



Laurel Preston Breckinridge

July 19, 2009

Laurel Preston Breckinridge, age 61, passed away on Sunday July 19th, 2009 at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. Mrs. Breckinridge was born in Huntington, WV, the daughter of the late Henry J. Preston and Theodora Michael Preston. She was predeceased by her father and her husband James Robert Breckinridge. Mrs. Breckinridge is survived by her mother, Theodora Preston and her sister Nancy Ferguson, both of Florida, and her fiancé Tom Remington, of Chesapeake, and her two cocker spaniels: Harley Joe and Harley Jean. Mrs. Breckinridge was a retired teacher with the Martinsville VA. Schools.

She also was a drum major with the Radford College Highlander Band and preformed the Highlander Flame at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 1968. It was Laurels wish to be cremated and have her ashes scattered at sea. Arrangements were entrusted to Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel.

Tribute Wall



“ Mrs. Preston and Nancy,
I am devastated to learn of Laurie's passing. I have known that her health has not been good but I prayed this would not happen. Laurie has been such an important part of my life since the summer of '68 at Radford when she started referring to me as the "lousy freshman". I've been with her through most of the ups and downs of her life and will always regret that I was not there for her at this time. I only hope she will forgive me.
I have such great memories of my times with Laurie. her friends, family, homes and dogs especially Beau. Laurie was the most wonderful person and a best friend. She may not be that much older than I am but she was my mentor and I would say that she played a part in the person I became.
I'd like to believe that she is in a better place with her dad, Jimmy, Betty Jo and all others important to her. I can only hope that she and Betty Jo are up there discussing how they are going to keep me in line so I can stay down here longer.
The place in my heart that has held Betty Jo so dear has now gotten larger with Laurie beside her. I will miss just knowing that she was always there for me.
I hope that both are getting through this with each other. I would love to talk to you or email. 214-403-6297/ bimtoo@gmail.com

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