vass' - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *Extending our deepest sympathy*

Robert & Shirley Harrison - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ There are no words.....

MarthaV. Womack - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Dear Looney Family,

I Have been a customer of Pizza Plus for years. I have had my children birthday parties there. Everyone of the employees have always been the best. A great number of the employees are good christian people. I no longer live in the area, but every time we are in town, we stop and get pizza's. I was in town over the weekend because my grandma passed away. Sunday night we were going to stop and get another pizza to eat in our hotel room. However, my husband got sick and we didn't stop. We have asked ourselves what would have happened if we would have stopped.

We can't live our lives on "what if's". I will keep your family in our prayers. Its sad when a family member dies, but when one is killed I can not begin to know the pain. I pray that the killer or killers are found and the community can feel safe again.

God Bless you all!

The Thompson's

Mr. & Mrs. Thompson - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Ariel we are very sorry for your loss. If you need anything please let us know. We love you at HHS.

May God Bless You and Your Family. Love and Prayers

HHS FCS (Christian Club)

Honaker High School Fellowship of Christian Students - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ To the Family, we are so sorry for your loss...They were two of the most wonderful people and friends anyone could ever meet. What a senseless Tragedy, may GOD see who-ever done this be caught, and handled in the same manner...I know GOD has a reason for everything, but we cant help but wonder and question how come and why... We will be praying for you....May GOD BLESS YOU, and watch over you.....

Danny & Leanna Stevenson - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ We would like the family to know our prayers are with them. We always liked seeing Valerie when our family would go in and eat at Pizza Plus.May God Bless your family during this trying time. Always remember God will be with you.

Keith and Linda Matney - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Wanda and Family

We are so sorry for your loss, these were both such sweet and special people and I hate to think of the pain you are in. May God guide and comfort you and your families and keep you safe until you can be reunited.

Randall and Beth (elkins) Hill - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THIS SAD NEWS. THEY WERE SUCH LOVING PEOPLE. EVERYTIME WE WENT BY PIZZA PLUS VALERIE ALWAYS HAD A SMILE ON HER FACE AND ALWAYS SO FRIENDLY . HARVEY DELIVERED TO US MANY TIMES AND HE TO ALWAYS HAD A SMILE ON HIS FACE AND WAS SO KIND. SO SAD . OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY AND WITH THE EMPLOYEE'S OF PIZZA PLUS. MAY GOD GIVE YOU COMFORT IN THIS HARD DIFFICULT TIME .

BARNETT FAMILY - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ We may not know you personally, but wanted to express our Deepest Love and Sympathy. This was such a senseless loss and we know more grief on you all than we have know. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. My God be with you and bless you forever and always. This couple working together says alot of their closeness to me! and even though they may not have got to spend their anniversary together here this year, they shared it together in heaven!

God Bless!

Sheri Tim Bo Logan and Peyton

Sheri and Tim Shaffer - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Chris, My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this tragic time. Every day I think of this terrible event that has happened. I have had birthday parties up at Pizza Plus and have attended parties there and have been a customer there. Valerie was a really nice person as was her husband Harvey. I would see Harvey all over the area delivering. He was a kind man. I know it is hard to find comfort during this and it hard saying words that can comfort you but I just wanted you to know that your mom and dad are thought of and I am praying for God to get you and your family through this. I have known Ariel since a baby and had not seen her until recent months she is so grown up. May the Good Lord wrap his arms around you and guide you through this trying time.

Tammy Goodman - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ Chris,

I know that no words can express to you how horrible this is. Your family was like my own when we all worked together. Your parents were the sweetest, kindest and most giving people ever. Always worrying about others instead of themselves. Your Mom and Dad always touched my heart with their kindness. I wish I had answers that I could give you but I can not. All I can say is from the bottom of my heart I am sorry. You will be in my families thoughts and prayers.

Ashley Counts Williams - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ VALERIE ITS BEEN ALMOST A MONTH SENSE YOU WERE TAKEN FROM US,I MISS YOU SO BAD,I MISS YOUR SMILE AND OUR TALKS WHEN WE SEEN EACH OTHER, YOU ALWAYS HAD SOMETHING GOOD TO SAY,I WISH I COULD HAVE PEACE WITH YOUR DEATH BUT I CANT YOU WERE A GOOD FRIEND AND I HOPE WHO EVER DONE THIS TO YOU AND HARVEY CANT LIVE WITH THERE SELFS,I LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU MY DEAR FRIEND I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU.....

a good friend - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM