



Kimberley S. Clayton

May 29, 1961 - August 28, 2014

Kimberley Sue (Evans) Clayton was born May 29, 1961 in Marshall to Dale L. and Beverley (Kramer) Evans. She was received into the Kingdom of God through Holy Baptism at Grace Lutheran Church, in which church she later confirmed her faith.

Kim began her education at the Russell Elementary School and continued in Russell High School. On May 29, 1979, she graduated as valedictorian of her class. In 1983, Kim completed her formal education at South Dakota State University, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Business and Marketing. She utilized her degree while working as a National Marketing Manager for Huisken Meats by developing and designing the Trails Best Meat snack line. In 1991 Kim began a career with the American Cancer Society where she spent over 15 years raising local, state and national funds to fight the disease that would later claim her life.

On February 8, 1997, Kim was united in marriage to Michael Clayton at St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Marshall. On November 24, 1999 they welcomed their son Austin into the world.

The couple made their home in Marshall for six years. Mike was employed as a pharmacist for Shopko and Kim served as the Minnesota Director of Income Development for the American Cancer Society. In 2006, Kim, Mike, and Austin moved to Alexandria where Mike was employed with K-Mart Pharmacy and Kim was a stay at home wife and mom. Together, the family did extensive traveling throughout our great country: from hunting in Wyoming to Twins

spring training in Florida, every moment was filled with new adventures. In her youth and throughout her college and adult life, Kim was a strong advocate of 4-H and related livestock activities. Her expertise in showing and judging livestock, her creativity in sewing and her ability to serve as a peer and adult mentor guided Kim as she achieved individual and team state and national honors. Two of her greatest joys were working with and watching Austin as he showed his purple winning swine and conference judging projects and visiting with old and new friends, always remembering the good times.

Always a student at heart; Kim's interests and learning extended from nature to the creative arts. Whether she and Austin were inviting birds to their backyard, creating a new flower bed or teaching a quilting class, she was a resource to many. Kim was a dedicated wife and mom; volunteering through the years for church and school activities and as a Hockey and Baseball Mom. A gracious hostess, Kim enjoyed planning and entertaining in her home for family and friends. Whether it was a birthday party, a holiday gathering, or a family weekend trip, the events were well planned and successful. Above all, she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends---who will all remember her friendly nature and warm smile.

After a long, hard-fought battle with multiple myeloma cancer, Kim was received in the loving arms of our Lord on Thursday, August 28th.

She is lovingly remembered by her husband Mike and son Austin; her mother Beverley Evans of Balaton, Mother and Father-in-law, Jim and Lorraine Clayton of Glenwood, brother Corey and his wife Jennifer of Balaton and their sons Colin, Derek and Colton, sister-in-law Mary Wussow and special friend Colin Wilde and her daughters Steph and Heidi of Garfield; and many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her father, Dale and her infant sister Michelle.

Many give thanks for sharing the life of Kim. Beyond her days as a loving daughter, wife and mother, she was a loyal friend, generous to all with wisdom through caring, always upbeat and creative, she found no person she could

not call a friend. As we celebrate Kim's life, we say goodbye to our beloved treasure.

Cemetery Details

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Russell, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory
659 Voyager Drive NW
Alexandria, MN 56308
(320) 763-5900
mail@andersonfuneral.net
<https://www.andersonfuneral.net/>

Service

SEP 4. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
822 Douglas Street
Alexandria, MN 56308

Visitation

SEP 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (AKT)

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Service

SEP 5. 11:00 AM (AKT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Kimberley S. Clayton



Anderson Funeral Home - August 30, 2014 at 03:29 PM

KM

“ Prayers and sympathy for the entire Clayton family.

Ken Martinson - September 04, 2014 at 03:00 PM

HB

“ Kim was my mom's best friend, she had and will always a special place in our family's' heart. Kim always made me smile, she had a great personality and she was a great mom. Hockey games were so fun when she came along, and I loved how passionate she was about quilting and knitting. She was such a creative woman. I'm so glad that she was my mom's best friend, my mom needed a friend like Kim. She has touched the lives around her in many ways.

-Hadley Boline, daughter of Jill Boline
Alexandria, MN

Hadley Boline - September 03, 2014 at 10:19 PM

PS

“ I am so sorry to learn of Kim's passing. She was such a dear and special person! I had the joy of working with her through the American Cancer Society during the entire time she was with the organization. And what a delight she was in every way! Special love, prayers, and deepest sympathy to her entire family. May God hold you close, bring you comfort, love from friends and family, warm and wonderful memories, and peace of heart. Kim will always be remembered and will have a special place in all of our hearts. Thanks be to God for giving her to all of us!

*Patti Swanson, ACS Volunteer
Hallock, MN*

Patti Swanson - September 03, 2014 at 09:25 AM

DL

“ So sorry for your loss! My prayers are with all of you. Deanna Larson



Deanna Larson - September 01, 2014 at 09:09 PM

VA

“ Kim, you are the best person I ever knew. Your kindness of spirit and concern for all made you an angel here on earth before you left for heaven. I will still talk to you everyday, just a little more long distance now. Love you girlfriend. Vicki

VICKI ALLEN - September 01, 2014 at 04:19 PM

KN

“ Mike and the entire family: I am so sorry to read this sad news. My prayers are with Mike, Jim, Lorraine and Kim's entire family. May God give you Peace in this difficult time.

Kerry Nelson

Kerry Nelson - September 01, 2014 at 12:00 PM

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“ Russell High School Class of 1979 purchased the A Full Life for the family of Kimberley S. Clayton.



Russell High School Class of 1979 - August 31, 2014 at 10:49 AM

SW

“ My prays are with Mike and Austin. Kim will be missed deeply, with that great smile!
Shannon Wussow



Shannon Wussow - August 31, 2014 at 09:00 AM

LM

“ Thoughts & Prayers with you Mike & Family. Kim was a wonderful person always had a smile on her face. She will be missed by everyone that had the honor of knowing her.

Liz Meyeraan - August 29, 2014 at 07:23 PM

TR

“ *Kim you will be so missed. You have more creativity in one little finger than most people have in their whole body. The hockey rink won't be the same without you. Austin & Mike our family will continue to pray for you and I know peace will eventually come to you. – John, Tina, Sean & Olivia Rice*

Tina Rice - August 29, 2014 at 02:28 PM