



Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff

January 17, 1934 - April 28, 2021

In loving Memory

Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff departed this life on April 28, 2021, at the age of 87. Bahieh's husband, Don Biggerstaff, and her children greatly miss her gentle, loving presence, as do her five siblings, fourteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She and Don met and married in Iran in 1975 after she had been a widower for 10 years. They moved to Texas, where he is from, a few years later.

Bahieh had a deep and profound attachment to the beautiful teachings of the Baha'i Faith, which her family espoused. She epitomized the words, "the breath of the Holy Spirit is felt in all hearts that are faithful". Her heart was faithful and her intentions were pure, to love and honor all those around her. Each beloved friend felt the warm embrace of her affectionate presence. Her love encircled all.

She is survived by her husband, Don Biggerstaff; her children, Soraya Yamartino and husband, David; Shahla Heath and husband, Mark; Tahereh Gerling and husband, Philippe; Mahshid Van Oevelen and husband, Tom and Masoud Golbarani and wife, Shiva. A daughter, Shahnaz Meidani, preceded her in death and is survived by husband, Iraj. Bahieh is also survived by her stepchildren, Greg Biggerstaff and wife, Dawn; Gary Biggerstaff and wife, Beth and Joey Biggerstaff and wife, Cindy. A stepson, Abdu'l-Rahman Golbarani, preceded her in death and is survived by wife, Pooran. Bahieh is also survived by sisters, Vahideh Salimi and Pooran Moser Salimi; and brothers, Hossein Salimi, Koorosh Salimi, and Mehdi Salimi.

Cemetery

Events

Mount Olivet Cemetery

2301 North Sylvania
Avenue
Fort Worth, TX, 76111

MAY **Funeral** 02:30PM - 03:30PM

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MOUNT OLIVET CHAPEL - Greenwood Funeral Homes
and Cremation
South Hwy. 281 & FM 3072, Las Milpas, TX 78577, Pharr,
TX, US, 78577

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Greenwood Funeral Homes and Cremation - May 03 at 02:18 PM



“ We Love and pray for you for ever our dearly beloved Ms. B !
Roya & Kambiz

Roya & Kambiz - May 03 at 03:40 PM



“ Dearest Soraya, Shahla, Tahirih, Mahshid, Masoud, and the family,

Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the passing of your dear mother. May you find strength to bear this loss through His grace and bounty and be assured of her happiness in the Abhá Kingdom.

I will be praying for the progress of her dear soul in the Realms above.

With my deepest love and sympathy,

Flora Meidani Allen

Flora Allen - May 03 at 04:11 PM



“ We love her very much, thank you for sharing this beautiful service with us. We will miss her tremendously.

Shiva and Shahriar Sahba

shiva Sahba - May 03 at 04:13 PM



“ Please accept our sincere condolences, it was our greatest pleaser to know your beloved Mom. May God bless her beautiful soul!

Much love,

Parastoo, Farid, Tarra and Tiana

Parastoo & Farid Shamsipour - May 03 at 04:14 PM



“ We would like to extend our deepest condolences to your family for the passing of this extraordinary woman. It was a beautiful service and we thank you for allowing us to be a part of it.

With love,

Farnoosh and Farhad

Farnoosh Sabetpour - May 03 at 04:16 PM



“ We pray for our Lord's comfort and peace for you during your time of grief, dear brother,

Jim & Mary Perry - May 03 at 04:17 PM



“ A beautiful and befitting memorial for a wonderful person. I express my sincere condolences to her loving family. I will always remember her kindness, generosity, pure heart and her beautiful face. May God bless her noble soul.

Fae Allums - May 03 at 04:21 PM



“ Dear Don, we were touched by the love and generosity of B. She will be greatly missed. We thank the Lord for all the years of love she shared with you and your family. Sympathy from Brazil

Cynthia - May 03 at 04:24 PM



“ We love you so much Maman Bahieh and will miss your kind and radiant face. May your soul rejoice and soar through all the worlds of God. You will be in our hearts and prayers until we meet again.

Roya, Kambiz, Shaadi and Shamil Khademi

Roya Khademi - May 03 at 04:31 PM



“ We offer our sincere prayers and supplication for the progress of her soul in all the celestial worlds of spirits .

Mona and Farshid tashakor

Farshid Tashakor - May 03 at 04:53 PM



“ Mashid Joon, I'm truly sorry for your loss, I would like to offer you and your family our deepest and most sincere condolences and may the soul of your mother Rest In Peace..

Con mucho cariño Edgar y Nelly

Nelly - May 03 at 09:08 PM



“ روحشان شاد
فرشید میدانی

Farshid Meidany - May 04 at 08:50 AM



“ Dearest Don. Soraya, Tahereh, Mahshid and Masoud,

It was a befitting funeral and memorial service for your beloved wife and mother.

We will always remember her with beautiful memories.

May God bless her soul and give you strength to go through this loss.

Love,

Farshid Meidany

Farshid Meidany - May 04 at 09:16 AM



“ Such a beautiful memorial!

Dennis McGregor - May 09 at 04:03 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.
Continue to rely on God and know that he hears your prayers, because he cares for you. Thinking of you all.

Evans family - May 10 at 04:32 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Melodys' Tribute April28_2021



Masoud Golbarani - May 04 at 03:41 PM



“ The second song on this tribute video is “ I am the Royal Falcon” by Shadi Toloui- Wallace from the writings of the Bahai Faith and the Words are:

He that hath Me not is bereft of all things. Turn ye away from all that is on earth and seek none else but Me. I am the Sun of Wisdom and the Ocean of Knowledge. I cheer the faint and revive the dead. I am the guiding Light that illumineth the way. I am the Royal Falcon on the arm of the Almighty. I unfold the drooping wings of every broken bird and start it on its flight ... -Bahá'u'lláh

Masoud - May 04 at 04:20 PM



“ Beautiful tribute.

Dennis McGregor - May 09 at 04:11 PM



“ i met Bea several times with my dear friend, Don, her wonderful husband. she had a very sweet light in her eyes, & Don & Bea had long, faithful, happy marriage for which i thank God again!! ;) God bless you, protect you in this celebration of her life! sandra toothaker attebry

sandra attebry - May 04 at 12:51 PM



“ Dear Don, Tahirih, Soraya, Shahla, Mahsheed, and Masoud

I was deeply saddened this morning when the news of dear Bahieh's passing reached me through a mutual friend. Please accept my deepest condolences on behalf of the Mosleh family.

I was already in the US and not in Iran when Bahieh and her family moved to Daroos. So, I never knew her and her family until 1981 when I accompanied my parents for the wedding of Mahsheed in Ft Worth. What a wonderful and loving soul.

From the moment of our arrival the family's warm greeting and wonderful hospitality during our stay were the best. The next opportunity didn't come along until fall 2003 during a chance meeting at the Baha'i Conference in Nashville, TN.

Bahieh was loved by many and will remain in their hearts forever. Rest in eternal peace.

Peace

Shahrokh Mosleh

Shahrokh Mosleh - May 03 at 05:25 PM



“ Bahieh loved and was loved by all who knew her. Cheryl & Joe Pullis

Joe Pullis - May 03 at 04:14 PM



“ Ellie Kourosh is following this tribute.

Ellie Kourosh - May 03 at 03:37 PM



“ Prayers for her soul's ascension and to all the family. It's not lost on me her ascension happened on the 9th day of Ridvan. She is in true paradise!

Dennis McGregor - May 09 at 03:24 PM



“ Today Funeral will be held for my beloved aunt Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff in Forth Worth Texas. She was love of our lives. Her memory will remain with us for ever. Thank you for being our aunt and thank you for everything you did for us.

Masood Namazi - May 03 at 02:58 PM



“ Dearest Mahshid, Masoud, Tahirih, Shala, Soraya and families,

We would like to extend our deepest condolences for the passing of your beloved mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother. She was such an enlightened soul, so beautiful, so kind and gentle, so gracious and faithful. May her blessed and luminous soul traverse the realms above. May she be blessed and protected by the Almighty. We have so many fond memories of her. She was loved and admired by all of us, and we know that she will be sadly missed.

With our deepest love and sympathy.

Poran, Farahnaz, Farahbod, Fariba, Farahshid, Fresia, and our families

Fariba Rawhani - May 03 at 02:22 PM



“ Dear Don,

We would like to extend our deepest condolences to you for the passing of your beloved wife, a woman of extraordinary capacity and elegance. We can only imagine how very sad this must be for you. We pray that she be blessed and protected. Our love and prayers are with you.

Fariba, Enayat and Anisa

Fariba Rawhani - May 03 at 02:15 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 03 at 01:14 PM



“ Sending our heartfelt condolences during this difficult time. She will be so dearly missed . You all are in our prayers.

Carolyn &Family

Carolyn Sanchez - May 03 at 11:55 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your time of grief.

-Angelica Mendoza and Family.



Angelica Mendoza - May 03 at 11:48 AM



“ With love: Ketty, Nelly, Marjorie and Cynthia purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



With love: Ketty, Nelly, Marjorie and Cynthia - May 03 at 11:35 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 03 at 07:54 AM



“ I remember her kind face and welcoming embrace every single time we crossed from the time I was a little child playing in their house in Bandar Abbas to the last time I saw her beautiful face at the conference in Austin - We will always remember her, May her beautiful soul soar in Abha Kingdom in eternal joy - My heartfelt prayers and love to all family, dear Masoud, Tahereh, Shahla, Soraya, Mahsheed and Mohsen



Sonbol Taefi - May 03 at 07:21 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 02 at 10:55 PM



“ Dearest Maman Bahieh was like our second mom or a loving aunt. She was a spiritual giant. She was so gentle and humble, and made everyone feel comfortable and safe in her presence. I never saw her lose her temper even though I know many hardships had befallen her. Her unwavering faith and reliance in God was an example for all of us to follow. She was the kindest, most gentle, forgiving, generous, and pure hearted person I met in my life. We pray that her beloved soul be embraced in God's love and mercy, and soaring in the Abha Kingdom. We feel so blessed to have had her in our lives, and since our bonds of friendship was founded on spiritual qualities, I know that our connection and friendship will continue eternally. I pray that she will continue to inspire and guide us from the realm above. Maman Bahieh we love you so much and will miss seeing your radiant face, but we will continue in your path until we meet again.

Roya, Kambiz, Shaadi and Shamil Khademi

Roya Khademi - May 02 at 09:25 PM



“ Majestic Heart was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 02 at 09:17 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 02 at 07:45 PM



“ Don, you and Bahieh were a joy to be around when our Friday morning group got together to share meals that included each of our wives for a special dinner. I know she has been a great part of your life along with all the family times together. There were times she was a great help when you were hurting and you too were always looking out for her. You and your family are in our prayers. Stephen and Brooke Moose

Stephen Moose - May 02 at 06:07 PM



“ A few days ago, dear Bahieh took her flight to her Heavenly Home on the Ninth Day of Ridván, released from the pains and worries of her earthly life. She left this world while calling her Maker and was surrounded by her beloved husband, her daughter and son in law.

On behalf of Don and the family, please allow me to express our gratitude for your presence today, whether physically or virtually, in many places around the world.

Each of us remembers dearest Bahieh because of some words she said or did not say, or some action she took. All messages received from near and far testified that she was a most angelic, caring, loving, devoted lady. She was not a person of many words but she lived her Faith by “being and doing”. It was unmistakably clear that dear Bahieh knew how to make wise decisions and she would not flinch when challenges came her way. Early in her life she lost her mother and as eldest child dearly loved her younger siblings who returned her love. She was widowed as a young mother with six children and assumed the role of head of household when women were not expected to have this much responsibility or depended on a male figure to assume that role. Shortly after marrying Don they were forced to leave Iran forever with only the belongings they could carry. I cannot remember her ever expressing the slightest regret for the losses or hardships she suffered.

What you, what I, have experienced and observed over time, was Bahieh’s immense love for everyone, her dignified hospitality, her respect and kindness for all and the wisdom of her advice when it was sought. The nobility and generosity of her spirit was unmistakably guided by her strong faith in God.

As a Matriarch, she loved her husband, her children, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren without ever showing favoritism for any one of us. Each one felt a special bond with dearest Bahieh while all felt equally loved. In this too, Bahieh set an example for each of us to emulate.

Philippe F Gerling - May 02 at 12:05 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 02 at 11:11 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 01 at 11:28 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 01 at 10:47 PM



“ Tahereh and Philippe Gerling family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



Mahshid Golbarani - May 01 at 03:22 PM



“ Koorosh Salimi purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



Koorosh Salimi - May 01 at 02:35 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



May 01 at 02:34 PM



“ KOOROSH SALIMI purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Bahieh Salimi Biggerstaff.



KOOROSH SALIMI - May 01 at 02:26 PM