



## Gaye Hampe Giunta

August 23, 1941 - April 1, 2016

Gaye Hampe Giunta, 74, passed away peacefully at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital on Friday, April 1st at 3:05 pm from kidney failure. She was born on August 23, 1941 to Albert and Lucile (Beatty) Hampe in Sandusky Ohio and attended The Hancock School and Sandusky High School, where she participated in the Glee Club and the Swan Club synchronized swim team. She attended Mount Union College where she majored in economics, and was a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority. In 1962 she married Ross Giunta and they moved to Chicago where she completed her degree at Roosevelt University. The Giuntas moved to Clearwater, Florida and eventually settled in Largo where they raised two children. Ms. Giunta was a member of La Sertoma, was a dedicated volunteer for Mildred Helms Elementary School, and taught Sunday School at Church of the Ascension in Clearwater. She was creative and enjoyed craft projects, most notably as a weaver, assembling many beautiful wallhangings on her two large looms, and collecting unusual yarns. When her children were older she began a career as a legal secretary and legislative aide, moving to Tallahassee where she assisted Secretary of State Sandra Mortham. She then became Director of the Florida History Museum and also worked for the the Department of Corrections. She was active in the Republican party in Florida and served as a Congressional delegate. She is survived by her sister, Ann (Hampe) Bingham of Huron, OH, her children, Jennifer Giunta-Hausler of Nyack, NY and Reid Giunta of Vista, CA two grandchildren, Evelyn and Carlo Hausler of

Nyack, her neice and nephew Carrie Bingham of Huron, OH, and Brandon Bingham of Columbus, OH, and Carrie's children, Morgan and Elsa Bertsch, also of Huron.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 9 at 3:00 p.m. at Bevis Funeral Home at 2710 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in her name to: The Open Door Community House, 2405 2nd Avenue, Columbus, GA. 31901, [www.odch.org](http://www.odch.org). Elizabeth Emmanuel of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements, 850-385-2193, [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory  
200 John Knox Rd  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 385-2193

# Tribute Wall

AB

“ Dear Jennifer and Reid,

*Your mother was such a strong person who I admired for more than 40 years (who is counting??) You, we were all so fortunate to know her and blessed share with her. Loved seeing the photo tribute and could see you both in her when she was younger.*

*Condolences from our family to yours. With lots of love and fond memories, Amy*



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**Amy Balderson** - May 01, 2016 at 03:01 AM

BB

“ Jennifer and Reid,

*Your Mom and I started out as colleagues, then friends, then roommates. Roaming the halls of the Capitol and the streets of Tallahassee, the History Museum to the grounds of the Folk Festival, I will never forget her laughter and sweet smile (and we laughed all the time.) I cherish all the fun memories!*

*Please accept my sincerest condolences. I too, loved her and will miss her every day.*

*Love,  
Barbara Banks*

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**Barbara Banks** - April 30, 2016 at 08:11 AM

MM

“ *May memories fill the space she leaves. Love, Beth, Dan, Mae purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Gaye Hampe Giunta.*



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**May memories fill the space she leaves. Love, Beth, Dan, Mae** - April 09, 2016 at 09:37 AM

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BEVIS

“ *133 files added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Bevis Funeral Home** - April 07, 2016 at 11:25 AM

JH

*My sincere condolences to Gaye's family. I loved the pictures many of which brought back many fond memories of Hancock school. Peace be with you all.*

*Joe Harbrecht, Richmond, TX*

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**Joseph Harbrecht** - April 08, 2016 at 03:36 PM

JK

*I new Gaye at Sandusky High School ,in fact we went to her junior prom together. She is one of the people from high school that that has always ,through life, been in my mind. she wrote a poem in my year book called "Wild Things" . The last line of that poem reads " And after it's going, You will find The mem'ry of its beauty Remains in your mind. This was about a snow flake, however, to me Gaye is that snow flake. My sorrow goes to all that loved her and will miss her for the rest of their lives.*

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**Jim Keating** - April 11, 2016 at 05:37 AM

PW

“ So sorry to hear about Gaye. I was in her high school class at Sandusky High and we graduated together in 1959. Nice to see her at our class reunions. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

*Phyllis Wassner, Huron, OH*

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**Phyllis Wassner** - April 07, 2016 at 08:06 AM

JS

“ Jennifer and Reid,  
How very sad to learn of your loss. So hard to believe that Gaye's wonderful smile and laugh are gone from us. She was a good friend, and we shared fun times together. Both of you gave her so much to be proud of, and her visits to you provided great memories for her. Our hearts go out to you and we send our sincere sympathy and love.

*Judy and Jim Stevenson*

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**Judy Stevenson** - April 06, 2016 at 04:23 PM

DF

“ I was lucky enough to graduate from the Sandusky High School Class of 1959 with Gaye. She was a wonderful classmate, always smiling, and so friendly. She attended just about all of our class reunions and we always had a fun time with her. She was definitely a shining light in our class. She will be sorely missed by all of us.

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**Delores Ebner Flohr** - April 06, 2016 at 12:11 PM

MA

“ Reid, Jennifer, and family, please accept our deepest sympathies on your loss. She was always a pleasant and fun person and we'll always have fond memories of Gaye's visits to us out here in California.

Love,  
Mark  
Robyn

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**Mark** - April 05, 2016 at 06:27 PM

TA

“ Gaye was always a pleasant and friendly neighbor. She had a great sense of humor. I am grateful to have known her and she is greatly missed. May God grant her family peace during these difficult times.

Warmest Regards,  
Theresa Shotwell

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**Taj** - April 04, 2016 at 12:13 PM



“ *Dear Jennifer,  
Sorry, I sent an incomplete message.  
But I was saying that your mother sounds like she was a very  
creative and vital person.  
Must have been fun growing up with a mother interested in so many  
things.*

*I'm so sorry for your loss.*

*Love, Loretta Tito*

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**Loretta Tito** - April 03, 2016 at 07:05 PM