



Elvira Galicia Akinyemi

July 2, 1959 - August 31, 2018

Elvira Galicia Akinyemi of Tallahassee, FL, passed away at the age of 59 on August 31, 2018.

Elvira is preceded in death by her daughter, Vanessa Akinyemi; her father, Fidel Galicia; her mother, Placida Vigil Galicia; and her sister Rebecca Scaggs. She is survived by her husband, Akin Akinyemi; her daughter, Dominique Akinyemi; her son, Michael Akinyemi; her stepson Rashad Akinyemi; her siblings, Carlos Galica, Irene Coleman, Fidel Galica, and Gabriel Galica; and her nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other family and loved ones.

Elvira was born on July 2, 1959, in Denver, Colorado to Fidel Galicia and Placida Vigil. She graduated from University of Colorado at Boulder in 1981 with a degree in Economics and Spanish. She married Akin Akinyemi in 1993. After moving from Colorado to Atlanta, Elvira made a final move to Tallahassee where she raised her children. Elvira was a member of Unity Eastside Church in Tallahassee, Florida.

A service celebrating Elvira's life will be held at 4 P.M. on Saturday, September 8th at Unity Eastside Church in Tallahassee. The service will be followed by a Celebration of Life at 6 P.M. at Unity. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Elvira's life. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Elvira's

memory to RMHC of North Central Florida, Inc., 1600 SW 14th St.,
Gainesville, FL 32608.

Rocky Bevis of Bevis Funeral Home in Tallahassee (850/385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the family with their arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Celebration

SEP 8. 4:00 PM (ET)

Unity Eastside Church
8551 Buck Lake Road
Tallahassee, FL 32317

Reception for family and friends following the service

SEP 8. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

HM

“ Dear Akin,

Helen and I send you our sincere condolences on the loss of Elvira in this earthly life. Through the years we have kept a photograph of Elvira and you on our wall. It shows when the two of you came to our home for a visit. I think it may have been before you moved across the lake from us it came from film developed in a dark room. Because it is not pixilated, we will send it to you by old-fashioned means. Helen and I remember Elvira's contagious energy and enthusiasm for life, and the many kindnesses she shared with us when we became neighbors in Killearn Lakes. When I told her of my anger with God after you and she lost your baby girl, she acknowledged it was unfair, but added she was happy to know I was still talking to God. I also remember driving to the Tallahassee Airport with her to pick up Dr. Wayne Dyer when Akin and Associates sponsored him on a lecture to our community. We are reminded of a quote from Pierre Teilhard de Chardin: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Her spirit lives on!

Much love to all of you in the Akinyemi and Galicia families!

Helen and Tom Martineau

Helen and Tom Martineau - September 09, 2018 at 05:49 PM

CR

“ *I am so sorry to hear about this. My heart goes out to the family. I've met Akin and he has always seemed like such a nice man. Please know that the community is thinking of you. Christine Reilly*

Christine Reilly - September 07, 2018 at 06:50 PM

RS

“ *Our sincere condolences to Akin and his family! Elvira was a real asset to everyone who knew her and to our community and church. We WILL miss her!*
Love, Rob and Eileen Smith

RS - September 06, 2018 at 08:07 PM