



## Dawn Swailes

September 16, 1946 - August 4, 2022

Dawn Swailes, 75, entered into eternal life with Jesus on August 4, 2022. Dawn was a godly woman who loved the Lord and her family; and set an example for her children and grandchildren that will lead them all their lives.

The daughter of the late Harry Leroy Applegate and Florence Esther Kuhn Applegate, she was born on September 16, 1946, in Monticello, New York.

Dawn loved her Savior, the Lord Jesus, with all her heart, and she loved God's Word. She made Him the focus of her life, determined to glorify Him in whatever she did. Colossians 3:23 explains her work ethic, her moral standards, and her love for family and friends. "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human matters".

Dawn married the love of her life, her soulmate and partner, Raymond Swailes on January 29, 1972. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year. They raised two beautiful gifts from God, Lori Ann, and Michelle Lynn.

Dawn was a homemaker and a child of God, who loved her children and grandchildren, arts & crafts, puzzles, and animals of all kinds. Dawn's determination, dignity, and grace was evident throughout her life.

She leaves behind many family members and friends that will miss her dearly.

Survivors include: her loving husband Raymond Swailes, Fruitland Park, FL; daughter Lori Fisher, Leesburg, FL; daughter Michelle Graves (husband Donnie), Fruitland Park, FL; sister Gloria Applegate, Roscoe, NY; brother Robert Applegate, Forestburgh, NY; grandchildren: Nicholas Fisher, Maxwell Fisher, Emily Graves, Erin Graves; and several nieces and nephews.

There will be a visiting hour at 10am on Saturday, August 13, 2022, followed by a Celebration of Life at 11am at Beyers Funeral Home, 134 N. US Highway 441, Lady Lake, FL. Interment will follow directly after the service at Lone Oak Cemetery Leesburg, FL. A gathering for family and friends will be at 12:30pm at Eagles Nest Baptist Church, 4650 Eagles Nest Rd., Fruitland Park, FL.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that bible donations be made to The Gideons International organization in memory of Dawn Swailes. Navigate to: <https://gideons.org/donate>

The Gideons International, P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, TN, 37214-0800,  
Phone: (615) 564-5000, Email: [tgi@gideons.org](mailto:tgi@gideons.org)

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.beyersfuneralhome/obituaries/Dawn-Swailes](http://www.beyersfuneralhome/obituaries/Dawn-Swailes). Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Lady Lake, Florida.

# Cemetery Details

## Lone Oak Cemetery

306 Thomas Avenue  
Leesburg, FL 34748

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory - Lady Lake  
134 N US Highway 441  
Lady Lake, FL 32159  
(352) 753-4444

## Celebration of Life Service

AUG 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dawn Swailes* ”



**Beyers Funeral Home** - August 08, 2022 at 02:38 PM

TG

*Lori and family so sorry for your loss. Family is in my prayers.*

**Tina Goddard** - August 15, 2022 at 08:59 AM



“ *Love from The Cunningham's <3* ”



**Chelsea Cunningham** - August 08, 2022 at 12:27 PM

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“ *Carolyn Schultz lit a candle in memory of Dawn Swailes* ”



**Carolyn Schultz** - August 07, 2022 at 05:05 PM

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“ *Debra Reuss lit a candle in memory of Dawn Swailes*



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**Debra Reuss** - August 06, 2022 at 10:27 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dawn Swailes.*



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August 06, 2022 at 11:22 AM

JK

“ *Ray, Lori, Michelle and family I'm so sorry for your loss. Aunt Dawn was a very caring woman. I can remember when we grew up and spent time at Grandmas house Dawn would always take care of all us kids, wether we needed to be fed or a band aid or whatever. She always made sure everybody was taken care of before her. Always upbeat and positive and her family was her world.  
Hugs to all of you!*

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**Joe Van Keuren** - August 06, 2022 at 08:14 AM

MS

“ I'm so sorry, Lori, Michelle, Ray and all of Dawn's family.

*The pictures you put online are a pleasure to see. They remind me of how Dawn was so smiley, and laughed easily. She'd make funny little comments that would give everyone a chuckle. But if you were going through something hard, she'd cry right there with you. It happened to me one time, and Ray put his arm around her and said "That's my girl." She always wanted the best for others. Dawn was so generous with her kindness, encouragement, and faithful, prayerful friendship. It was always uplifting to be with her. I believe that kind of love and friendship stays in your heart forever. Very grateful for her.*

*Melissa Seaton*

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**Melissa Seaton** - August 05, 2022 at 08:42 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album Mom



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**Lori A Fisher** - August 05, 2022 at 09:32 AM

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*Love the photos, she was a sweet lady. God Bless the family.*

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**Carolyn Schultz** - August 07, 2022 at 05:07 PM



*“ I will never forget spending time with Dawn when her grandsons and my son were in the band together. Going to football games and volunteering were always fun when Dawn was there. She will be missed. Lovely lady for sure!*

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**Laurie Johnston** - August 05, 2022 at 09:30 AM



*“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Dawn Swailes.*



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August 05, 2022 at 09:26 AM