



## Laura Pettie

August 25, 1944 - May 31, 2020

Laura Janette “Jan” Pettie, 75, of Hamden, CT died peacefully after a 15 year battle with cancer on Sunday, May 31, 2020. Jan was born on August 25, 1944 in Reidsville, NC to the late Sydney and Sarah Hooker. She graduated from Booker T. Washington High School and attended Bethume-Cookman College and Gateway Community College. Jan was retired from SNET and Southern Connecticut State University.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by two older brothers, Sydney Hooker, Jr. of Reidsville, NC and William Dallas, Sr. of Danville, VA. and a sister Rosa Blackwell of Pelham, NC.

Jan was known for her work as PTA President at Jackie Robinson Middle School and Hamden-New Haven Cooperative High School. She also served as the first Chairperson of the Trustee Board at Community Baptist Church in New Haven. Later she joined Immanuel Baptist Church as concentrated her efforts in the Church’s soup kitchen. This love to serve spilled over to opening her home every Sunday to feed the Yale Divinity students that were studying away from home.

Jan had a love for travel and came to support Historically Black Colleges and Universities by partying with a purpose. She could be found annually attending the Tom Joyner Fantastic Voyage Cruise. Whether selling flowers or

hand painting and selling figurines, Jan was always in the community.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her baby sister Sarah Hooker of Reidsville, NC.; her daughter, Valerie Cooper of Hamden, CT; son, Mark Pettie of Tallahassee, FL; four grandchildren, Daesha Ross of Tallahassee, FL, Janelle Cooper of Hamden, CT, Quintin Pettie of New Haven, CT and Mayland Pettie of Middletown, CT; and two great grandchildren, Sebastian and Coraline Ross of Tallahassee, FL as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friend.

We lift our hearts in praise  
Without a doubt we'll know  
That we have been revived  
When we shall leave this place

# Tribute Wall



“ *Laura Pettie*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. I have good memories of Jan and my "angel" she made for my new home. SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY. BECKY FORD.*



**Rebecca Ford** - July 02, 2020 at 05:53 PM



“ *Ms. Pettie will be Truly missed as i am up early getting ready to cook on this Friday morning she would always follow my post and call me for a Dinner. Rest on my Sister and Educator who enjoyed life to the Fullest even being sick she still wanted to do for herself as much as she can. Her smile and Sassy sense of Humor will live on RIP now no more pain you will forever be Truly missed. Love you and your Entire Family. Valerie and Mark we are Family. Remember Blood makes you Kin But Loyalty Makes you Family*



**Kenneth Ransome** - June 19, 2020 at 07:12 AM

SG

“ *Sharyn L. Grant lit a candle in memory of Laura Pettie*



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**Sharyn L. Grant** - June 12, 2020 at 09:44 AM

SG

“ *Val and family, I am in shock...today June 12th I just saw that your mom had passed. Ms. Pettie as I called her was one of my church family members. I no longer attend Immanual, however the last time I saw your mom we discussed our health issues. I pray her transition was peaceful and I pray comfort and strength for all of you and may God continue to com ffg or your hearts...*

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**Sharyn L. Grant** - June 12, 2020 at 09:43 AM

WB

*My condolences to you and family*

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**Willie Burroughs** - June 21, 2020 at 07:12 PM

PH

“ *Pat Hooker lit a candle in memory of Laura Pettie*



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**Pat Hooker** - June 10, 2020 at 02:47 PM

RW

“ Our heartfelt condolences go out to the children and family of Jan. Jan was a SNET buddy of my mom, Clara Lawhorn and a book mate of mine in Soul Passages: A Book Club. She will be truly missed by all. May she Rest In Peace.

*Clara Lawhorn and Robin Wilson*

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**Robin Wilson** - June 09, 2020 at 08:37 PM

SB

“ My condolences to her family and friends! May God Bless and Keep her Loved ones during this time of sorrow. 🙏🙏🙏

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**Shelby Burroughs** - June 08, 2020 at 05:30 PM

SB

“ Shelby Burroughs lit a candle in memory of Laura Pettie



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**Shelby Burroughs** - June 08, 2020 at 05:28 PM

GS

“ Wishing you Peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. I worked with Jan at 2 Science Park. Upon retiring from SNET she worked at SCSU and she loved being there.

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**gloria sampson** - June 07, 2020 at 11:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Laura Pettie.*



June 07, 2020 at 06:55 PM



“ *i Especially remember mother Pettie on Sunday mornings at community Baptist with her warm welcome and appreciation of visitors. She was always a tall fearless woman with tenacity, determined to assist and nurture young people on their journey. She will be greatly missed. My prayers and condolences to the Pettie family and loved ones.. :Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning." Tony Burroughs & Family.*

**Tony Burroughs** - June 06, 2020 at 10:03 PM

GS

*Peace and Comfort to the Family . Remembering Janet from Community Baptist Church. Ms. Savage*

**Geraldine Savage** - June 10, 2020 at 06:08 PM



“ *Sarah E Weeks sent a virtual gift in memory of Laura Pettie*



**Sarah E Weeks** - June 06, 2020 at 10:18 AM

SA

“ Val and family. I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. My memories of her are of a vibrant woman, a do-er and one who traveled and enjoyed life. God keep and comfort you during this time. Love, Sandra Carter Brown

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**Sandra** - June 06, 2020 at 07:22 AM

TD

“ To Val and family,  
I am at a lost for words  
may you find comfort during this difficult time  
know that your mom " was the life of a party"  
knowing her 40 years, rehabbed with her...My God  
you are in my prayers

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**Towanna Duncan** - June 05, 2020 at 02:58 PM

PN

“ Val and family....very sorry for your loss.



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**Paula Nixon** - June 05, 2020 at 01:27 PM