



Jacqueline (Jacci) Dale Farrell

April 19, 1943 - July 21, 2020

In lieu of flowers, Jacci's family is requesting donations be made in her name to the Amyloidosis Foundation: <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/?key=amyfound>

Please Note:

Visit/Pass Through:

Friday, July 31, 2020 (11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

Ballard Family Mortuary, 6700 Smith Rd, Denver, CO 80207

To support a safe environment during the coronavirus pandemic, family and friends are welcome to view, pass through, sign a condolence book and exit. Masks and social distancing are required.

Link to Live Stream and Tribute Video: <https://youtu.be/Q6YPXo0GNR0>

Obituary-

Jacqueline "Jacci" Farrell, 77, of Aurora, Colorado, passed away on Tuesday, July 21, 2020. She was born April 19, 1943 in Erie, Pennsylvania to John and Ida Strother. Jacci was the oldest of four kids and the only girl, so you can imagine the fun she had with the torment, pranks and silliness given by her three brothers: John, Jr. "Buster," Rodney "Chee-Chee" and Alan (too cool for a nickname). It was all love, though - she loved them dearly and knew this was just what little brothers did!

Jacci attended Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee where she earned a bachelor's degree in journalism and later obtained a master's degree in English at Webster University. While at Fisk University, she bumped into William "Buddy" Farrell, Sr. They married on September 3, 1968 after knowing each other for only two weeks (Jacci had it goin' on, so Buddy locked that down, quickly.!) She joined Buddy in Italy where he was stationed, as he served in the United States Air Force. To this union, three handsome

boys were born: William, Jr. "Billy," Scott and Robin. Can you believe it? Surrounded by three boys, again! That meant more torment, more pranks, and more silliness, ... but ohhhhhh ... SO MUCH LOVE! A few years after Billy was born in Italy, they moved to Denver, Colorado, where Scott was born, and 15 months later ... knock, knock! Who's there? It's Robin! And then there were three.

As a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend – Jacci ALWAYS had "more" in her heart to support and show love to others whenever needed. She was a natural caregiver; never hated anything or anyone ... oh, wait, that's not true. She hated 45 (the "thing" in the White House), but loved her some Obama!

We will miss your gumbo, your macaroni and cheese, your chicken soup when we're sick, your singing "Gama'z lil' baby" that had no additional lyrics besides those three words, the family retreats to Breckenridge, and your outings and events with "Just Good Friends," but mostly, we will forever cherish the memory you stamped on all of our hearts, your signature exit line ... "LOVE YOU MORE."

Jacci is survived by her three sons Billy (Tracy), Scott and Robin; her seven grandchildren, Blaire, Morgan, Jurnee, Jayden, Andrew, Avyon and Maika; one great-grandson, Hendrix; two brothers, Chee-Chee (Hiiko) and Alan (Connie); and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends. She was predeceased by her husband, Buddy, her brother, Buster (Diane), and her parents, John and Ida Strother.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Ballard Family Mortuary, LLC
6700 Smith Rd
Denver, CO 80207
(303) 963-5779

Private Burial

AUG 4 (MT)

Fort Logan National Cemetery
4400 W. Kenyon AVE
Denver, CO 80236
(303) 761-0117
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/ftlogan.asp>

Tribute Wall

CH

“ *To My Beautiful Cousin Jacci. Truly enjoyed our conversations from time to time about our family. I was so grateful to reconnect. Gods timing is perfect. Our last conversation was during the holiday last year and I gave you the details of how the Family Reunion was. Thank you for your laughter. By the way, Daddy (Calvin Ott) shared a really cool story with me about you. 😊 I will say farewell for now.....
To the Family, You have our deepest Sympathy and condolences and pray God will keep you in perfect peace. From Calvin Ott and children.
Blessings, Capucine Hines (Ott)*

Capucine Hines - August 15, 2020 at 08:33 PM

PM

“ *Dearest Jacci, I'm so honored to have had the opportunity to get to know you through Just Good Friends. I so enjoyed your kind and loving spirit. I'll cherish my memories of you with the sound of your voice and your smile, your fabulous jewelry and always beautifully manicured nails. Oh yes, and with an occasional salute with Moscato D' Asti. May you Rest in Paradise! Love & Light, Paula McClain*

Paula McClain - July 31, 2020 at 02:51 PM

MD

“ *My memory of Jacci is how she was always joyful and in good spirits. She cared deeply about others, especially her family and friends. Her kind, gentle presence will be sorely missed. I am sure she is rejoicing with the band of angels she met when the Lord ushered her into his kingdom! Mary Davis*

Mary McGlothin Davis - July 31, 2020 at 02:04 PM

AE

“ *My sincere condolences to Jacci's family. Even though Jacci and I lived far apart, I have such fond memories of the fun times we had when I would visit our mutual friend Vel. We would hang out enjoying good food, watching the Broncos and sharing stories about back in the day. Her joyous, loving and caring spirit will be missed but forever remembered.
Prayerfully,
Annmarieĭ*

Annmarie Evans - July 31, 2020 at 01:47 PM

CS

“ Aunt Jacci,

I have you to thank for so many of the good traits and coping skills in my life. You guided me. Ever since I was a child, I looked up to you. Your grace and poise, your beautiful laugh. You are truly my idol, and I'm sad that I spent so much time away from my family, but I'm so grateful for the times I got to see you again. No matter how long I spent away, or how silly my issues were, you were there to bring me right back into the fold. I'm just so grateful I got to know you. Your love is the strongest love on earth, your beautiful soul will always be a guide to me. And my memories of playing with Blaire and Morgan, running through your house, you taking us to the pool, those are the memories I fall back on when I feel lost. You gave me my safe spaces, and taught me how to make safe spaces for others. I'll miss you every day until I see you again. Rest well, you've done more than enough. It's up to every one of us that you loved to spread your love to the world. We'll make you proud. I love you forever.

Cait Strother - July 31, 2020 at 01:30 PM

DP

“ Cousin Jacci❤️

Although we are far apart you will always be in our hearts. Family love will always endure 🙏. It was awesome seeing you 😊 we couldn't wait to visit. However I do wish we could see all our cousins all across the country, how awesome would that family reunion be! Much love to the family and all the cousins I haven't met❤️
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Love your cousin Danette (Day) Perkins (Cook)

Danette Perkins - July 31, 2020 at 01:25 PM

CS

“ We may not always understand
When troubles come our way,
And just why sad things happen,
We cannot always say...
But may it be a comfort
To know that friends are there,
And may it somehow help to know
How very much we care.
With deepest sympathy
Denver Silhouettes (an auxiliary of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.Inc)



Cynthia Smith - July 30, 2020 at 05:46 PM

SW

“ We are thanking God right now for allowing us to know you Jacci. You were a steadfast and loyal friend and we could talk about anything or nothing at all. You were the loving matriarch who took care of everyone in your family without complaining. Your smile is unforgettable. We learned so much from you about patience and service to others. We remember the football gatherings and jazz festivals we enjoyed together. We will miss your presence so much even though we know you will stay close in spirit. You get to rest now but I know you will still be looking out for all of us. Your spirit can soar now. No more “chair dancing”, we can picture you enjoying good music while dancing with Buddy and the other angels.
Susan and Robert Walker



Susan Walker - July 30, 2020 at 05:42 PM

SR

“ 1 file added to the album Me and Jacci



Sandra (coco) Roberts-Taylor - July 29, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ 7 files added to the album *Moms Life*



Bill Farrell - July 29, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ *Wishing the family loving memories to hold forever in your hearts. Jacci was a caring and giving person. She gave me a helping hand when I needed it the most in my life. She was a wonderful friend. I will miss you Jacci.*

Leola Harris, Friend

Leola Harris - July 29, 2020 at 12:54 PM

LQ

“ Cousin Jacci,

You are the definition of unconditional love & love of family ❤️ I'm having a hard time wrapping my brain around the fact that you've gone home. Yet I'm sure when you arrived God said: Well done my good and faithful servant! Well done! I will cherish the memories of Daddy & I coming to visit your family and take Billy out with us, all the times we all would pile in Grand Mother Byrd's little house over the years as a family, all the times you took care of Mommy, came to Florida to help me lay Daddy to rest, for the countless trips to California & just the two of us girls going to the beach, shopping and eating dinner out:) Mostly I will remember all the visits the whole family would fly to Denver and fill your house laughing, cooking, drinking, ALL the ladies getting in cars to go shopping, sharing memories of old and new just a lotta love filling your home:) I will carry the lessons & conversations we had & do my best to be a supportive elder like you were. Until I see you again... Thank you & I love you.



Lisa Quercioli - July 28, 2020 at 09:39 PM

SR

“ 3 files added to the album Me and Jacci



Sandra (coco) Roberts-Taylor - July 28, 2020 at 08:57 PM

SR

“ I want our family and friends to remember that the life of a soul on earth last beyond their departure. You will always feel that life touching yours, that voice speaking to you, that spirit looking out of other eyes, talking to you in the familiar things they touched, worked with, loved as familiar friends. She will live on in your life and in the lives of all others that knew her.

I will miss my friend of 50 plus years, we were joined in so many ways, Just Good Friends, Circle of Sisters book club, our football group and a sister in Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Sandra Roberts-Taylor - July 28, 2020 at 08:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jacqueline (Jacci) Dale Farrell.



July 28, 2020 at 05:03 PM

SF

“ Dearest Jacci,
I'm thanking God for allowing our Paths to cross. Your beautiful smile and soft spoken voice will never be forgotten. Our Book Club lost another angel but your presence will still be felt even though you are no longer at the table. Rest Easy my Dear Soror!



Summer Foxworth - July 28, 2020 at 01:25 PM



“ 7 files added to the album Moms Life



Bill Farrell - July 28, 2020 at 10:22 AM

VG

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Velvia Garner - July 27, 2020 at 10:38 PM

VG

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Velvia Garner - July 27, 2020 at 10:20 PM

“ Mom -



You have to be one of the sweetest people I know. As your daughter-in-law, the first thing I have to thank you for is bringing Billy into this world. Because of your love for him and guiding him to be the man he is, he has been a very loving husband to me and father to our kids, Jurnee and Jayden. I wouldn't have the family I have without you (and Buddy, LOL!).

Second, you were a good mother-in-law. You gave Billy and I our own space to build or own family and lives (in other words, you stayed out of our business, LOL!). You and I are very different women, but we also had a level of respect for each other. I'm so thankful for that. I was with you until the end, until your last breath, and I watched Billy stand in strength by your side every day for about two months as you were preparing to make your move toward heaven. It was beautiful to see how much you were loved. He said things to you, he sang to you, and I could see in my heart and with my own eyes ... you heard and felt every word. He told you, "Mom, it's time for you to let go. We'll be fine. I got this." In that moment, I could see your strength. You used whatever you had left to open your eyes for about one minute, gently turn your head toward him to let him know you were listening ... and then you nodded your head ever-so-softly indicating, "Okay." Billy and I knew you heard and that you and God were on a path.

We're all hurting in our own way, but this is a joyous occasion for you. Mom, for 22 years, I've observed you do everything for everybody, EXCEPT YOURSELF. Now, do you. Do everything for yourself. Time to LOVE YOURSELF MORE. God bless you. Tell Buddy we love him, and give my friend Ed a kiss too, please!

Tracy Breckenridge - July 27, 2020 at 09:16 PM

VG

“ *My dear friend, I miss you already. I will miss your sweet smile, your gumbo, your onion soup, the way you would dance listening to jazz at Winter Park. I remember the way you felt when Buddy was called home on your birthday. We went to Albuquerque to reclaim your birthday as a day to celebrate. We vowed to never let his passing on that day spoil our celebrating. I remember the joy you showed as you admired all of those grand babies. It took a while for you to get some girls in the family. As long as we are alive your JGF's will be available for all of your babies. When you see Buddy tell him we were angry with him also but we are over it now. I have so many memories after 50 plus years of friendship. You so very much want girls but that did not happen. My girls tried to fill in for you only having boys. They are already missing you as well. There will not be a day that I will not think about you and want to call you to make sure you are taking your meds, drinking enough water, getting some sleep and tending more to your needs. You were so good at taking care of everyone but less vigorous in taking care of your needs. Your love for everyone was so evident. Your commitment to your family was undeniable. Do not worry about your family, they will make it and will remember how you cared for all of them. God noticed you were getting tired so he called you home to get some real rest. You left all of us a great legacy, one that teaches us how to love and care for our family. Good bye my friend, God is opening his arms to you so you can read all night and all day if you want to and not have to get up and make dinner for anyone. Rest in perfect peace.*

Velvia Garner - July 27, 2020 at 03:56 PM

SF

“ *Mom,*

I miss you so much already every second! You were the sweetest, most loving, caring, and the most amazing heart person I've ever had the pleasure of knowing! How lucky and blessed were we to have the privilege to have a mom like you. I too will miss our family Breckenridge/Winter Park family trips. Your cooking, your hugs and kisses, your amazing smile, your cute character! Rest well my sweet mom! You are my angel!!!



Scott Farrell - July 27, 2020 at 03:31 PM

LQ

*Cousin Jacci,
You are the definition of unconditional love.
I'm finding it hard to even wrap my head around that you've gone home. I know you we're greeted by God saying well done my good and faithful servant! Well done! Sweet cousin I will miss you!!! I will do my best to honor you by becoming more like the woman you were to family. Rest well & bask in all the rewards God for you. Until I see you again...I love you & thank you 🙏*

Lisa Quercioli - July 27, 2020 at 06:43 PM



“ Mom, Time to rest peacefully sweet angel! What an incredible mom, grandma, aunt, great grandma, sister and friend! I will miss your cooking, our long talks (mostly about how much you couldn't stand 45) I'll miss our trips to Breck with the family, and I'll miss watching you interact with Henny! I'll think about you every single day and smile! Rest well!



Love Billy ❤️🥰

Bill Farrell - July 27, 2020 at 03:10 PM