

She'd say she lacked rhythm when we'd dance for fun,  
But who really cares? She was number one!  
Goofy, she was, we know this so true -  
She'd say "smell ya later" and "Mwahaha" too!  
"Dani rules the world" she'd also say -  
and now that is right, Dani, on this here day.  
Compared to her team, yes, she was the dwarf,  
And her accent we'd laugh at, for she's from the north!  
Her flip-flops and sweatpants she wore most often -  
A turtle she owned, that isn't forgotten.  
But Dani loved rainbows - we know this so right,  
And now her soul has begun to take flight -  
Over the rainbows, to heaven above,



She's there with her father and the  
Lord full of love.  
Tears we may shed, and mourning  
we'll do,  
But now Dani's happy - she's  
looking down on you.  
She'll light up the heavens with her  
catching smile,  
And we'll see her again - only after a  
while.  
Here on this day, we celebrate Dani -  
In a life that was short, but just  
touched so many.  
Her path was chosen from day  
number one -  
She left us with memories and games  
she had won.

So to her coaches and teammates she loved,  
She'll still be playing with you from above.  
Ryan, she loved you - to her heart you belong,  
But she'll be happy for you with what comes along.  
To her family who loved her and will miss her the most,  
She's now with her dad there - he'll make a great host.  
Dani's now smiling in a place she feels love -  
A champion has just been given to God up above.

# *Memorial Service*

## *For*



*Danielle Miller*  
*February 6, 1984 - March 12, 2004*

March 22, 2004  
3:30 p.m.

Barnhardt Student Activity Center  
UNC Charlotte  
Charlotte, N.C.

*"Within our hearts,  
the ones we love are never really gone.  
In spirit and in memory,  
their legacy lives on."*

## Rainbows Never Fade

By Jill Leeder

A teammate, an athlete, a student, a friend,  
A daughter, a sister - the list has no end.  
She came to this world two decades ago,  
But left us so briefly - and from that we'll grow.  
Danielle was a sparkle, was one tiny star,  
And some may now think that she's so very far.  
But she is here with us, hearing this rhyme,  
She is now happy - she served her time.  
A sparkle she was, where dark, she made light,  
She'd light up the room, she'd make it all right.  
To her teammates, coaches, family, and friends,  
She was the one who set all the trends.  
Baggy shorts Dani wore, when she felt the need,  
She didn't care if you followed this creed.  
Where there was a party,  
Dani was there -  
Always just laughing, a  
smile she'd bare.  
When most think of Dani,  
they see her sweet face,  
And that smile she held  
that'd never erase.  
That contagious laugh, her  
niche on this earth -  
Even from the moment her  
mother gave birth.  
Her style, uncanny - not just baggy shorts,  
But in her hair, pre-wrap of course!  
But she wore it differently - it was her way:  
Unrolled and spread out day after day.  
In practice and games - she'd play on that court,  
She'd hit and she'd dive, she'd do all of the sort.  
The image, when we think of how she'd play  
Was her diving saves or famous rolls - come what may.  
Although the smallest on her great team,  
Dani's heart was the biggest you'd seen.



(continued)

## A Service of Remembrance and Celebration

For the Life of

DANIELLE MICHELLE MILLER

February 6, 1984 - March 12, 2004

March 22, 2004	3:30 p.m.
Presiding: Rev. Robert T. Young, Former Athletic Foundation Director	
A Word of Grace and Invocation	Mr. Young
Song	Ms. Tara Harris
Opening Remarks	Dr. James Woodward, Chancellor
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Herman Thomas, Ph.D.
Isaiah 40:28-31	Dr. Thomas
II Timothy 4, Selected Verses	Mr. Young
Celebration of the Life of Danielle Miller	
	Ms. Judy Rose, Director of Athletics
	Ms. Lisa Marston, Head Volleyball Coach
	Ms. Jill Leeder, Women's Soccer
	Ms. Leslie Canales, Women's Soccer
	Ms. Karianne Huffstetler, Softball
	Molly McDonald, Volleyball
Video Tribute	
Dani's Song	Mr. David McKenney
Prayer and Benediction	Mr. Young

---

Danielle is survived by her mother, Mrs. Debbie Miller, her sister and brother Brittany Miller and Tim Miller, Jr.