



Melissa Gail Rathgeber

May 19, 1985 - January 21, 2021

(Our Special Angel)

Melissa Gail, daughter of Kathy (Kimball) and Randy Rathgeber born May 19, 1985 in Kiowa Kansas passed away from this world on January 21, 2021 at the age of 35 years, 8 months and 2 days.

She graduated from high school in 2004 and worked in a daycare. She was a fun loving spirit and love to go to casinos and bingo, she loved her family and she never met a stranger.

She spent her whole life suffering from CP and MS but was always a fighter and a loving person to everyone who loved her and she will be greatly missed. She is survived by her mother Kathy of the home her sister Miranda Gilliland, five nieces, Kaylee, Kylee, Gracie, Cambrie and Presley. Nine aunts and uncles, Marilyn (Gary) Shinliver, Toots (Tom) Trantham, Butch Kimball, Keith (Janie) Rathgeber Scott (Charmaine) Rathgeber and a number of nieces nephews and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father Randy Rathgeber her grandparents Everett and Josephine Kimball and Dick and Norlene Rathgeber. A aunt Patt Kimball and a cousin Stacy Shinliver.

She loved the Bible Baptist Church and loved everyone in the church and never met a stranger. She can remember anything. I love u Missy

Memorial contributions can be made through a Love Fund to Wharton Funeral

Chapel and to the Bible Baptist Church.

Below is a link to watch the service live on the Bible Baptist Facebook Page.

https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=118842898466650&ref=content_filter

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

Bible Baptist Church
402 Choctaw
Alva, Ok

Tribute Wall



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Melissa Gail Rathgeber*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - January 28, 2021 at 07:00 PM



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Melissa Gail Rathgeber*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - January 27, 2021 at 12:48 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melissa Gail Rathgeber.*



January 29, 2021 at 11:53 AM

AA

“ *Mellisa was such a joy to be around she didnt know a stranger and she would light up a room i remember when i would watch you girls when you were little she always was my little helper rest in peace sweet angel!* ”

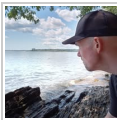
Amy Allen - January 28, 2021 at 10:08 AM



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Wharton Funeral Chapel - January 27, 2021 at 01:11 PM



Rest in peace Melissa. My condolences to the family. Praying for you all.

Andrew Earle - January 27, 2021 at 04:28 PM



“ *Having only known her closely, for a few years of my life, I'd meet and protect her from mean mean kids at the elementary school bus stop. It was outside my window. I put the fear of her Cousin Cathy Law, (Now Pierce), in a couple of bullies They didn't bother her or any of the kids anymore..*



After that, when I went to the bus stop...she'd run n hug me. I'll never stop missing those hugs.. She loved me, and knew me...if only for a couple of years....we're still distant cousins! I love her...who couldn't love her at 7,8,9 years old. (approx.)

I really Picture her as an angel, or butterfly... just zipping from flower to flower....

saying " I AM FREE! Look everyone! I can fly with the angels" or at least the little girl I knew would have been so relieved.

Let us burden the pain of missing her...but watch for the prettiest butterfly in the sky this spring.... its a belief that butterflies deliver messages, memories or feelings, from loved ones who have passed.

God Bless Your Branches of the Family. Cathy Pierce

Catherine Pierce - January 26, 2021 at 06:07 PM

LB

“ *Such a sweet girl.*



Linda Beeler - January 23, 2021 at 11:30 AM

RO

“ *Roberta Obrecht lit a candle in memory of
Melissa Gail Rathgeber*



roberta obrecht - January 23, 2021 at 10:24 AM

JS

“ *Very sorry to hear of Melissa' passing.
Prayers for her family.*



Jim Scribner - January 22, 2021 at 09:30 PM

JC

“ *Rest in Peace Melissa.*



John & Charlotte - January 22, 2021 at 05:16 PM