



## Laura Faye Newkirk

October 26, 1965 - May 10, 2021

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Laura Faye Frederick was born on October 26, 1965 to the late Leroy Frederick, Sr. and Darlene (Hardeman) Clayton. Laura departed this life to go home to be with her heavenly father on May 10, 2021.

Laura attended schools in the Taylor Independent School District. She graduated from Taylor High School in 1984. On October 2, 1982, Laura gave birth to a beautiful son, her only child, Corey Jamal Frederick.

After graduating high school, Laura went straight to work and over the years worked at different jobs including Intercraft, Seventh Street Daycare and IBM. She also worked at Tellabs in Round Rock where she met the love of her life, Anthony. After the closure of Tellabs, Laura went on to work at Austin Regional Clinic in Austin, TX as a financial administrator for the Mediview Department. After the closure of the Mediview Department in 2016, Laura decided to take an early retirement.

As mentioned, while working at Tellabs, Laura met and fell in love with Anthony Newkirk. They were married on April 22, 2000.

Laura accepted Christ at an early age and has attended and been a member of The First Baptist Church in Taylor, TX since she was a young child. Laura was very involved in her church as she served as the past President of the Ladies of Zion Mission Auxiliary and is currently the General Mission President. She also sang in the Women's Chorus and was ready and willing to

lend her support for whatever else the church needed her to do.

Laura was such the beautiful diva and loved everything in fashion. If you really knew her, you would know that her favorite store was Macy's, and she could be found there at the store often until Covid-19 made her go to curbside pickup and home deliveries! She left a beautiful scent of Chanel Coco Mademoiselle behind on everything she wore and came in contact with.

Laura recently found a new passion in baking. She would have the whole house smelling good with all kind of baked goods that she had prepared. Her specialty was her cakes and she would always make her brother-in law his favorite strawberry cake. Presentation was everything to her and when she made her baked goods for the church bake sale, or for anyone else, her presentation was nothing short of beautiful.

Laura enjoyed spending time with her family. Every minute and every holiday were spent with her family. Family was of the utmost importance to her. Laura was given the nickname "the boss". Although she was not the oldest child, she thought she was always the boss of something. And often times, yes, she really was! Although she loved all of her siblings dearly, she had a sweet connection with her sisters and was especially close to her baby sister, Pam. The two were inseparable. When you saw Laura, you could best believe that you saw Pam.

Preceding her in eternal rest is her father, Leroy Frederick, Sr. and her son Corey Jamal Frederick.

Laura leaves to cherish her dear and precious memories: beloved husband of 21 years, Anthony Newkirk; mother, Darlene Clayton; mother-in-law, Lillie Lynch; brothers, Donald Ray Frederick, Sr. and Leroy Frederick, Jr. (Janice); sisters, Debora Kay Frederick and Pamela Jackson (Fidencio); Godson, Micheal Payne; nieces, Charlotte Frederick, Tara Watkins (Rodney), Chelsea Jackson and Brandie Jackson; nephews, Donnell Harrell, Cedrick Frederick, Donald Ray Frederick, Jr. and Anthony Frederick; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and many relatives and friends.



# Cemetery Details

## Taylor City Cemetery

1101 E 4th Street  
Taylor, TX

# Previous Events

## PUBLIC VIEWING FOLLOWING CDC GUIDELINES

MAY 14. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

A Life Celebration by Franklin  
510 S. Main St.  
Taylor, TX 76574  
(512) 365-6000

## Celebration Service

MAY 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
612 East Walnut Street  
Taylor, TX 76574

# Tribute Wall



“ *Laura Faye Newkirk*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *I went to school with Laura. When we were younger if anyone had an issue with me she would be there standing up for me. Never would an ugly word be spoken by her, encouraging and uplifting. RIP Sweet sweet lady!*

**Laura Cleverley-Welch** - May 16, 2021 at 04:10 PM



“ *I am so shocked to hear about the passing of Faye. My prayers are with the family. Rev. Nelson S.A. TX*

**NELSON KEVIN** - May 16, 2021 at 03:51 PM

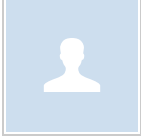
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“Where do I begin? Faye was my name of choice for her but, I would call her Laura every now and then. Our families met in the PJs there in Taylor when, we were in our early adolescent years. We hit it off right away. She was always a wonderful, fun loving and caring friend. Her laugh and smile could melt your heart. We attended school together and graduated together. Middle School and High School were some of the best years of my life, especially high school. Faye and I played sports together in high school, and we had a bond that was inseparable. Wherever Faye's mom, Ms. Darlene would move her family to, you best believe, I was visiting. Oh my God, we had the BEST TIMES. Then, we grew up and thought we were grown...LOL! Faye definitely knew how to dress, and I loved to dress as well. True, she did love fashion. She was always cute and the two of us together was a lot of cuteness, you couldn't tell us nothing (smile). When, we became of age and could hit the club scene, she was my "road dog", and I mean that with the utmost respect. I will never forget on the weekends, we would go to Killeen/Ft. Hood to party, interpretation, dance the night away. My aunt lived in Killeen so we, always had a place to get dressed, sleep over and eat. Speaking of eating, my aunt cooked the best collard greens, so of course Faye, and I would definitely indulge often. But, you see, Faye ate her collard greens and cornbread just a little different than anyone, I had every seen before. She would put her greens in a bowl and pinch off her cornbread then grab the greens with her fingers and eat them together. She did not use any utensils because, it just did not taste the same with a fork...LOL!!! Over the years, we did not keep in touch as much as we both should have because, life got busy. We never doubted our friendship and love, we have for one another. When, we would talk, it was just like we had talked yesterday. We never missed a beat catching up. As, I finish this TRIBUTE with tears in my eyes, and a very HEAVY heart, I want to say, "FAYE, YOU WERE MY VERY BEST SISTER/FRIEND GROWING UP! I AM SO BLESSED TO HAVE HAD YOU AS PART OF MY LIFE. I WILL ALWAYS CHERISH THE TIMES, HAPPINESS AND CONVERSATIONS, WE SHARED. Until, we see each other again in our HEAVENLY PLACE, Thank you for

*being YOU!!! I WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU!!!!*

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**Dion Bradford** - May 13, 2021 at 07:52 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Laura Faye Newkirk.*



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May 13, 2021 at 03:14 PM



“ *Anthony you and the family are in my prayers. Laura one of the most beautiful people I have ever known. In the years we worked together, she became more than a co-worker, she was a close friend, a daughter, a sister and a confidant. She will always be in my heart, and missed dearly. She is resting in His arms and smiling down on us!! Much Love!!*

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**Mildred Williams** - May 13, 2021 at 12:41 PM



“ *Mildred Williams purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Laura Faye Newkirk.*



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**Mildred Williams** - May 13, 2021 at 12:30 PM

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“ To The Family ,I am saddened to hear of Sister Faye passing, she will be missed by many, It did not Matter where she saw me , Always greeted with a hug and smile. Shall My Friend Rest Peacefully .

*Brother Eugene and Sister Carol Hargers*

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**Carol Hargers** - May 11, 2021 at 11:42 AM