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Rev. Michael Wells Officiating

Dancing with The Angels

by Monk & Neagle

Memories surround me, But sadness has found me, I'd do anything for more time. Never before has someone meant more. And I can't get you out of my mind.

There is just so much that I don't understand But I know...

(Chorus)
You're dancing with the angels
Walking in new life
You're dancing with the angels
Heaven fills your eyes
Now that you're dancing with the angels

You had love for your family Love for all people Love for the Father, and Son Your heart will be heard In your unspoken words Through generations to come

There is so much that I don't understand But I know...

(Chorus)

We're only here for such a short time So I'm gonna' stand up, shout out And sing Hallelujah, One day I'll see you again

And we'll be dancing with the angels Walking in new life
We're dancing with the angels
Heaven fills our eyes
When you're dancing with the angels
(Walking in new light)
When we're dancing with the angels
(heaven fills our eyes)
I'm dancing with the angels.
Dancing with the angels.

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Prelude Connie Covington

Processional Connie Covington

"Amazing Grace" (1st & Last Verse) Congregational

Scripture Psalm 23 NKJV Pastor Michael Wells

Celebration of Life Presentation

Sharing of Memories Family and Friends

Special Music "Oceans" McClain Suttles

Message Pastor Michael Wells

Closing Prayer Pastor Michael Wells

Recessional Connie Covington



The family thanks the many friends and relatives who have offered their love and support.

Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup runs over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow

me All the days of my life; And I will

dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Brenda Brandt Saltamacchio

Brenda Brandt Saltamacchio, age 79, went to be with the Lord Wednesday, September 15, 2021. Living in Eatonton, GA she passed at home in the arms of her loving husband. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who will be greatly missed.

She was born on March 6, 1942, in New Orleans, LA to the late Joseph Emile Brandt and Mary Louise Nastase "Marie" Brandt both of New Orleans. Brenda attended an all girls Catholic Elementary School but it was not till she moved up to the coed High School that her light really began to shine. She was a graduate of Francis T. Nichols High School, where she was the "Homecoming Queen" and awarded the title of "Most Popular Girl". She even won the title "Most Ideal Girl" in a contest between the city's schools. Loving sports Brenda worked with the school newspaper "The Rebel Yell" covering and writing the sports articles.

Brenda moved to Lake Oconee from Alpharetta, GA in 2001 to continue building Custom Swimming Pools and it was here she met the love of her life. On August 6, 2004 she married Ray Saltamacchio whom she was married to for 17 years at the time of her death. They enjoyed 20 wonderful years together as soulmates.

Brenda was co-owner and business manager of Saltamacchio's Karate School working alongside her husband until retiring in 2016. Brenda enjoyed several careers after raising her family, but none made her as happy as her passion for designing and building Custom Swimming Pools which she did for 25 years. Brenda was lovingly known in the Lake Oconee Community as "The Pool Lady".

Brenda loved spending time with family, celebrations, dancing, watching sports and helping those around her enjoy life. If there was a party, she was sure to put on a show effortlessly making everyone laugh. If there was music and an opportunity to dance, she was there, dancing the night away with her husband Ray. Brenda also loved to watch sports especially her beloved Atlanta Braves being the die-hard fan that she was never missing a game if possible. Second only to baseball was her love for the Georgia Bulldogs. When younger she also

volunteered at the hospital as a "Candy Striper" bringing hope and joy to the patients. As a young girl you might even hear her dedicating a song and singing it to her "boyfriend" on a Saturday morning at the local radio station. Brenda had a close relationship with God and had been attending LakePoint Community Church at the time of her death

"Her infectious smile will shine through the clouds and continue to light our day, and at night it will be the glow of the moon she will use to show her presence"

Brenda was preceded in death by her parents Joseph and Mary Louise "Marie" Brandt, and her stepson Jeffrey Saltamacchio. She is survived by her husband, Ray Saltamacchio of Eatonton, GA; two daughters, Dawn NeSmith (Danny) of Alpharetta, GA and Stacy Hembree (Brian) of Winder, GA; two sons, Pete Freeman (Lee Anne) of Alpharetta, GA and (stepson) Ryan Saltamacchio (Heather) of Loganville, GA; brother, David E. Brandt of Belmont, NC; 8 grandchildren: Christopher NeSmith, Brandt Freeman (Rebecca), Madison Freeman (Ryan), McClain Suttles (Cason), Avery Lucas, Noah Lucas, Makayla Saltamacchio and Lauren Saltamacchio; 1 great grandchild, Graycen Laine; and many other relatives and friends. She is also survived by her beloved Shih Tzu, Samie.

A Celebration of Her Life will be held, Saturday, September 25, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at McCommons Chapel, 109 W. Broad Street, Greensboro, GA 30642 with Rev. Michael Wells officiating. The family will receive friends from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation (cholangiocarcinoma.org) in Brenda's memory. McCommons Funeral Home, 109 W. Broad St., Greensboro, GA, (706) 453-2626, is in charge of arrangements. Visit us at www.mccommonsfuneralhome.com to sign the online guest register.

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