



Melody S. Atkins

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Melody Starr Atkins, 56, of Laurel, DE passed away peacefully surrounded by her children and fiancé at her home on Friday, September 2, 2016 after a short but courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. Born on May 17, 1960 in Seaford, DE to Richard A. Givens and Emma Jean Givens, she spent all of her life in Laurel and graduated from Laurel High School in 1978. She was preceded in death by both parents, stepfather Alfred Hickey, and brother, Kevin Gene Givens. She is survived by her fiancé, Gary Tomaino of Laurel, DE, who loved her dearly. She also was an inspiration to and best friend of three wonderful children, Britney Lloyd (Ryan) of Delmar, DE, Cory Atkins of Seaford, DE, and Abby Atkins of Laurel, DE, and grandchildren Owen Lloyd and Reagan Lloyd whom she adored. She is also survived by her former husband Rudy Atkins of Laurel, DE. Siblings Richard Givens II of Dover, DE, Catherine Calloway (Mike) of Bethel, DE, Charles Givens (Jacque), Craig Givens (Kathy), and James Givens of Laurel, DE also survive her. She leaves behind several nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles, extended family, friends, and co-workers. Her dogs will also miss her very much.

Melody was a woman of great strength and determination. She loved more than anything being a stay at home mother raising her children for 18 years. During the last 13 years she took great pride in her work as a schedule coordinator for the Lynch and Rodriguez Dental Practice in Seaford, DE where she will be missed greatly. One of her personal achievements was training for and finishing the Seagull Century bike ride in 2010. Melody also enjoyed gardening, camping, biking, and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

A memorial service will take place Thursday, September 8, 2 pm, at Laurel Wesleyan Church where family and friends may call at 1 pm. A reception will follow the service in the church hall.



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In lieu of flowers, gifts in her memory may be made to Delaware Hospice, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, DE 19963, Laurel Wesleyan Church, 30186 Seaford Road, Laurel, DE 19956, Seaford Lioness, PO Box 472, Seaford, DE 19974, or any charity of choice.

Please sign Melody's online guestbook located on this site.




FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED TO LAUREL WESLEYAN CHURCH BY THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 BY 12 PM.

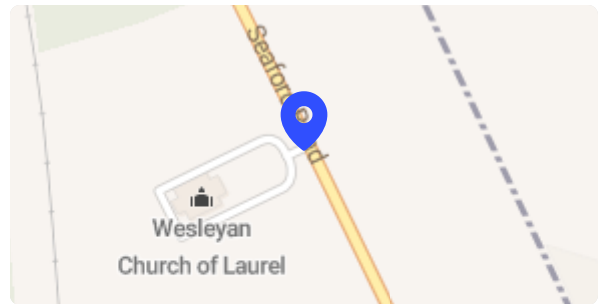


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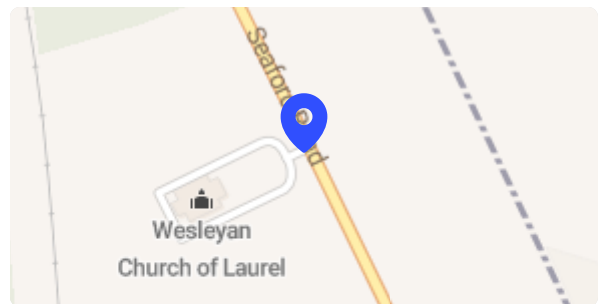
Visitation

-  **Thursday**, September 8, 2016
-  1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET
-  **Laurel Wesleyan Church**
30186 Seaford Road, Laurel DE 19956



Memorial Service

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Leslie Simpson lit a candle in honor of Melody.

I worked with Melody a brief time a few years ago. A lovely lady. My deepest sympathy to her family

September 10 at 4:01 AM



Linda Lee lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 8 at 12:35 PM



Christine Sockriter lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 8 at 8:13 AM



Sandy Lee lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 8 at 2:04 AM



Anonymous sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Atkins family.

September 8 at 1:00 AM



Debbie Kennedy lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 7 at 4:29 PM





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PD

Paula Dalious lit a candle in honor of Melody.

I miss you so much angel girl!!i will never be able to walk in Dr. Lynch's office anytime soon because you were my go to girl!! You ALWAYS took good care of me!! I want to remember your beautiful face as it is in this picture!! Shine in heaven my friend and take good care of all our loved ones up there until God calls us home!! Much love and admiration for the live and kindness you ment to a lot of folks and family!! Until we meet again!! I love you 🙏❤️✚



September 7 at 4:26 PM

SW

Susan Wise posted:

Thoughts and prayers to the family. Rest in peace, Melody. You will surely be missed.

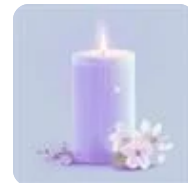
September 7 at 2:53 PM



Janice James lit a candle in honor of Melody.

In memory of a sweet person. May your light continue to shine on your family.

September 7 at 2:22 PM



Tammy Lemon Sisk lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 7 at 1:24 PM



DF

Debby Flood lit a candle in honor of Melody.

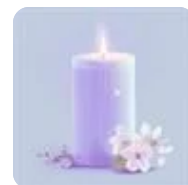
September 7 at 1:03 PM



SR

Steve Rubino lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 7 at 11:49 AM





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DP

Dawne Moore Proctor lit a candle in honor of Melody.

May your trust in our Lord and your love for one another hold you fast during this difficult time. Heaven has a beautiful Melody angel and she is shining bright and looking down upon you. Prayers from Atlanta. Dawne Moore

September 7 at 10:08 AM



TK

The Horsey's (Bobby, Lisa, Heather, Kelly & Rj) sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Atkins family.

September 7 at 9:42 AM



KF

Kassie, Brian And Family sent an A Full Life to the Atkins family.

September 7 at 8:43 AM



Anonymous sent a Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet to the Atkins family.

September 7 at 2:44 AM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 7:22 PM



Anonymous sent a Basket of Joy to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 6:11 PM





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Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 4:58 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 4:55 PM



Lisa Conaway lit a candle in honor of Melody.

Melody was such a wonderful person . Talking to her , she put her own symptoms earlier this year aside so she could take care of her mother . Such a good mother and friend to her children . She will be truly missed . Rip my true friend ❤️

September 6 at 3:33 PM



The "Texas" Fetterman Family sent a Tranquil Seas to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 3:00 PM



Karen Womach lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 6 at 2:55 PM



Holly Lecates lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 6 at 2:21 PM





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Susan Munoz lit a candle in honor of Melody.

Melody was a wonderful woman. She loved her family so much . I am so sorry for her family .

September 6 at 1:55 PM



Wendy Dolby lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 6 at 1:44 PM



Connie & Rich Zuchowski sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 10:21 AM




Beth Wilson lit a candle in honor of Melody.

I worked with Melody for several years at Lynch & Rodriguez. She was a good and caring person and she will be missed. My prayers go out to Gary and her family.

September 6 at 9:39 AM



 **Carol Koch Cordrey** September 6 at 10:44 AM
Rest in peace...You will be missed,by many



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Atkins family.

September 6 at 8:37 AM



Rose &Irvin Hastings lit a candle in honor of Melody.

September 6 at 8:22 AM





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Beth Givens posted:

As I watched the sun set Friday night Sept 2, 2016 it was beautiful and I could not help but think it was Melody and aunt Jean reunited in heaven. God has a plan but it is heard to understand, Melody will be missed , now she is at peace.

September 6 at 7:27 AM



Susan And Eddie Steen lit a candle in honor of Melody.



September 6 at 6:58 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Atkins family.



September 6 at 6:56 AM



Anonymous sent a Pretty Please to the Atkins family.



September 6 at 6:48 AM



Darlene Matthes sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Atkins family.



September 6 at 6:32 AM



Debbie Matthews lit a candle in honor of Melody.



September 6 at 6:18 AM



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Cathy & Mike Campbell lit a candle in honor of Melody.



September 6 at 5:49 AM



Cathy September 6 at 5:50 AM

Melody was a classmate and wonderful friend of ours. Our thoughts & prayers go out to her family.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Melody by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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