



# Tamara Binoya Eddy

May 10, 2026

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Tamara “Tam” Binoya Eddy  
“Bat Girl”

March 12, 2001 – May 10, 2026

Woodbridge, Virginia

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Tamara “Tam” Binoya Eddy, lovingly known to many as “Bat Girl,” who left this world far too soon on May 10, 2026, at the age of 25.

Born on March 12, 2001, at INOVA Alexandria Hospital in Alexandria, Virginia, Tamara was a free-spirited adventurer whose kindness, curiosity, and love for life touched everyone fortunate enough to know her. From childhood through adulthood, Tamara lived with a love of learning, an adventurous heart and a deep love for people, nature, and the world around her.

Those who knew Tamara best often described her as intelligent, compassionate, fearless, artistic, independent, and full of life. She had a rare gift for making others feel seen, welcomed and valued. Her bright smile,

infectious laughter, warm hugs, and genuine kindness left lasting impressions wherever she went. Whether she was sharing a conversation with a stranger, encouraging a friend or embracing a new adventure, Tamara carried a light that naturally drew people to her.

Tamara was raised in Woodbridge, Virginia, where her love of learning began early. She attended Saint Thomas Aquinas School from Pre-K through eighth grade before graduating from Saint Paul the Great Catholic High School in Dumfries, Virginia. Her academic journey continued at Virginia Commonwealth University, where she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology as a member of the Class of 2025.

At VCU, Tamara found her calling in wildlife biology and conservation. Her fascination with the natural world led her to become deeply involved in bat ecology research, earning her the affectionate nickname “Bat Girl.” Through the Footprints on the James program, she spent countless hours identifying bat acoustic calls and collecting important field data used in conservation efforts throughout Virginia. Her passion for protecting wildlife and preserving natural habitats eventually led her to Belize, where she completed an internship with the Toucan Ridge Ecology and Education Society. There she gained valuable experience studying, handling, and conserving bat populations while deepening her appreciation for the delicate balance of the natural world.

For Tamara, science was never simply a career path—it was a reflection of her curiosity, wonder and desire to make a meaningful impact. She approached research with enthusiasm and purpose, inspiring those around her through her dedication and passion.

Yet science was only one piece of the extraordinary person she was.

Tamara's love of movement, creativity, and self-expression began at the age of three and a half when she started dance training at Linda's Ballet Workshop in Woodbridge. Over the years she trained extensively in ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, contemporary, and acrobatics. Dance became one of the many ways she expressed her vibrant spirit and creative soul.

She also excelled in numerous athletic pursuits, including rhythmic gymnastics, swimming, cheerleading, track and field, cross country, and Tae Kwon Do, earning her black belt at only seven years old. Trained in dance and driven by an adventurous spirit, she raced and competed with determination, passion, and joy. Her determination, discipline and love for challenge carried into every aspect of her life.

As she grew older, Tamara continued to embrace life with fearless enthusiasm. She developed passions for kayaking, aerial arts, calisthenics, fire performance, travel, and outdoor exploration. As a treasured member of Exothermia Fire Troupe and the Ripple Rays family, she became known for her creativity, confidence, and ability to inspire others. Whether performing, dancing, researching wildlife, or exploring a new destination, Tamara approached every experience with authenticity and joy.

What made Tamara truly unforgettable was not simply what she accomplished, but the way she lived.

She inspired others to be curious, to be brave and to embrace adventure.

She showed others how to love openly and wholeheartedly.

She reminded people to slow down, appreciate the beauty around them, and live life fully.

Friends remember her as someone who made life feel richer and more meaningful simply by being present. They describe her as a rare light whose energy made the world brighter. Her gentle heart, adventurous spirit, quick wit, calming presence, and unwavering kindness left a lasting impact on countless lives.

Tamara believed deeply in God and carried her faith throughout her life. She loved with her whole heart and approached the world with compassion, humility, and gratitude. Her faith, combined with her adventurous nature, gave her the courage to chase dreams, explore new horizons, and embrace every opportunity life offered.

She is survived by her loving parents, Timothy Lee Eddy and Jemmairose Binoya Eddy; her siblings Ethan Eddy, Tanae Hanson, and Julian Hampton; her maternal grandmother Betsy Ross Binoya Stoltz; her paternal grandmother Betty Lou Eddy; along with a large extended family of aunts, uncles, cousins, relatives, colleagues, classmates, and cherished friends whose lives will forever be touched by her memory.

Though her time on earth was far too short, Tamara lived more fully in twenty-five years than many do in a lifetime. Her legacy is one of courage, wonder, compassion, curiosity, and love. Her impact can be found in every person she encouraged, every friendship she nurtured, every life she touched, and every adventure she embraced.

The world feels dimmer without Tamara in it, but her light has not disappeared.

It lives on in the people she loved.

It lives on in the work she was passionate about.

It lives on in every act of kindness inspired by her example.

And it lives on in the countless memories that will forever be treasured by those who knew her.

Though we cannot change what happened, we can honor her by living with the same curiosity, courage and love that she shared so freely.

Forever loved.

Forever remembered.

Forever our Tam.

 WE LOVE YOU!

# Cemetery Details

## Dumfries Cemetery

17821 Mine Road  
Dumfries, VA 22026

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.  
3200 Golansky Blvd.  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-878-CARE (2273)  
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

## Visitation

JUN 6. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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JUN 6. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

GM

“ Greg M. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tamara Binoya Eddy.

Greg M. - June 06 at 10:33 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



June 05 at 08:06 PM

SP

“ Susan P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tamara Binoya Eddy.

Susan P. - June 05 at 07:23 PM

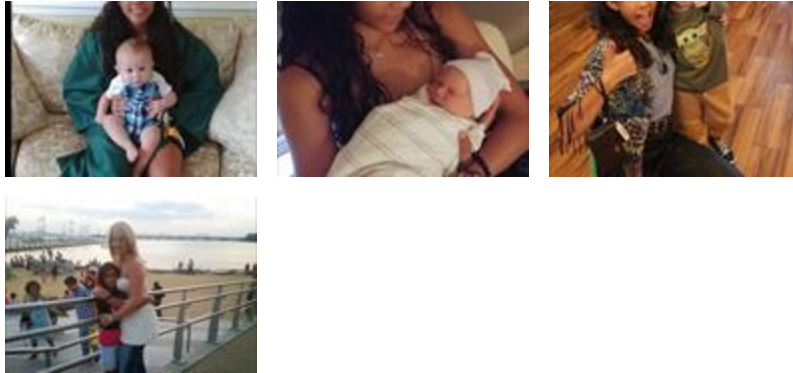
KW

“ Our deep condolences for your loss. Our granddaughter, Tessa, was Tam's roommate last year. Mr & Mrs Welbourn.

Karen Welbourn - June 05 at 07:09 PM

SS

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Sharon M Stoltz** - June 05 at 07:08 PM

M&

“ Mr &. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tamara Binoya Eddy.

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**Mr &.** - June 05 at 07:02 PM

CB

“ Cori Welbourn and Ainsley Bassett purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



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**Cori Welbourn and Ainsley Bassett** - June 05 at 06:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.*



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June 05 at 12:36 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tamara Binoya Eddy.

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June 05 at 12:36 PM



“ *Angel's Embrace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.*



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June 04 at 12:01 PM



“ *The Walczak's (Wayne, Dory, Joe & Nick) purchased the In Heaven's Arms Bouquet for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.*



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**The Walczak's (Wayne, Dory, Joe & Nick) - June 03 at 08:18 PM**

2D

“ 2nd Brigade TC, 94th Training Division purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



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**2nd Brigade TC, 94th Training Division** - June 03 at 05:21 PM

2D

“ 2nd Brigade TC, 94th Training Division planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tamara Binoya Eddy.

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**2nd Brigade TC, 94th Training Division** - June 03 at 05:21 PM

LC

“ Love, Lolo Greg Lola Susie & Children purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



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**Love, Lolo Greg Lola Susie & Children** - June 02 at 03:43 PM

CK

“ Please accept our deepest condolences and fervent prayers for your family and friends during this very difficult time. May the peace of God comfort your hearts and give you inexplicable peace with each and every beautiful memory of your dearly beloved, Tamara.

*Charles & Monica Kane*

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**Charles & Monica Kane** - June 02 at 09:39 AM

MV

“ Mymy & Jiji Vivar purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



Mymy & Jiji Vivar - June 01 at 05:03 PM



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Miller Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. - June 01 at 09:12 AM

DA

“ Duc & Rose Sabijon (uncle & aunt) purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



Duc & Rose Sabijon (uncle & aunt) - June 01 at 08:30 AM

RC

“ Rodney & Wendy Cathcart purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Tamara Binoya Eddy.



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**Rodney & Wendy Cathcart** - May 28 at 11:10 AM

JA

“ Condolences. So very sad. 🙏



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**Jane** - May 22 at 05:15 PM