



Jeanette Luke "Gigi" Williams

May 19, 1944 - January 2, 2013

Jeanette (Gigi) Luke Williams, age 68, died Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at her home in Tequesta, Florida. She was in the company of her husband and a loving team of people who assisted in her care. Gigi suffered from two rare diseases without complaint for many years. She was born in Winchester, Massachusetts on May 19, 1944. She was the daughter of Joseph Henry Luke and Jeanette Munsie Luke. She was raised in North Conway, N.H., graduated from Kennett High School in 1962 and the Kathryn Gibbs School in Boston in 1963. Gigi served proudly as Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor of Rainbow Girls at the Philadelphia Convention of Supreme Assembly in 1964, the first Grand Worthy Advisor of New Hampshire to do so. She was active in Republican Party politics and worked for Gov. Nelson Rockefeller when he ran for president in 1968. Gigi married George Merrill Williams of Natick, Massachusetts on October 19, 1968. She worked in Boston for FMR Corp. (Fidelity Investments) until moving to Brussels, Belgium in 1971. During five years abroad their daughter, Ghislaine Williams (Stonaker), and son, John Bradford Williams, were born. In 1976 the family moved to Dallas, Texas where Gigi became very involved in various civic and volunteer activities. She is survived by her husband, her two children and six grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, January 19, at Highland Park United Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to The ALS Association, 1275 K Street NW, Suite

1050, Washington, DC 20005.

Tribute Wall



“ Jeanette Luke "Gigi" Williams

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ What a wonderful opportunity this is to share a memory of Gigi. I knew her 46 years ago in Brussels. I have thought of her so many times, but lost contact years ago. Today as I folded some linen napkins (recommended that I buy from Gigi), I decided to put Gigi, Will, and Ghislaine into google, and this appeared. Amazing! She was such a good friend to me when I struggled to adjust to life in a foreign country with a new (and first) baby. She was so organized and practical about everything. Nothing seemed to be a challenge. When she delivered Ghislaine with so little drama, I was jealous having had to have a C section myself. Then of course, Ghislaine was beautiful from the start, while I was dealing with allergies and excema with Tyson. Stories of her life in North Conway and then in Boston were funny and always entertaining. Walt and I have talked about the fact that living in Belgium those 3 years changed everything for us, and Gigi and Will were people our age who helped to make the experience as much fun as it was. I'm so sad to realize that she passed away so young, but other tributes indicate that she continued to be the wonderful young woman that I knew.
Judy Stuelpe

Judy Stuelpe - October 07, 2019 at 12:23 PM

JE

“ My dear sister, As Patty said it has been nearly a year since you hung on for one more tax deduction for Will. What a Trooper you were. Just like your mother. I have thought of you often over the past year. For some reason the picture of you locked in my mind is in the white dress with the red apple when you were three. Mummy was getting ready to take you and me to a special event in North Conway, but you were not happy and you were crying and banging your head on the floor. Mommy knew what to do, though. She poured a glass of cold water on you and you stopped your tantrum immediately. I thought it was really funny, but I was only seven. Actually the thought crossed my mind today that I am the only person alive who knew you all your life. That's a special honor. I miss you, my sister. You always pushed me to do the right thing. By the way, I saw Ghislaine a couple weeks ago and I told her she should take the puzzle I framed for you that you put in your laundry room. She said she would and would find a more appropriate place for it in her home. I have tried to make my comments light just in case you can read them, I hope they will bring a smile to your face. Let me end by telling you the Red Sox won the World Series. I know you would have enjoyed this team with all the beards. Omar, Sarah and I went to the opening day game and helped get them off to a grand start. Finally, one of the highlights of 2013 was when Omar, Sahar and I attended your memorial service. It was beautiful. Sahar took the red, white and blue purse you gave her. We really felt your presence. I love you and miss you, John

John Luke - Alexandria, Egypt - December 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Dear Gigi, I have written you many letters in my life but this is the hardest. It has been almost a year since your passing. I knew for a long while that you were very sick and I did not want you to suffer knowing what a proud person you were. I knew it was hard for you to ask for help but in the end you made great friendships with the people who came to help you. That was so you. You loved everyone from the milkman to the president of a big financial company we both worked for. In the year you have been gone many changes have happened. My husband's disease has progressed and he is in an assisted living. You were always so supporting to me when I would talk to you about the situation. I know you are still keeping me strong and helping me to take care of myself. Your words for me to not worry about everyone's opinions and do what I have to do has made me feel better. Knowing you are watching over me and sending me hearts get me through some tough times. I'm not saying goodbye to you because I know you are there for me. When I think of you you are there; when I see hearts you are sending them. Thank you for still being my big sister and always being there for me. I love you Gigi. Your sister Patty

Patty Luke - Boston, MA - December 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ My memories of Gigi go back in time. One of my favorite memories was at the Homestead when Gigi would wear her curlers and encourage us all to stay up late! I don't know how she functioned on so little sleep. Our trip down the Saco in the canoe was also one of the memories I will hold dear. I saw Gigi in Florida on several occasions and was so impressed with her vibrant smile and will to carry on as if no medical issues would keep her down. She is a tribute to us all and we know she is at peace and watching out for all of us. David and Tracy Huntington

A friend - February 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *My heart is with you all.*

Trina Wright - Palm Beach Gardens, FL - January 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Oh my dear friend, Gigi. I smile as I remember:- Our shopping trips to all the consignment, flea markets, and antique shops in the area. You knew someone at almost every place. I met such friendly people when I was with you.- Watching the playoffs with George and I yelling at the TV, Ken pacing in the background, and you calling up from downstairs to find out what was happening because you were too nervous to watch the game.- Your amazing brisket. - Having dinner with you at Ruth Chris's and watching you enjoy that marvelous berries and cream dessert.- Driving through the local MacDonald's for your Senior Citizen's Diet Coke AND getting the free refill too.- Your little stashes of winnings from the casino which all had their proper container and proper place in your car.- Your big stashes of boxes in the garage that used to drive George crazy. But you ALWAYS had the right size box to ship ANYTHING anywhere!- You making me laugh so hard I couldn't breathe with your stories about the dog buried in the yard and meeting Ray Liotta on the plane.- You and Kenny talking obsessively about getting and keeping status on American.I will miss you so much, my dear friend. I'm so glad that I got to see you one last time. You are with God now and at peace.Dear George, Brad, Ghislaine, and Patty: I'm so sorry I couldn't be there today. Ken told me what a beautiful ceremony it was. God bless you all and hold you in His loving arms.*

Barbara Jones - Framingham, MA - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ I remember Gigi from Rainbow girls. She was the Worthy Advisor when I was inducted. I was so nervous and she was like a princess that made you feel at ease immediately. So gracious and helpful when I had to sub on one of the stations. Rest in peace and may God grant your family peace.

Karen Haley Leach - Fryeburg, ME - friend - January 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Dear Will, Ghislaine and Brad, I am heartbroken. My dear, sweet friend Gigi is at peace. bless her heart - for she was so strong. I vividly remember the days she would come over to the house in Brussels every morning with the children and we'd discuss everything and play with the kids. It is wonderful to have the fond memories of our friendship and I will never forget her sweet disposition and concern for others. Now the Lord is taking full care of her .

Bette ruysschaert - Spring, Texas - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Will, Ghislaine and Brad, I am so sorry for your loss. Gigi was a very special person and will be missed. Gaby Ruyschaert Herring

A friend - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ From The Ruyschaert Family. We were close friends of your family. My mom and Gigi were basically best friends in Brussels. I vividly remember Gigi nursing her babies sitting at our kitchen table in Brussels while my mom cooked many dinners. We are very saddened to hear this news. My mom especially. She will be driving to Dallas for the funeral. Our sincere condolences to all of you. May you RIP Gigi. Chip Ruyschaert in San Diego

Chip Ruyschaert - San Diego, CA - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NG

“ When Gigi;s Mom was having her sister Patty I was working waiting on table at their inn in North Conway.Her mom was quite ill so I took care of Gigi and we went skiing and she would ride piggyback down the ski slope with me. We had our picture on the front page of the Parade magazine of the paper. I continued to be good friends with the family for many years and was very proud of Gigi and all her accomplishments .Am very sorry she had to endure the sickness' she did. My prayers are with you all in your loss.

*Fondly,
Norma Wassall*

Norma Ashnault Haynes Wassall - hales Locatio,NH, Venice, FI, FL - old friend of Gigi's - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM