



Nina Cameron

May 30, 1944 - November 7, 2021

Gainesville- Nina Cameron, age 77, passed away unexpectedly on November 7, 2021, following complications from a surgery. Nina was born on May 30, 1944, in Gainesville, Florida, the daughter of William and Francis Kessler.

Nina was a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother. She taught dance in Gainesville from 1969 until she passed. She was the owner of The Cameron Dancer and the founding Artistic Director of The Danscompany of Gainesville, both established in 1983. Nina was a member of Florida Dance Masters and held many leadership positions, including president. She was a faculty member for the State Dance Association and a member of the Jazz Dance World Congress. Nina also was a dance teacher and choreographer for the Walt Disney World grand opening in 1971. In 2007 and in 2013, the City of Gainesville and Alachua County awarded her The Lifetime Achievement award, and declared a day in her name. Nina was honored in 2007 by Santa Fe College with the Woman of Distinction Award.

Nina was a dedicated teacher and student of dance attending workshops all over the country each year. She was a brilliant choreographer, mentor, and inspiration to many. Nina was predeceased by her parents. She is survived by her loving and dedicated husband of 58 years, Dickie Cameron; her sons Rickie Cameron and his wife Liz of Canton, Georgia; Britton Cameron and his wife Tamara of Kingston Springs, Tennessee; three grandchildren, Chelsea Cameron, Kessler Cameron, and Kaleb Cameron; two sisters, Debbie Diggs and her husband Hal; Cindy Erlandson and her husband Paul; and a brother, William J. Kessler, Jr. and his wife Elizabeth.

Nina will be missed as a wife, mother, grandmother, sister, friend to many, and pillar of the community. She touched thousands of lives with her teaching, artistry, and her passion and love of dance. Her legacy will live on through her children, grandchildren, The Dancer, and Danscompany.

A Service of Remembrance will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 20th at Phillips Center for the Performing Arts of Gainesville, 3201 Hull Rd, Gainesville, FL 32611. Rev. Myra Monroe Carr will officiate. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery, 401 SE 21st Ave, Gainesville. The family appreciates flowers or donations can be made to the Scholarship Fund of the Cameron Dancer or The Danscompany of Gainesville, 5003

NW 34th Blvd., Gainesville.

A Celebration of Life will be held in the Spring.

Cemetery

Evergreen Cemetery

401 SE 21st Avenue
Gainesville, FL, 32641

Events

NOV 20 **Service of Remembrance** 01:00PM

Phillips Center of Performing Arts
3201 Hull Rd, Gainesville, FL, US, 32611

Comments



“ Mary Beth lit a candle in memory of Nina Cameron



Mary Beth - November 19, 2021 at 07:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nina Cameron.



November 19, 2021 at 07:08 PM



“ Edwin and Gaile Holland, Miami, Florida purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Nina Cameron.



Edwin and Gaile Holland, Miami, Florida - November 19, 2021 at 05:52 AM



“ With Love, The Fishers purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nina Cameron.



With Love, The Fishers - November 18, 2021 at 11:14 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Nina Cameron.



November 18, 2021 at 03:23 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nina Cameron.



November 18, 2021 at 02:26 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nina Cameron.



November 16, 2021 at 05:28 PM



“ Nina was a cherished and treasured friend for 40 years. She was an exemplary woman in every way- loving, caring, giving and so very creative and talented. She was loved by so many people. I am so saddened by her passing . We have lost a wonderful woman but heaven has gained a beautiful Angel. I love the family she left behind like my own. Rest In Peace my dear friend.

Melissa Gerhardt - November 15, 2021 at 06:33 PM



“ Dickie, I am so sorry for your loss, you and the family are in my thoughts and prayers. There is a huge hole in all of our hearts. I know her absence will be felt for a very long time by so many people, she was loved by so many. I just want it acknowledge that Nina gave so many girls and boys a place to belong, a place that was safe, where they could express themselves and be nurtured in their love for dance. It never mattered to Nina if you didn't have the perfect dance body, if you had a love for dance or wanted to learn she opened her arms to all.

Gina Cunningham

Gina Cunningham - November 15, 2021 at 10:08 AM



“ She gave my daughter and now my granddaughter the gift of loving dance and the joy that it brings. What a wonderful legacy. We are all so very grateful. Kirsten Rutenberg

Kirsten Rutenberg - November 14, 2021 at 01:16 PM



“ Nina was a cherished and treasured friend for 40 years. I share the family and communities sadness in losing her. But I feel blessed to have shared her amazing life and to know and love the beautiful family she left behind. Rest In Peace dear Nina. I love you and miss you so very much.

Melissa Gerhardt - November 15, 2021 at 06:20 PM



“ Dee Williams Watson lit a candle in memory of Nina Cameron



Dee Williams Watson - November 11, 2021 at 09:38 PM