

Casket Bearers

Michael Pickett
Chris Gathings

Regis Andrez
Josh Lesley

Jason Bell
Perry Andrez

Acknowledgements

The family of Leslie Ann Sanchez Bell would like to express thanks for the overflowing joy and love that we are experiencing in our hearts. Because of all the acts of love you have shown to us in this time of our lives.



Interment

Itasca City Cemetery
Itasca, Texas



Final Arrangements Entrusted To



Crosier - Pearson Cleburne
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Celebrating the Life of

Leslie Ann Sanchez Bell

Sunrise

July 1st, 1958

Sunset

August 18th, 2024

Sunday, August 25th, 2024

3:00 P.M.

Emmanuel Seventh-day Adventist Church

1111 Boone Street Cleburne, Texas

Pastor Calvin Watkins, II ~ Officiant

Pastor Billy Wright ~ Eulogist



*When I must leave you
for a little while
Please do not grieve
and shed wild tears
and hug your sorrow
to you through the years*



*Start out bravely
with a gallant smile
and for my sake
and in my name,
live on and do
all things the same*



*Feed not your loneliness
on empty days,
but fill each waking hour
in useful ways*



*Reach out your hand
in comfort and cheer,
and I in turn
will comfort you
and hold you near*



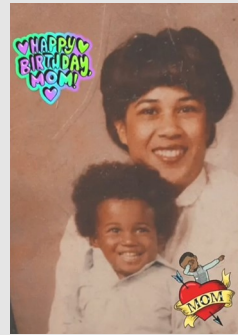
*Never, never
be afraid to die,
For I am waiting
for you in the sky*

Helen Steiner Rice





I never wanted to leave your side. I was a true mama's boy till the end, you were an amazing mother and even better friend.



Heaven Couldn't Wait For You
Forever Loved, Never Forgotten,
Always In Our Hearts

Delina and Tori



Leslie Bell was bigger than life to me. She raised me as her own son and made sure I did not want or need anything growing up. One of my favorite memories was my senior year in high school. We had a track meet in Burlison and it was freezing cold that morning. It was so cold that she and Mrs. Newby were covered up by the high jump mats by the shot put rink. She had worked all day the day before and I think she picked up a shift at the hospital that night before the track meet. Coming straight from working the night before she was at the track meet all day supporting me. I know she was running on little to no sleep but I knew she was there because she loved me and wanted to see my success. She was the hardest worker I know who always found time for family and friends. I was blessed for her to take me in and raise me as her son. She always introduced me as her youngest son Regis without hesitation. She was truly loved and will be greatly missed.

Regis



Obituary



Leslie passed away Sunday, August 18, 2024 in Cleburne. She was born July 1, 1958 in Queens, New York. She was the daughter of Winfield and Rosita (Andrez) Sanchez. In 2008, Leslie married her beloved husband, James Edmond Bell, in Cleburne. Leslie's journey in nursing began right after high school, although life took her on various paths before she returned to complete her education. After a decade, she pursued nursing school at night, graduating as a Registered Nurse in 2006. An accomplished Registered Nurse, Leslie dedicated her career to the medical field, with significant roles in the OBGYN department and home health care. She culminated her professional journey as the Charge Nurse at Walls Hospital in Cleburne, where her passion for helping others shone brightly. Throughout her life, Leslie demonstrated a generous and welcoming spirit. She cherished her family, embracing all her children as her

own and delighting in the company of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Leslie had a deep appreciation for the little joys in life, enjoying cowboy westerns, especially "Bonanza" and "The Rifleman," and relishing her favorite pina coloda slushies. A committed member of the Emmanuel Seventh-day Adventist Church, for over 40 years. Leslie served as a deaconess and was actively involved in church activities, reflecting her unwavering faith, which was of great importance to her. Her commitment to her profession was evident, as she often balanced multiple jobs while ensuring she remained actively involved with her loved ones, while never missing sporting events, concerts, or activities for her children. Her compassion extended beyond her family; she was known for her kindness, often opening her home to those in need.

Leslie will be remembered not only as a skilled nurse but as a healer of souls and a kind-hearted individual who touched the lives of many. She will be dearly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Survivors include her husband of 16 years, James Bell; sons, Michael Pickett, Regis Andrez and wife, Melissa, Jason Bell and wife, Tiffan William-Bell, and James Darden; Myles Pickett and seven other grandchildren; sisters, Paula De LaRosa, and Michelle Robinson; nieces, Delina Robinson, and Tori Johnson; nephew, Perry Andrez; along with a host of other relatives, friends, and her church family.

Leslie was preceded in death by her parents; and uncle, Jose Andrez.

Order of Celebration

<i>Prelude</i>	<i>Oliver James</i>
<i>Processional</i>	<i>Clergy, Pallbearers</i>
<i>Hymn of Hope</i>	<i>"Lift Up the Trumpet".....Congregation</i>
<i>Prayer of Comfort</i>	<i>Pastor Willie Johnson</i>
<i>Scripture</i>	
<i>Old Testament</i>	<i>"Psalm 121".....Raymond Bevins</i>
<i>New Testament</i>	<i>"2 Timothy 4: 7-8".....Marvel Jenkins</i>
<i>Musical Selection</i>	<i>"His Eye Is on the Sparrow".....Isolde Bell</i>
<i>Resloution(s)</i>	<i>Brenda Green</i>
<i>Life's Reflection</i>	<i>Read Silently</i>
<i>Remarks</i>	<i>(2 minutes max)</i>
<i>Musical Selection</i>	<i>"My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord".....Oliver James</i>
<i>Eulogy</i>	<i>Pastor Billy Wright</i>
<i>Final Earthly Glimpse</i>	<i>Funeral Directors in Charge</i>
<i>Tribute in Song</i>	<i>"When We All get to Heaven".....Congregation</i>
<i>Recessional of the Funeral Cortege</i>	<i>Clergy, Pallbearers</i>
<i>Postlude</i>	<i>Oliver James</i>