



Melissa Rogers

November 23, 1963 - July 21, 2007

Services for Melissa "Missy" Ann Mitchell Rogers, 43, of Arlington are scheduled for 1:00 PM, Wednesday, July 25, 2007 at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Rev. Donnie Marvel officiating. Burial will follow in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Missy died, Saturday, July 21, 2007 at the Medical Center of Arlington in Arlington. She was born November 23, 1963 in Arlington, TX to CeCe Brotton. Missy was raised in the Roxton and Paris areas and graduated from Paris High School in 1982. She went on to attend Paris Beauty School and became a licensed beautician before she furthered her education at the Texas Technology Institute in Fort Worth with a focus on Computer Science. She was diagnosed with Lupus at the young age of 16. She worked for the Environmental Protection Agency in Dallas as an Inventory Control Specialist and enjoyed her work and all the life long friends she made over the years. Missy's passion in life was her dogs and playing Bingo, and her family will always remember her as a down to Earth and genuine person with a natural ability to "Love Life." She was preceded in death by her cousin, Chad Herd. Survivors include her loving mother, CeCe Brotton and husband Dan of Tyler; two brothers, Todd Mitchell and wife Teresa of Paris and Bill Brotton and wife Susan of Salem, OR; grandmother, Joanne Lusby of Arlington; two aunts, Karla Chapman and husband Robert of Winnsboro and Linda McCann and husband David of Midlothian; uncle, Rocky Lusby of Arlington; and numerous loving nieces, nephews and cousins. Pallbearers will be Chadlee Mitchell,

Heath Herd, Cass Chapman, Kord Chapman, Justin Lusby, Christopher Mitchell, Chip Herd, Mike Baumann, and Kenneth Boyce. A special "Thank You" to Medical Center of Arlington and their wonderful ICU Staff for the loving care given to Missy and her family. Visitation is scheduled for one hour prior to the service at 12 noon, Wednesday, July 25, 2007, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas 75703. Memorials in honor of Missy may be made to the Lupus Foundation, 15441 Knoll Trail, Suite 190, Dallas, TX 75248. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

TG

“ CeCe and family. What a beautiful and precious daughter you had. I worked with Melissa and knew how much she enjoyed going to Tyler and see you. On Mondays after she had visited you, she'd come in and say, how do you like what my Mama bought me - it was another new outfit she was wearing. We both had a love for bears and schnauzers. Melissa will be greatly missed by everyone. You and your family are in my prayers now as they have been for the past 2 months. God Bless.

Trish Grice - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I will never forget Missy's "inner beauty" that she shared with others; she was always somehow able to very quietly, humbly, "fix things" to make life better for someone else. I will also never forget how blessed Missy was to have both of you as parents...your love for Missy, your love for each other, your patience, your strength, your courage...your faith. God Bless and I love you both. Aunt Karla

Karla Chapman - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Melissa will be dearly missed - she had a great sense of humor and could always see the best side of any situation. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Janie Acevedo Beauchamp - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Dear CeCe, Dan, Todd and family,

Please know that my heart is broken for you over the loss of Missy...I had know idea of her illness until I read the Paris News today...I pray that the Holy Spirit will give you comfort and strength in this very sad time... I trust you know, that you will be in my heart and prayers...

*Love always,
Clint*

Clint Campbell - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *Melissa, we never got to say "good-bye" Just not the same around the office without you. You left me without training me on so many programs. NOW I AM LOST WITHOUT YOU... My dear, you were WONDERFUL. You will make a WONDERFUL angel. I know you are going to welcome your Grandmother in Heaven with a great Triumphet Sound. Remember me when I cross into the light. Now that you are an angel, do me a favor - make sure I certify before the fiscal year ends. My family sends their loves Lots of hugs - until we meet again. "Alma"*

Alma Adams-Horvath - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *Cece and Todd,*

Missy was a good friend back in the high school days. I am very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.

Pennie Burchinal-Haydon - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ CeCe,
Each night here at the ranch, I read "The Paris News" online to keep up with the old hometown. I was stunned tonight to see that Missy had passed away at such a young age. Although it has been about 27 years since I have seen either of you, I have such fond memories of you both. Please accept my sincere condolences on your loss and know that you will be in my prayers as you deal with this difficult time in your life. I understand that there is nothing harder in life than losing a child. You might not believe this but I am now 53 and I have a 7 year old son. May God surround you with love and peace.

Carl Coker

Carl Coker - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *I just wanted to say how sorry I was to hear about Missy. Although she and I had not seen each other for many years, we did have some great times running together in high school. She was a good person and will be missed by all.*

*My prayers are with you all.
Anita "Shelton" Henry*

Anita "Shelton" Henry - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ *Dear Family,*

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Missy was such a wonderful person. I remember us spending the night with each other, copying homework, and basically getting into whatever we could get into. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Patti Clark Torres - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Cece, You and your family are in our prayers. We know Missy is now in the presence of Our Heavenly Father and she is whole and without pain. I know you will miss her but be assured we will all be reunited soon. God has sent His Angels to comfort you now but they are always with you. God Bless You!
Brenda, Roger, Laura & Matthew

Brenda Pierce - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ I sincerely pray that God continues to comfort you during this challenging time. I am one of Melissa's co-workers. Melissa was a very special person who took great pride in what she did for EPA. I was always so very grateful for her helping me and with inventory issues and training me. She was a true asset to EPA and a joy to be around.

Vena Webb - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

FO

“ It was my pleasure to know Melissa and on even infrequent trips to Dallas, she always would recognize me immediately and extend a warm greeting.

She will be missed by me and by all who worked with her.

F. Edward O'Neill - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ I worked with Melissa and she was a good friend. Through her sickness she always kept a positive attitude. I will miss her. May God continue to bless the family through your bereavement.

Vickey Finch - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ZD

“ Missy, In knowing you for the 3 1/2 years that I worked in Dallas we had a couple of things in common. We both loved to take breaks, smoke and talk plenty of mess.(smile) We also, had a good time joking about my lateness in doing my BCO job. You understood me and we had a good relationship. I miss seeing you already and my prayers were with you through your entire ending journey of life on this earth. I am sure you are in a better place and glad you don't have to deal with certain things anymore. You were very loving and caring and I am sure your family will miss you. To the family, my prayers are with you and may GOD continue to bless you all through your healing process.

Zakiya (Kiya) davis - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ To the family of Melissa,

I had the pleasure of working, for a time, with Melissa and she was a joy and I will truly miss her.

Although words cannot begin to ease the sorrow of your loss, please know that you are in the prayers of so many who care.

*Thy merciful kindness be my comfort.
Psalms 119:76*

May God continue to bless and keep you.

Natalie Berry - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *The Word Discovers Our Condition*

11 Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. 12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

Our Compassionate High Priest

14 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrew 4:11-16

Merylen Haynes - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ *Missy was a sweet, dedicated lady who was very helpful. She always had a smile for me even in the midst of discussing "aggravating" work related issues. I appreciate her courage and simplicity in dealing with life's very complicated issues....she had a good sense of humor, and was a patient, lovely lady who LOVED her family and her dogs, and who had overcome very difficult problems in life. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Margaret Oldham - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *My condolences and prayers to the entire Rogers Family. May God bless Melissa and her entire family.*

Aubrey Baichu - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you, may you find comfort knowing that she is resting in peace with no pain.*

May God Bless you all and take care of you during this time of mourning and always.

She was a great, helpful, and a very beautiful person. She will be greatly missed by me.

Maria (Dora) Vasquez - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ *I will miss you*

Trisha Lane - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ *Melissa and i was very good Friends. I prayed for Melissa everyday. I'm also a Lupus vitim. We shared our experiences about our illness. She and I both worked for Property office in different locations. Melissa we both called each of the vanilla and choclote sisters. When on Gov't travel she and I was always together, she will truly be missed by me. And I will miss her present when traveling, but her present would always be remembered. I will miss you vanilla sister.*

Terri A. Owens - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ *Melissa, it was nice knowing you, I will miss your bright smile. May GOD continue to bless and keep your family.*

Wendy W. Ross - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *Todd & Family*

I'm so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Mia

Mia Branum Jackson - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *MISSY YOU WAS A LOVING AND CARING PERSON WHO WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. YOU HELPED ME THROUGH ALOT OF TOUGH TIMES AND NEVER THOUGHT TWICE ABOUT IT. KAYLA WILL MISS YOU ALSO. SHE LOVED GOING TO PLAY BINGO WITH YOU!!! THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR ME!!! LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU*

CAROL STORMS - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *Todd, and family -- I am so sorry/shocked to hear about Missy. I remember how sweet and quiet mannered she was,always kind.Beautiful. After reading her tributes I know that she was still the way I remembered. Our school days didn't seem that long ago. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Tricia Duke Basden*

Tricia Duke Basden - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Missy always brought a smile to your face. She will be missed by all that had the pleasure of meeting or working with her.*

David R. White - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ To the family of Melissa,
I am very sorry to read about your loss. I graduated from Paris High in 1982 with Melissa. We were not close friends but it saddens me to hear of a classmates passing. I too was diagnosed with Lupus many years ago. I hope you find comfort in the days ahead. God Bless.
Tammy Mills

Tammy Mills - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I will miss "Missy". She was a dear friend and co-worker. I am employed at EPA and have been for 24 years. We shared similar situations at work and got to know each other during that time.

My thoughts are prayers are with each of you in this difficult time.

Julia Chattam - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SY

“ Melissa's Family,
I'm so sorry for your loss. I worked with Missy and although I didn't know her long, she was a wonderful person. I'm glad our lives crossed paths. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sylvia - July 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM