



Laura Nassar Ayoub

April 10, 1932 - December 31, 2021

Laura Nassar Ayoub was born on April 10, 1932 to Shaheen and Adele Nassar in the Ashrafieh suburb of Beirut, Lebanon. As the second youngest child among four brothers, she always held a special place in her father's heart. He often joked that if he had a scale, he would put Laura on one side and all four boys on the other. She attended Atshinak Evangelical School from kindergarten through high school and then Teacher Training School where she received her certification to become a teacher. While studying at Atshinak, on March 26, 1952, Laura and a group of her close friends put their faith in Christ as their Lord and Savior. She was born again as a new creation and spent the rest of her life serving God. After graduating, Laura returned to Atshinak to teach elementary school for five years. On July 6, 1957, she married Christo Ayoub and stopped teaching to dedicate her time to raising her children and serving in the church.

Laura and Christo had grown up together. His mother was a well-known seamstress in Lebanon and, when they were young children, Christo would sit next to his mother and sew with her. He once sewed a little coat which he said he made for Laura. From their youth, God was directing Laura's and Christo's lives toward one another. A year after their marriage, they welcomed their first daughter, Amal, and three years later they welcomed Mona. Their son, Mounir, and youngest daughter, Carol, followed.

In 1976, after the Lebanese Civil War began, Laura and her family relocated to Orange County, California. Laura and Christo joined Grace Bible Chapel where Laura spent her time teaching Sunday School for young children. In 2003, they opened their home to weekly meetings with members of the church where Laura hosted congregants and cared for their children while they fellowshiped together. Laura's passion for teaching, serving, and hosting touched everyone she met. She was a longstanding member of the Orange County Christian Women's Club for over 20 years where she hosted board meetings in her home, found baby sitters for young mothers, and baked delicious Lebanese desserts for fundraisers. Her dedication to serving and glorifying God impacted even strangers. Laura also supported her husband, Christo, in his ministry and evangelical work. He relied on her to proofread every issue of his magazine, Remember Your Creator, which evangelized and encouraged readers in both English and Arabic, before it would be sent out. Laura made it clear that her house would be open to anyone in need and her goal was to serve her family and brothers and sisters in Christ. She was also a notorious prayer warrior who inspired and encouraged others in their faith. Everything Laura did, she did for the glory of God.

Serving her family and the church was Laura's number one priority. Her selflessness and generosity were an example to everyone. Her attitude was always bright and optimistic, her smile infectious, no matter the circumstance. She was quick to laugh and quick to make even the heaviest of hearts lighter whether through a joke, an encouraging word, or food. Laura's cooking skills were famous among all who had the pleasure of sampling her food and she never grew tired of hosting God's servants, friends, family, and strangers. She brought people together with food and served them with joy. When she wasn't cooking, she could be found reading autobiographies, Christian books, and the local newspaper. Although she rarely had time to watch television, when she did, she would make sure to stay informed on current events and filled her time with Christian television programs. Above all, her faith and commitment

to serving others remained strong even through her last days. She evangelized nurses and doctors any chance she could and was always the perfect host.

Laura is survived by her husband Christo, her two daughters Amal Boland and Carol Sfeir, her daughter Mona and her husband Kamil Antonios and their three children Christine, Joseph, and Caitlin and Laura's son Mounir and his wife Antoinette and their children Christopher, Ryan and Matthew. Through God's goodness and mercy, we rest assured we will see Laura again in Heaven, rejoicing at the feet of her Savior Jesus Christ forever.

Cemetery Details

Memory Garden Memorial Park

455 W Central Ave
Brea, CA 92821

Tribute Wall



“ *Memory Garden Memorial Park & Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Laura Nassar Ayoub*



Memory Garden Memorial Park & Mortuary - January 14, 2022 at 08:08 PM

RT

Such beautiful pictures

Rosemary Taouil - January 18, 2022 at 09:38 PM

JS

We visited Christo and Laura many times and every time we were offered a drink and a Lebanese delicacy. She also made sure we were offered something from her box of chocolates. She always asked about other people and every time would say to us “How are the girls?”

She was a special lady who was always cheerful. She will be greatly missed.

John and Esther Spence

john spence - January 19, 2022 at 10:46 AM

SO

*Laura had the best smile! That video was such a wonderful tribute to her life and the perfect song! I always felt instant love when I entered their home and always offered a drink and a snack, she insisted! Thinking of the whole family at this time and especially her loving husband Christo❤️So BLESSED to have met you all and your family holds a special place in my heart!
Love Shauna Ochoa*

Shauna Ochoa - January 19, 2022 at 10:54 AM

FF

Auntie you left without me having the chance to say goodbye. I always hoped we d meet again but unfortunately we didn t - I miss your hug and your smile so so so much - I know you re in a better place now and I know you ll be praying for us all - I simply want to say I love you - you ve been a great mother and a wonderful wife and a very loving aunt - Ammo, Amal, Mona, Mounir and Carol are so blessed you were part of their lives - I too am blessed even though we pared while I was very young - but then we met a few years later and we spent some quality time together and those moments I ll always cherish - until we meet again I kiss you, hug you and tell you I ll never forget you!

Fadia

Fadia Nassar Francis - January 22, 2022 at 03:24 PM

BH

Laure, i mostly remember you from your late brother George, &. a bit from the elementary school In Beirut Atchinak, when you were a classmate of one of my sisters. Many years later, my wife & I met you in CA with your lovely children, whom with your Husband Br Christo, raised wonderful children who love the Lord, just as both of you were the perfect Christian parents!

May your memory live forever. Now We envy you your company!



Barnie & Nada Hatem - January 29, 2022 at 06:07 PM

MY

Shall I ever forget Lor. ? .

I shall never forget you

My encounters with You growing up in Lebanon and your visits to Australia have impacted me. They're imprinted in my heart. Possibly influenced who I am that occasionally I hear comments "you sound like Lor"

Lor I shall remember you. Bubbly positive confident friendly.

Welcoming making the stranger an old friend

Lor you have left a legacy in the heart of many.

Matil

matil Yanni - January 29, 2022 at 11:44 PM

RD

“ I never forget the spiritual meetings at her house and her hospitality, the special food and desert that she made for us, her smile, her gracious and nice words that she encouraged me with when I was visiting my sister Antoinette in summer of 2011. Truly she was a godly woman, blessing, and good example for me. I pray that the Lord help me to serve him, be a prayer woman, and a good example for my family as she was for his glory. 🙏

Rima Daham - February 05, 2022 at 09:46 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Laura Nassar Ayoub.



January 27, 2022 at 07:47 PM

AM

“ Laura was a beautiful, godly woman, ✝️ so full of life, and always with a contagious smile! ❤️ I knew Laura and Christo, because I was their eldest daughter, Amal’s, college roommate. 🤗 We both attended, and eventually graduated from, California Baptist University. 👩🎓 When I went home with Amal one weekend, I was amazed at how much Amal looked like her mother! 👍 They were twins! 🤗 I remember telling Laura that, and she smiled and laughed, 😊 and said that she was told that quite often. I was equally impressed by the love she and Christo shared for each other, 🤗❤️🤗 their 4 children, 🤗 and also, for me, as well! ❤️ The love of Christ was truly demonstrated in their home! ✝️ Throughout the numerous years of my friendship with Amal, 🤗 I periodically saw Laura and Christo, and they continually 🤗❤️🤗 demonstrated warmth, friendliness, kindness, and the love of Christ ✝️ in their actions towards me. ❤️ I vividly remember Christo speaking at Amal’s retirement party a few years ago, held at our former church, 🏰 Calvary Bible. Amal was concerned that her beloved father had said “too much,” and had gone on “too long,” about her. I remember saying, “Amal, it was your dad. We all loved it; because it was your DAD!” ❤️ I want to let Christo, Amal, and the entire Ayoub family know what a joy you have all been to me, over the years! 🤗 Laura was so special to me, and will be forever missed! ☐ I have lost both of my parents; and I miss them every day! ☐ Yet the best way to honor your mother’s memory, is to live a godly life, serving God in all that you do! ✝️ That would make her the MOST proud! ❤️ Laura will indeed have many jewels in her crown in Heaven! 👑 She lived a full life of love for God, ✝️ her husband, Christo, 🤗❤️🤗 her children and grandchildren, 🤗 and so many others! ❤️ I am proud to have known you, Laura! 🙌🙌🙌 Thank you for being like a 2nd mother to me! 🌹 You are gone now from this Earth, 😊 but will FOREVER live in our hearts! ❤️ I am so PROUD to call you my FRIEND! 🤗 I’m not going to say, “Farewell, Laura.” I’m going to say, “See you later, Friend!” 🤗😊 I will be praying 🙏 for peace and comfort for your entire family! 🕊️ I love you all! ❤️ (Roman’s 8:38-39) 🤗❤️🤗🤗🏰🎓🙏🤗📖✝️🕊️❤️😊

Angela Morfin - January 23, 2022 at 11:56 PM

RD

I never forget the spiritual meetings at her house and her hospitality, the special food and desert that she made for us, her smile, her gracious and nice words that she encouraged me with when I was visiting my sister Antoinette in summer of 2011. Truly she was a godly woman, blessing, and good example for me. I pray that the Lord help me to serve him, be a prayer woman, and a good example for my family as she was for his glory. 🙏

Rima Daham - February 04, 2022 at 06:12 PM

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“ *A dear woman , as much a second mother to me as I have ever known, has passed through death into the presence of Jesus. My family and I were always welcomed into her home with the most loving, gracious, kindness, and attention. Her children and her husband will sorely miss her. She was always a bright light of encouragement and love, and would always cover us and our kids with affection and kisses. She is in heaven now, and we believers in Jesus will all see her again one day. I will miss her. There is a hole in my heart, and tears may come now, but we have a great expectation for our reunion in heaven. What a day that will be! Laura Ayoub, we will meet again. Rest with Jesus, your work here is done and you are at rest in heaven. We love you so much and will miss your sweet smile.
Blaine, Jeanette, Peter, David, and Elizabeth*

Blaine Van Ausdein - January 23, 2022 at 03:25 PM

AH

“ I didn't get to know Aunty Laura until later in her life. I grew up at Grace Bible Chapel so I knew her as a child, but I never realized the beautiful saint of God she was until I was an adult. She lived in discomfort and pain towards the end, but her spirit and fire for God never faded. That is truly the mark of a woman who knows God intimately. After getting married, my husband Thad and I moved away and it had been years since we had seen her, but every visit was like coming home. She had a powerful warmth and love that reached you and made you feel like family instantly. The effect of that power is evident in her children and husband. Uncle Christo and the kids are all amazing people and showed that selfless love to others and to her. It is obvious from the shared memories of others that she wholly gave herself to God and to His people and the fruit of that in her faith showed. Strength to live with limitations and pain does not come naturally to us as fallen humans, it comes from a life nurtured by an intimate servant relationship with Christ. She leaves behind a legacy to young people like us to fearlessly give ourselves to Christ. Even though our overall time spent with her was short, it has left an imprint on our hearts that will carry us through whatever years we may have left on this earth. We look forward to seeing you again, Aunty Laura.

Ashley and Thaddeus Hopkins

Ashley Hopkins - January 22, 2022 at 07:38 PM

LJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with uncle Christo and the entire family. I grew up at Grace Bible Chapel which is where my family first met aunty Laura, but I got to know her better and truly feel the love that radiated from her after we moved to the Buena Park fellowship. Every time I visited, I was showered with hugs and kisses followed by aunty Laura's classic, "I love you, I love you, I love you."

Aunty Laura was the definition of cheerful hospitality and everyone who was blessed to pass through her life, felt the true love of God that filled her soul. Every time we visited her at home, we left with full hearts and bellies. Even towards the end when she was in so much pain, she always had a huge smile on her face and made us feel loved. It was clear that her joy and strength came from God and she was determined to share His love with everything she had. We could clearly see how much love she had poured into the people around her, and especially for her children, seeing how lovingly they cared for her and uncle Christo as they got older.

Aunty Laura was a strong prayer warrior and always remembered to ask about everyone and everything going on in our lives. She prayed for me all through school and while her declining health kept her from being at my last graduation, she made sure to show me how proud she was by throwing me a mini celebration when I visited, complete with a "congratulations grad" strawberry cake. I pray that God will help me to be a strong prayer warrior and blessing to others as aunty Laura has blessed so many, my family included.

We are so sad to see such a beautiful and bright soul leave us, but know that aunty Laura is now joyfully sitting in the presence of our Lord and we look forward to seeing her again one day. We love you, aunty Laura!

Johnson, Valsa, and Lisa <3

Lisa J - January 22, 2022 at 02:35 PM

HZ

“ Dear brother Christo and family. Yep if you knew Laura, consider you're blessed. Her beautiful smiling, her soul and her true love makes me feel I'm at home. She always asked me about my son and prayed for him continually. May the Lord bless and comfort you and your family during this time of grief. Amen.

Hanan Zabaneh - January 22, 2022 at 02:15 PM

RW

“ I met tante Laura over 35 years ago when I was visiting our Lebanese friend's house. Her beautiful smile and kind heart made me want to see her again. She invited me to the Arabic Bible Study at her house. I became her 4th daughter. She is my spiritual mentor. I remember one Thursday night she visited me in my apartment and we sat on the couch next to each other and I prayed and received Jesus as my Savior. That was the beginning of my whole family accepting the Lord as their savior. My Last visit with her ended with a big smile, a kiss and "I love you Rima". Thank you for praying for me and my family. Your smile is wider now as you see your friends, loved ones and JESUS. You will be missed greatly. Love you. Till we meet again.

Rima Wehbe - January 22, 2022 at 12:15 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Laura Nassar Ayoub.



January 22, 2022 at 01:38 AM

NS

“ *Dearest Family*
Sending you all love and peace and comfort
I will always keep Laura in my heart
She was and always will be a shining star
I will always remember her beautiful and loving smile 😊 Hugs
Nancy Carol Booker

Nancy carol Schoeman-Booker - January 21, 2022 at 01:40 PM

“ I first attended a Friday night Bible study meeting at Grace Bible Chapel, Fullerton in the Summer of 1996. Everybody present at the meeting spoke Lebanese Arabic, and although I also spoke Arabic and was among brothers and sister in the Lord, I felt strangely out-of-place because I grew up in a place other than Lebanon. However, the clear memory that I still have from that day is this: I heard my own dialect spoken to me by the wife of the Bible teacher! Mrs. Ayyoub made a special effort to speak the dialect that I identified with in order to make me feel welcome in the gathering... and as a result, I instantly felt welcome and accepted. My late father, Shafik, became a regular attendee of the weekly Bible study meeting, and he, too, felt the welcoming warm fellowship of Mr. and Mrs. Ayyoub. Her joyful spirit was like a magnet that attracted my wife, Nawal, (even before we got married) and my mother, Lilian, to her home where monthly Bible study meetings took place. She always asked about my brother and his family, my uncle and his family although she only met them once, and her interest was genuine. Her delicious home-made pastries and refreshments were an ever-present part of every such meeting. Her faithful care of the children while their parents attended Bible study demonstrated a commitment to practically support the Lord's work.

A tree is known by its fruit. The Ayyoubs have a family of Godly children and grand children. Nawal and I have been blessed to know Amal and Mounir and Antoinette as role models for loving God and neighbour. I am also acquainted with Mona, Kamil and Carol and know that they also bring honor and glory to the Lord in their lives (and this includes Mona's and Mounir's respective family members).

It is a rare thing to meet someone who genuinely loves others and is transparent. This is a gift from God and a passing glimpse of the beauty of our Lord Jesus Christ! We shall treasure this gift of Laure and these glimpses of heaven in our heart, always.

for Nawal, Lilian and I... Hani Kassicieh

H. S. Kasscieh - January 20, 2022 at 01:39 PM

BZ

“ My love and prayers are with Christo and the family. I first met Laura thru Stonecroft Christian Womens club over 20 years ago. We connected with each other right away as we both love Jesus so much and wanted to serve Him. Laura and I served together on the board of Christian Women's club for over 20 years. We help plan a fun monthly outreach luncheon with a fashion show, singers and a spiritual speaker. We are still having them each month and our sweet Laura is with us in spirit. Everyone who knew Laura loved her. She was a shining light for Jesus! She will be missed but now she is home! With Love, Barbi Zipperian

Barbi Zipperian - January 19, 2022 at 10:44 PM

LO

“ I had the privilege of meeting with Laura many times over the past few years. We attended the same local church, and she was encouraging to everyone she met. We also shared in ministry at CWC for several years and that was a blessing. She was always joyful and fun to have at all the meetings and luncheons. Laura taught me to make Tabouli and I will think of her every time I make it. Laura was a very loving, cheerful, giving lady that I have grown to love. I will miss her, in fact I already miss her, and I look forward to seeing her again in heaven.

Linda Louise Osborn - January 19, 2022 at 09:13 PM

AY

“ A beautiful soul, a wonderful journey, a life full of love and fun, well done! And she is smiling! ❤️ We celebrate her and her never fading spirits. 🙏

Ann Yuan - January 19, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *If you knew Laura, consider yourself blessed!! When I was fighting cancer years ago she would come up to me at church and let me know she was praying for me every day. I've heard people say that before, but in my heart I knew she really did. A true woman of God who was like an angel to me. No matter how bad she felt she always had a smile and let others know she was thinking of them and praying for them.*



I'm so thankful for the Lord bringing her into my life, if even only for a short while. I've been in remission over 10 years and I'd bet it has to do with her praying faithfully.

Blessings to the whole family and thankful for each and everyone of you.

Carol S Johnston

P.S. My husband Jim sends his love and blessings too!

Carol Grebe-Johnston - January 18, 2022 at 11:24 PM

RO

“ *Laura was a woman of God. I knew her for years. While still in Beirut Lebanon, we used to go to the same church, went to a Bible study at their home with other young people. She was always hospitable and welcoming. I moved to California and went to a Bible study at their home too. I learned a lot from her. Always joyful and a serving others. I will never forget you sister Laua. Until we meet again around our Savior.*

Rhoda Oweis - January 18, 2022 at 10:19 PM

RT

“ Thirty four years ago I was young and new in the United States when I met the most loving, giving, generous, virtuous Christlike woman (Taunt Laure). She made me feel so welcome in her home, and her home was open to everyone. She loved me and my family and prayed for us constantly. I remember when I gave her a picture oh my newborn baby girl, she put it on the side oh her mirror in her bedroom and told me that she prays for her daily. Taunt Laure was an amazing cook, she use to ask me what food are you homesick for so I can make it for you . My family and I are so blessed to have known Taunt Laure. Heaven gained another angel. Till we meet again

Rosemary Taouil - January 18, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ May our Lord bless and comfort you and your family during this time of grief. Please accept my sincere condolences, Mounir. Emmanuel...

Margaret Wong - January 18, 2022 at 05:57 PM

LL

“ I have a very fond memory of a fine meal shared at her table. You could see God's love in her smile. She is at her best now, with Jesus. Big hugs for all she left behind, but we know...Praise God, we know.

Linda Lockwood - January 18, 2022 at 01:27 PM