



Lee Ann Merideth

July 4, 1968 - January 8, 2017

Lee Ann Merideth, age 48, a resident of Vienna and a former resident of Cypress, passed away unexpectedly Sunday evening, January 8, 2017, at 8:46 PM at the Heartland Regional Medical Center in Marion.

Lee Ann was born July 4, 1968 in Marion, Illinois. She was the daughter of Jack and Nancy L. (Racey) Merideth.

Lee Ann is survived by: her mother – Nancy Merideth and her dear friend Danny Penrod of Cypress; her father – Jack (his wife, Patty) Merideth of Harrisburg; her daughters – Sarah Deitz, Chloe' Deitz and Abigail Deitz all of Vienna; a brother – Ben Merideth of Cypress; an aunt – Judy (her husband, Jim) Penrod of Metropolis; uncles – Joe Racey of Jacksonville and Donald Merideth of Decatur; as well as a host of cousins, other relatives and many friends.

Lee Ann was a 1986 graduate of Vienna High School. She attended McKendree University and earned a Bachelors Degree in speech and communication with a minor in social work, graduating in 1991. She was a proud member of the McKendree Alumni Association.

Lee Ann was a devoted homemaker and cherished time spent with her daughters and taking care of her mother. She had also worked at the

Murphysboro, Illinois Chamber of Commerce office. Lee Ann was the Cypress correspondent for the Vienna Times newspaper.

During her youth in Cypress, Lee Ann was a member of the Cypress United Methodist Church. She was later a member of Christ United Methodist Church in Shiloh. More recently, Lee Ann attended the Cypress United Methodist Church and Vienna First United Methodist Church. Lee Ann enjoyed volunteering at "Faith Alive" the Vienna Christian Ministerial Alliance thrift store. Lee Ann is fondly remembered as a "good Christian lady."

She was an avid St. Louis Cardinals baseball fan.

A funeral service honoring the life of Lee Ann Merideth will be held Thursday morning, January 12, 2017, at 11 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Joe Richard and Pastor Kenny Baker will officiate. Burial will be in the Cypress Masonic Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted Wednesday, January 11, 2017, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorial donations may be made to Faith Alive, P.O. Box 241, Vienna, IL 62995

Cemetery Details

Cypress Masonic Cemetery

Route 37
Cypress, IL 62923

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Service

JAN 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lee Ann Merideth*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *As a fellow member with her on McKendree's Alumni Board, I want to express my condolences. May you be comforted with warm memories, upheld by the prayers of many friends, and strengthened by your faith and hope in God.*

*Grace and Peace,
Miley Palmer, McK 1958*

Miley Palmer - January 18, 2017 at 08:15 PM



“ *I love u momma RIP*



chloe deitz - January 16, 2017 at 12:29 AM



“ *Terry Anderson lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Terry Anderson - January 12, 2017 at 08:12 PM

LC

“ *It is with deep sympathies that I give my condolences to you at this time of sorrow. May the good Lord give you peace and comfort now and in the days ahead.*

Larry Choate - January 12, 2017 at 07:25 PM

DS

“ *DeLois Fisher & Jacob Stevens lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



DeLois Fisher & Jacob Stevens - January 12, 2017 at 03:51 PM

MN

“ *Michelle Cagle North lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



michelle cagle north - January 12, 2017 at 06:57 AM

DF

“ *Debbie Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Debbie Faulkner - January 11, 2017 at 11:10 AM

DH

“ Dennis And Pat Harner lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Dennis and Pat Harner - January 11, 2017 at 06:42 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.

Eric and Lisa Whittington



Lisa Whittington - January 10, 2017 at 11:03 PM

LC

“ I can remember Lee Ann and I being friends from way back when we were little in grade school. On Saturday nights our parents used to play cards and us kids would play. We took turns I remember at each other's houses. We usually did each other's hair and makeup or played cards ourselves. We were both pregnant at the same time her with Sarah and me with my son Jaron. I was there when she got married. I am going to miss her so much. She was a wonderful person and a good friend. But, I know she is in heaven. And that makes it a little easier. I love you and I know I will see you again one day my friend. Love LaRay, Scott, Jaron, Jamie and Jennifer.



LaRay Capron - January 10, 2017 at 07:00 PM

BB

“ So sorry for your loss.



Barbara Bowman - January 10, 2017 at 06:33 PM

SB

“ I'm sorry for your families loss. Praying daily for healing.

shirley blaine - January 10, 2017 at 06:18 PM

JD

“ *Lee Ann was the Mother of my children and a devoted wife of the almost 10 years of our marriage. Lee Ann was a devoted wife and a Great and Loving Mother. She was tireless in her devotion to her family. Her life is to be celebrated for she had an inner peace and Joy for life and an unbounding love an forgiveness for those who transgressed against her. Her life and light will be missed. May God Bless her family and grant them peace.*



Jeff Deitz - January 10, 2017 at 05:53 PM

SB

I'm so sorry for your families loss. Praying daily for healing.

shirley blaine - January 10, 2017 at 06:16 PM



“ *Christie West lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Christie West - January 10, 2017 at 04:58 PM



“ *Mike And Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Mike and Teresa Richerson - January 10, 2017 at 04:06 PM



“ ** purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lee Ann Merideth.*



***** - January 10, 2017 at 03:32 PM



Theresa Williams

“ I grew up in Cypress with Lee Ann and attended school and church with her there. She always had a lovely smile to share and never a harsh word for anyone. We were able to reconnect through Facebook where I saw what a lovely woman she had become. I loved watching her pride as she shared the accomplishments of her daughters and her love for them. You could tell how much she loved her entire family and cherished her friends. Farewell Lee Ann until we meet again. May God bring comfort to your family during this difficult time and may you watch over them from above.

Theresa Williams

Theresa Williams - January 10, 2017 at 02:04 PM

JR

“ James & Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



James & Diane Rainbolt - January 10, 2017 at 02:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lee Ann Merideth.



January 10, 2017 at 12:31 PM

KA

“ *Sending prayers to the family of Lee Ann. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you!*

Kara Adams and JCDT Staff



Kara - January 10, 2017 at 11:25 AM

FM

“ *My sympathies to the family of Lee Ann. May you find peace in your memories of her.*



Faye Mize - January 10, 2017 at 10:52 AM

LH

“ *Lonnie And Cathy Hinton lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Lonnie and Cathy Hinton - January 10, 2017 at 10:18 AM

GT

“ *Greg Taylor lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Greg Taylor - January 10, 2017 at 09:23 AM

PO

“ I remember a very sweet girl with a big smile who grew into a woman with a sweet smile. So sorry for your loss.



Phyllis and Jerry Oliver - January 10, 2017 at 09:20 AM

KB

“ Kenny And Diane Baker lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Kenny and Diane Baker - January 10, 2017 at 08:55 AM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. I remember a bright, fun-loving little girl with a wonderful smile that lit up the room.



Susie Henley - January 10, 2017 at 08:24 AM

EA

“ Ed And Diane Annable lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Ed and Diane Annable - January 10, 2017 at 08:02 AM

JW

“ *Jim And Rosie Whitnel lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



jim and rosie whitnel - January 10, 2017 at 06:49 AM

JW

“ *We knew Lee Ann when she was just a beginner on this earth. (baby) (child) (teenager) (young adult) (adult) and on. She would come to our house and play with our daughters in Cypress and they the same. Lee Ann was a great young lady and will surely be missed by those close to her. May GOD'S blessings be with all of you. Remember she is in a far better place that we are now. Continue to love her and love one another.*

Friends Yours:

Jim and Rosie Whitnel

jim and rosie whitnel - January 10, 2017 at 06:48 AM

SA

“ *So sorry for your loss...Our thoughts and prayers are with the family...Chad , Sandra , and Lakan Crippen*

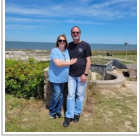


Sandra - January 10, 2017 at 05:35 AM

BM

“ *So sorry. Thoughts and prayers for the family.*

Brian - Lisa Murley - January 09, 2017 at 10:31 PM



“ *Carrie Vinson-Hood lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Carrie Vinson-Hood - January 09, 2017 at 09:47 PM

TC

“ *She had a good heart. God be with all of you at this time. Prayers for the family*

Tammara McGuire Carr - January 09, 2017 at 09:33 PM

TC

“ *Tammara McGuire Carr lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Tammara McGuire Carr - January 09, 2017 at 09:32 PM

JP

“ *Jolene Calabria Parks lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Jolene Calabria Parks - January 09, 2017 at 09:15 PM

DS

“ Dawn Mattingly Smith lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Dawn Mattingly Smith - January 09, 2017 at 08:51 PM

ER

“ Elaine Rotan sent a virtual gift in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Elaine Rotan - January 09, 2017 at 08:49 PM

SW

“ Sue West lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Sue west - January 09, 2017 at 08:14 PM

CC

“ So sorry for your loss. Lee Ann was such a sweet person. I'll miss her smile and laughing voice.



Chrissy Childers - January 09, 2017 at 07:43 PM

CH

“ *Channa Harrison lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Channa Harrison - January 09, 2017 at 07:33 PM

TM

“ *So Very Sorry for your loss!!! Praying for ALL of the Family!!!!*



Theresa Mckenzie - January 09, 2017 at 07:18 PM

AS

“ *Angie Street lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Angie Street - January 09, 2017 at 07:16 PM

KE

“ *My thoughts and prayers go to the family. Lee Ann was a wonderful person and I'll never forget all the great times we had growing up together and how much she made me laugh. I'll see you on the other side my friend.*



Karen Elder - January 09, 2017 at 07:11 PM

JB

“ Joy Beggs lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Joy Beggs - January 09, 2017 at 06:51 PM

AR

“ Alan And Carol Racey lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Alan and Carol Racey - January 09, 2017 at 05:15 PM

LD

“ Lacey Penrod Dodson lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Lacey Penrod Dodson - January 09, 2017 at 05:08 PM

LD

My Thoughts and Prayers are with you all! Lee Ann was a Sweet Amazing Person!!!

Lacey Penrod Dodson - January 09, 2017 at 05:09 PM

SR

“ *very special lady. knew her all her life. she is now in no pain and forever with the Lord. Remember the many memories she left for us and keep our lives here, that we can again join our friends and families in Heaven*



sandy richardson - January 09, 2017 at 04:36 PM

CW

“ *Cheryl Moak Winters lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



cheryl moak winters - January 09, 2017 at 04:23 PM

KN

“ *Kris Nichols lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Kris Nichols - January 09, 2017 at 04:20 PM

DH

“ *Darcie Hancock lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Darcie Hancock - January 09, 2017 at 03:54 PM

W.

“ My sincere condolences to the Merideth family on the loss of your loved one. Death can bring much tears and pain but may your hearts be filled with wonderful memories of times spent together and have comfort in God's promise found at Psalms 34:18. My deepest sympathy to you all.

W.W - January 09, 2017 at 03:45 PM

Pattie
Flannigan-
Thompson

“ Pattie Flannigan-Thompson lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Pattie Flannigan-Thompson - January 09, 2017 at 03:34 PM

MH

“ Mike And June Hartline lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Mike and June Hartline - January 09, 2017 at 03:24 PM

SC

“ Sally Caradona lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Sally Caradona - January 09, 2017 at 03:07 PM

HS

“ Heidi Stapleton lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Heidi Stapleton - January 09, 2017 at 02:31 PM

AT

“ Ann Tripp lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Ann Tripp - January 09, 2017 at 02:30 PM

JT

“ JACK TRAVELSTEAD lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



JACK TRAVELSTEAD - January 09, 2017 at 02:17 PM

JT

WHAT A SWEET LADY. SO SORRY TO HEAR THIS SAD NEWS.
PLEASE ACCEPT MY CONDOLENCES

JACK TRAVELSTEAD - January 09, 2017 at 02:18 PM

AD

“ *Angela Dixon lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Angela dixon - January 09, 2017 at 02:06 PM

MI

“ *Mitzie-Nichols-Augustus lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Mitzie-Nichols-Augustus - January 09, 2017 at 02:01 PM

MI

Such a sweet person. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Mitzie-Nichols-Augustus - January 09, 2017 at 02:01 PM

JC

“ *Julie Crain lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Julie Crain - January 09, 2017 at 01:55 PM

JC

Hugs and prayers to the family, rest in peace dear friend.

Julie Crain - January 09, 2017 at 01:56 PM

PW

“ *PAT WOMACK lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



PAT WOMACK - January 09, 2017 at 12:49 PM

BB

“ *Barb Baker lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth*



Barb Baker - January 09, 2017 at 12:32 PM

BB

Nancy, BJ and girls. My love, thoughts and prayers are with you.

Barb Baker - January 09, 2017 at 12:34 PM

LM

“ *Best Girl Scout Mom I had she always had words of encouragement for me when needed! And loved walking with her! Love, hugs and prayers to her family! Love, Laura McLeod*

laura McLeod - January 09, 2017 at 12:03 PM

JF

“ *So sorry for your lose.*



JERRY & Brenda FORCHT - January 09, 2017 at 11:23 AM



“ Valerie Lynne lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Valerie Lynne - January 09, 2017 at 10:53 AM

VB

So very sorry for your loss your family is in my prayers

Vonda Burnam - January 09, 2017 at 09:41 PM

MH

“ Mary Lou Hynes lit a candle in memory of Lee Ann Merideth



Mary Lou Hynes - January 09, 2017 at 10:11 AM

MH

So very sorry for your loss my prayers are with Nancy Ben and her girls!

Mary Lou Hynes - January 09, 2017 at 10:13 AM