



## Maura Elaine Binkley

March 4, 1997 - November 2, 2018

Maura Binkley, age 21, beloved daughter, sister and faithful friend, lost her life in a senseless act of violence in a yoga studio in Tallahassee, Florida on November 2, 2018. Maura had a kind and gentle spirit, was endlessly loyal, fearless and profoundly devoted to those she loved. She is survived by her father, Jeff, mother, Margaret, brother, Sean, grandmother, Margaret, and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins, all of whom she loved dearly.

She was born in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1997. She attended Austin Elementary, Peachtree Middle School and graduated from Dunwoody High School in 2015. In high school, she was co-editor of the school yearbook and a member of the Varsity Cheerleading Squad. She was fluent in German, participated as a German Exchange student, studied in Nuremberg and welcomed German students into her home. She was a former Girl Scout and a lifelong member of St. James United Methodist Church.

Maura received an academic scholarship and attended Florida State University, where she was a fourth-generation legacy. She was a senior with a double major in German and Editing, Writing and Media. Maura was a member of the Alpha Eta Chapter of Delta Delta Delta where she served in numerous leadership roles and was currently serving as the Vice President of Chapter Development. This past spring, she received the Winthrop King Scholarship from the Department of Modern Languages at FSU, which

enabled her to study for four months at the University of Wuppertal in Germany and travel throughout Europe. At the time of her death, she was participating in ongoing interviews for a prestigious Fulbright Scholarship or to work for Teach for America.

Maura's loving and gracious spirit blesses us all. A celebration of Maura's life will be held on Sunday, November 25, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., at St. James United Methodist Church, 4400 Peachtree-Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA.

Rocky Bevis and Kelly Barber of Bevis Funeral Home (850/385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) are assisting the Binkley family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV **25**. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. James United Methodist Church  
4400 Peachtree Dunwoody Road  
Atlanta, GA 30342

# Tribute Wall

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“ I wanted to share my caring thoughts and love with Maura's family. I did not know Maura, but we shared Tallahassee life and the same sorority. I knew Nancy Van Vessem through former work at the FSU College of Medicine. They will both be missed. I am so sorry for your loss.

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**Ann Jenkins** - November 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM