

Her Journey's Just Begun



Don't think of her as gone away,
 her journey's just begun,
 life holds so many facets,
 this earth is only one...
 Just think of her as resting
 from the sorrows and the tears
 in a place of warmth and comfort
 where there are no days and years.
 Think how she must be wishing
 that we could know today
 how nothing but our sadness
 can really pass away.
 And think of her as living
 in the hearts of those she touched...
 for nothing loved is ever lost
 and she was loved so much.

Order of Service

September 9, 2022 | 3:00pm
 Pipkin Braswell Funerals And Cremations
 6601 E. Colfax Avenue Denver, Colorado
 Pastor Reginald Holmes Eulogist & Officiant

Processional.....Mariah Carey Recording
 "Bye Bye"
 Parting Memories.....Pipkin Braswell Director
 Selection.....TuPac Recording
 "Life Goes On"
 Comfort from Scripture.....Minister
 Old Testament ~ New Testament
 Prayer of Solace.....Minister
 Selection.....Wiz Khalifa Recording
 "See You Again"
 Acknowledgements, Condolences & Obituary
 Pipkin Braswell Funerals and Cremations
 Video Tribute
 Family Tributes
 Honoring Leann.....Two-Minute Expressions
 Selection.....Shaggy FT. Rayvon Recording
 "Angel"
 Leann's Story.....Pastor Reginald Holmes
 Pipkin Braswell Directors
 "It's So Hard To Say Goodbye"
 Committal Prayer Benediction
 Recessional.....Amanda Perez Recording
 "Angel"

Honorary Pallbearers

Isiah Gifford Kyle Reynolds Cion Henderson
 DeQuann Pugh Brandon Barlow JahCion Cameron
 Sean Henderson Carlos Bailey

Private Cremation
 Denver, Colorado

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, Or sat quietly in a chair.
 Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, If so we saw it there.
 Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, That anyone could say.
 Perhaps you were not there at all, Just thought of us that day.
 Whatever you did to console our hearts, We thank you so much
 whatever the part... **The Family of Leann Nicole Grifford**

The Family Received Personal Care from the Staff of

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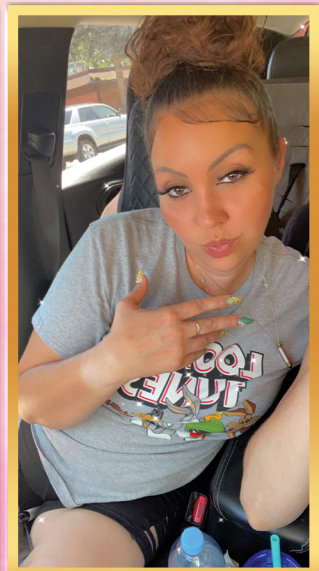
Leann's STORY



On December 31, 1983, a beautiful baby girl, Leann Nicole Gifford, entered the world. Born in Denver, Colorado, to her loving mother, Maria, and her loving father, William, Leann was a very happy baby, full of light and life. Leann was the 3rd child born in the family, and she was raised surrounded by the love of her siblings, Gage, Alisha, and Jennifer, and both of her parents.

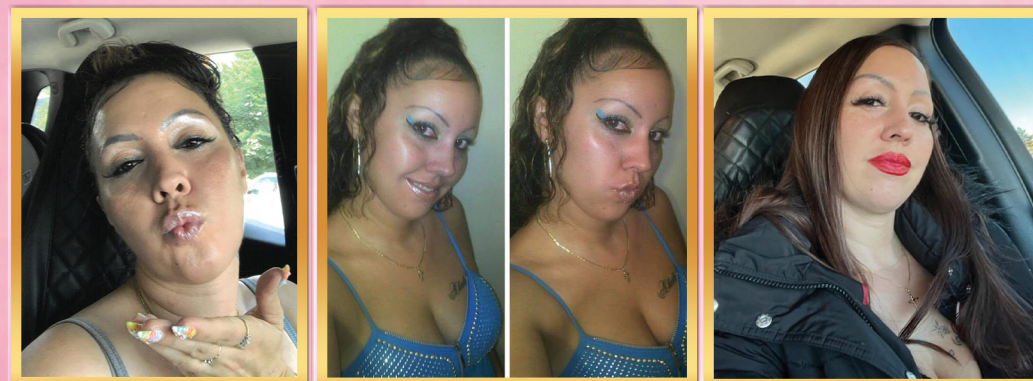
As a child, Leann loved to play with all the neighborhood kids. Like all neighborhood children, Leann enjoyed several outside activities and hobbies. Some of her favorite activities ranged from riding bikes, roller skating, and driving go-carts. A fond memory that her family remembers is when Leann thought she was so cool, driving one of the cars at their father's shop. She could barely see over the steering wheel but would not hesitate to hop in one of those cars and sneak drive around. As a family, Leann and her siblings loved going to Fellon Park in the mountains and the many other family outings, trips, and family activities they did together.

Leann received her formal elementary, middle, and high school education in Denver, Colorado. As a young woman, Leann had a wonderful personality and understood what it meant to be confident and unapologetically who God created her to be. It would be this same level of confidence, positive attitude, and belief in herself that would carry over into her adult years and allow her to pursue the path that she believed God had laid out for her life.



By profession, Leann was a self-contractor. She worked for Spic-n-Span, and she also owned and operated her own business. Leann was loved by her co-workers, and so many of her colleagues have vocalized how lovely it was to work alongside her. Leann was not just a co-worker to those she worked with. She was a great trainer, loved seeing others succeed at their roles, and would go out of her way to ensure the people she worked with felt her love. If someone was having a tough day, she was someone to put a smile on your face and let you know that there is a brighter day ahead. In the words of her co-workers, "Leann, this is going to be very hard for all of us. Keep watching over us, beautiful Angel!"

Later in life, Leann met her companion and the love of her life, Brandon Barlow. The two met at a get-together at her sister's house and immediately hit it off. The two shared many wonderful days and happy memories to last a lifetime. Leann was the mother of six wonderful children. Her children, Isaiah, Kyle, A'Keila, Cion, Ac'Queen, and Braylon, were a tremendous source of happiness and joy in her life. Her son Isaiah will always remember how much his mother changed when he came back around. Her son Kyle will always remember when he was at his aunt Jennifer's for his birthday, and she got him his own PS3. Her daughter A'Keila will always remember vibing in the car with the music blasting, singing at the top of her lungs, and laughing with her mom. Cion will always remember catching the bus downtown to 16th street mall to watch a movie. Ac'Queen will always remember the videos her mother took of her when she was a baby and couldn't talk. Braylon will always remember playing Nintendo switch at the house with mommy. All these memories and more they will hold in their hearts for the rest of their lives.



In her spare time, Leann enjoyed listening to music, a good BBQ, and being out and about. She also enjoyed movies and outdoor activities. Leann loved spending time with her family, and there wasn't anything she wouldn't do to make sure they were ok. Leann never hesitated to care for those she loved, and she would be there whenever they needed her. Leann was the life of the party, never hesitated to put a smile on the face of others or make them laugh, and there wasn't a dare that she wouldn't do. Leann had a heart of gold, would go out of her way to help anybody, and if there was something she couldn't resolve herself for you, she would help you find a resolution. A beautiful, respectful woman with her shiny Amber-like eyes, pearly white teeth, infectious laughter, fierce attitude, and captivating style, Leann was truly an angel here on earth and will be sorely missed by all she crossed paths with.

"A memory lasts forever and never does it die; true love stays together and never says goodbye."

On August 20, 2022, Leann Nicole Gifford answered the call of the Lord and traded her earthly home for her mansion in glory. Those left to cherish her memory and carry on her legacy of love include her Mother, Maria Ogden of Denver, Colorado; Father, William Gifford of Denver, Colorado; her Children, Isaiah, Kyle, A'Keila, Cion, Ac'Queen, and Braylon, all of Denver, Colorado; her Companion, Brandon Barlow of Denver, Colorado; her Sisters, Alisha Gifford and Jennifer Gifford of Denver, Colorado; her Grandmother, Marie of Denver, Colorado, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, colleagues and many, many friends.

