



## Mikkia Michelle Brill

August 3, 1965 - August 30, 2025

Mikkia Michelle Brill, 60, of Winchester, VA, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, and friend, passed peacefully on August 30, 2025 with her family by her side.

Born August 3, 1965, in Luray, VA, Mikkia lived with a strong sense of independence and authenticity. She was an extraordinarily talented artist and the proud owner of Salon Renee, where she poured her creativity and vision into her work. She found joy in painting, playing her banjo and guitar, and riding her motorcycle — always living life on her own terms.

Above all, she was a devoted mother and grandmother. She raised her daughters, Amber M. Linaburg and Ravin A. Smallwood, with a steady hand and a pragmatic love that was always focused on their future. She was deeply proud of her grandchildren, Aubre L. Gainer, Killian D. Shutts, Keegan D. Shutts, and Wessyn T. Smallwood. She loved and felt deeply and those who knew her well respected both her tenderness and her strength.

Mikkia is survived by her mother, Bernice M. Carper of Stephens City, VA; her sisters, Lisa E. Williamson of Bunker Hill, WV, Robyn R. Graves of Winchester, VA, and half-sister Vicki Rytter of Winchester, VA; along with nine nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Robert (Bobby) L. Carper, her brother, Ty L. Carper, and her beloved dog, Gentry, who was her constant companion.

A woman of Christian faith, Mikkia was a hard worker who lived boldly and unapologetically, always on her own terms. Her legacy is one of love, artistry,

resilience, and fire — a reminder to live authentically and to meet life with both heart and courage.

“Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Lord.” –

Matthew 25:23

A service will be 4:00 pm Saturday in Phelps Funeral Chapel 311 Hope Drive in Winchester officiated by Ms. Lisa Williamson.

Friends will be received an hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 6. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Phelps Funeral & Cremation Service  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

MS

“ This breaks my heart. I will never forget the day you were baptized. You were free. We would run into each other from time to time and pick up right where we left off. Your faith, your beauty, your talent and your fierce love for your family set you apart from everyone else. Rest easy in the arms of Jesus my dear friend. Till we meet again.

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**Melissa D Snapp** - October 07, 2025 at 10:05 PM

KM

“ I meet Mikkia when her family bought the corners . I worked with her for several years and she became my best friend . Everything she did was with passion and determination. I'll miss you lady .you were a awesome person and a great friend...

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**Kathy madigan** - September 15, 2025 at 08:25 AM

BA

“ I am so sorry for your loss I went to school with her and thought so much of her my prayers go out to her family and friends rip sweet angel

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**Brian K. Legge & Associates** - September 09, 2025 at 07:01 PM

KR

“ I'm so very sorry 🥹 I wish I could have made it to her service, but didn't find out until a few days ago.

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**Kim Ritenour** - September 08, 2025 at 08:06 PM

DG

“ I am proud to have known Mikkia. I remember her sitting on a car hood at Bob's Gulf station in Boyce VA just picking away on her banjo.  
Rest easy Mikkia.

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**Dale Gardner** - September 05, 2025 at 03:40 PM

LS

“ I had the blessing of meeting Mikkia & her Girls when she moved next door to me when we lived in Ridgefield. I loved her the moment I met her. What a life force! She inspired me to be creative and think outside of the box. Her kindness and compassion always filled my heart each time I was around her. Thank you Mikkia. I will never forget You. Love to Ravin & Amber. Jesus holds her now.

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**Leigh Ann Simmons** - September 04, 2025 at 01:09 PM

TB

“ To Bunny and her family. I am so sorry to hear of Mikkia passing. I will keep you folks in my prayers. Mikkia, ride on young spirit.

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**Ted Butler** - September 03, 2025 at 03:30 PM

JR

“ Rest in peace Makkia. Prayers to Bunny and the family.

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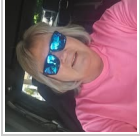
**Joyce Riley** - September 02, 2025 at 04:54 PM

DE

“ Sorry to hear this,hugs to you Bunny and the rest of the family! FLY HIGH

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**Dawn Edmonds** - September 01, 2025 at 08:10 PM



“ *I don't think I've met a more spirited woman. She was amazing at everything she put her mind to. RIP beautiful. Our condolences to the family*



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**Jacquie Hurst** - September 01, 2025 at 07:21 PM

RA

“ *I'll miss you forever Mama. Please watch over me as I learn to go through life without you. Love Always, Baby bird.*



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**Ravin Ann** - September 01, 2025 at 06:20 PM

TC

“ *I'll never forget going over to Amber's after schools and loved to see the huge painting above the Starts her Mom had painted. I had always thought Mikkia was so beautiful and unique in her own awesome way. Rest peacefully.*

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**Tiffany Cooper** - September 01, 2025 at 04:22 PM

LB

“ *Lindsay Bly lit a candle in memory of Mikkia Brill*



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**Lindsay Bly** - September 01, 2025 at 04:03 PM

LB

“ Your mom’s love was a gift to everyone who knew her. I pray that her warmth surrounds you even now, and that you feel her presence in every cherished memory. Mikkia is one of a kind . I’ll never forget the first time I met her. May she rest in warmth and love.

Sincerely,  
The Bly’s

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**Lindsay Bly** - September 01, 2025 at 04:02 PM

TS

“ Mikkia was a strong, willed, spirit. We met her through A and O locks and our motorcycle club and ministry. She painted beautifully and even did some artwork on motorcycle tanks. Prayers and hugs for her family and friends. A special hug for Ravin and Wes. May God wrap his arms around all of you.

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**Tim and Terry Shanks** - September 01, 2025 at 12:24 PM

TM

Amber & Ravin my heart hurts for you and the family 💔 we shared so many memories, your Mother was a very beautiful woman and will definitely be missed by so many ❤️ sending lots of love & prayers to you all!

Love y’all

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**tina minter** - September 02, 2025 at 08:07 PM

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Thank you all for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers as we find our way through this difficult and trying time.. you are appreciated. XO.

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**Amber Linaburg (Carper)** - September 06, 2025 at 06:00 PM