



Elyjah Michael Lee

June 6, 2009 - August 6, 2013

Jessica Danyale Lee, age 23, was born February 8, 1990, in Westminster, California. Her son, Elyjah Michael Lee, age 4, was born June 6, 2009, at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. They departed this life together Tuesday, August 6, 2013, during the flood in Waynesville.

They are survived by Michael and Michelle Lee of Waynesville, MO; Justin Lee of Jefferson City, MO; Julia Lee of Waynesville, MO; Peggy and Glen Alderich of Lebanon, MO; Jerry Lee of Long Beach, CA; Joan Blatt and Jerry Mercier of Lebanon, MO; Frank and Laura Romney of Mesa, AZ; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Jessica lived in California, Georgia, and Colorado before arriving in Missouri where she spent most of her life. After graduating from Waynesville High School she went on to complete a Bachelor of Arts in Child Psychology at Columbia College. Her love for children took her career to the Child Development Center on Fort Leonard Wood where she was currently working. She loved to laugh, joke around, and express herself with her favorite color (bright pink) and thru sentimental tattoos which had special meaning to her. But most of all, what she loved more than anything, was being with Elyjah and her family.

Elyjah grew up here in Waynesville and enjoyed everything the area had to

offer. He was dedicated at Victory Fellowship where he and his mother attended. He loved playing outside and with his best friend Bear Bear. One of his favorite routines was picking fruits and vegetables with Grandma in her garden (while eating all of Grandpa's strawberries). Like his mother he also would express himself with his favorite color (blue) as everything he wore had to have blue in it.

Today we celebrate Jessica and Elyjah's lives together. We will always treasure the many wonderful memories they have created with each and every one of us. They will be fondly remembered, deeply missed, and will live in our hearts forever.

Everyone who knew Jessica would say she was a tough, strong willed person. Only those closest to her would know how loyal and protective she was. Jessica would do anything for family and friends, no questions asked. If you needed her she was there, especially when it came to little Ely. No matter the situation Jessica wasn't going to give up without a fight. She would have taken on a lion to protect her little boy. Elyjah was Jessica's everything, he literally was her entire world and she was his. Elyjah filled so many people's lives with joy and happiness, because that was all he knew. True and unconditional love was all Elyjah had ever experienced. It is without a doubt Elyjah and Jessica were made for each other; they were one another's destiny. Now they shall continue their eternal lives together in Heaven, never alone, but always together.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 14, 2013 in the Westside Baptist Church of Waynesville with Pastor Frank Brunais officiating. Recalling their wonderful memories of Jessica and Elyjah were Michael Lee and Debbie Lee. The songs "I Can Only Imagine", "Save a Place for Me" and "If I Die Young" were played. Serving as escorts for Jessica were Vincent Koehler, Martha Lee, Josh Crossland, George Forbes, Marty Lee and Steven

Orth. Serving as escorts for Elyjah were Kelby Stapleton, Debbie Lee, Bill Clements, Nathaniel Richards, Keitha Orth and Justin Lee.

Burial followed in the Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Jessica and Elyjah and may be left at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
Waynesville, MO 65583
(573) 774-6111
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

Service

AUG 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

Westside Baptist Church
801 Historic 66 West
Waynesville, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - August 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Elyjah Michael Lee*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *SARA JONES lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



SARA JONES - October 11, 2013 at 10:07 PM



“ *My sweet baby boy we will dance again*

Michelle Lee - August 21, 2013 at 06:38 PM

DL

“ *Debbie Lee lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Debbie Lee - August 21, 2013 at 04:46 PM

DL

No words can say how much you will be missed little man

Debbie Lee - August 21, 2013 at 04:48 PM

DM

“ *Denise Miller lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



denise miller - August 18, 2013 at 11:18 AM

SI

“ *Simone sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Simone - August 15, 2013 at 02:34 AM



“ *Than the child opened its eyes, and looked up in to the angel's beautiful face, which beamed with happiness, and at the same moment they were in heaven where joy and bliss reigned. The child received wings like the other angel and they flew about together, hand in hand.*
By Hans Christian Anderson



We are so sorry for your loss. Faith consists in believing when it is beyond the power of reason to believe that Elyjah was here for a reason and your connection could never be broken.

Cristopher and Ramona Mccauslin

Cristopher McCauslin - August 14, 2013 at 08:28 PM



“ *Cristopher McCauslin lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Cristopher McCauslin - August 14, 2013 at 07:56 PM

TS

“ *Teresa Schooley lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Teresa Schooley - August 14, 2013 at 07:10 PM



“ *Missy Sellars-Gray lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Missy Sellars-Gray - August 14, 2013 at 06:04 PM



“ *Joan Jesser Romney lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Joan Jesser Romney - August 14, 2013 at 02:03 PM



“ *God has an amazing little angel!*



kelly smith - August 14, 2013 at 09:37 AM

RB

“ *This little angel will be sorely missed...we will miss seeing his sweet smile and listening to his laugh...he loved to play with his doggies and mom or grandma would take him on rides in his little wagon...Rest in Peace now Little Man and watch over your family left here...*



*With heavy hearts,
Robert & Teresita (Teri) Brogan*

Robert & Teresita (Teri) Brogan - August 14, 2013 at 09:27 AM

KK

“ *It's so heartbreaking that the world lost this little guy so soon. I'm sure he brought a lot of joy to his family in the short time they had with him. I'll keep you all in my thoughts and prayers!*

Kate K - August 14, 2013 at 09:02 AM



“ *Patricia Stevens lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Patricia Stevens - August 14, 2013 at 08:43 AM

DS

“ *Deborah Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Deborah Smith - August 14, 2013 at 08:34 AM

RS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this sad time.*



Robert and Mary Switzer - August 14, 2013 at 06:30 AM

RB

“ *Roger Bunch lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Roger Bunch - August 14, 2013 at 05:45 AM

DB

“ *Delilah & Bob sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Delilah & Bob - August 13, 2013 at 08:48 PM

NI

“ *NILSA sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



NILSA - August 13, 2013 at 04:52 PM

AT

“ AJ TEEL lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



AJ TEEL - August 13, 2013 at 04:32 PM

LF

“ Lesa & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Lesa & Family - August 13, 2013 at 04:07 PM

UR

“ Uncle Ken & Aunt Rachel Romney lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Uncle Ken & Aunt Rachel Romney - August 13, 2013 at 01:55 PM

DO

“ Donna sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Donna - August 13, 2013 at 01:37 PM

JS

“ *Jim Schiller sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Jim Schiller - August 13, 2013 at 12:43 PM

TD

“ *Tina DeWeese lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Tina DeWeese - August 13, 2013 at 06:25 AM


Jennifer Hammock

“ *RIP LOVE AND PRAYER TO THE FAMILY*



Jennifer Hammock - August 13, 2013 at 02:09 AM



“ *Beth Wiles sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Beth Wiles - August 12, 2013 at 11:39 PM

AS

“ *Albert Sostre sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Albert Sostre - August 12, 2013 at 11:16 PM



“ *Tara-Jeff Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Tara-Jeff Edmonds - August 12, 2013 at 10:56 PM



Our hearts are just breaking.....

Tara-Jeff Edmonds - August 12, 2013 at 10:57 PM

TM

“ *Tara McKinney sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Tara McKinney - August 12, 2013 at 08:39 PM

NA

“ *Natalie lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Natalie - August 12, 2013 at 07:20 PM



“ *Kevin Short sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Kevin Short - August 12, 2013 at 05:33 PM



“ *Brandy Dampier lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Brandy Dampier - August 12, 2013 at 04:37 PM

MW

“ *Michelle Wryn sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



michelle wryn - August 12, 2013 at 04:16 PM

BE

“ *Barbara Evans lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Barbara Evans - August 12, 2013 at 04:14 PM

SM

“ *Shelly McHeffey lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Shelly McHeffey - August 12, 2013 at 04:03 PM

DW

“ *Donald Witt lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Donald Witt - August 12, 2013 at 03:41 PM

MS

“ *Mary Spampanato lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*




Mary Spampanato - August 12, 2013 at 03:19 PM

DW

“ *Dave - Johnna Wilson lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Dave - Johnna Wilson - August 12, 2013 at 12:58 PM

 Laura
Julian
Morgan

“ *Laura Julian Morgan lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Laura Julian Morgan - August 12, 2013 at 12:54 PM

 Catrina
Stark

“ *Catrina Stark lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Catrina Stark - August 12, 2013 at 12:43 PM

Catrina Stark

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Catrina Stark - August 12, 2013 at 12:41 PM

LW

“ LeighAnn Woody lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



LeighAnn Woody - August 12, 2013 at 12:07 PM

JW

“ Jason Wryn lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Jason Wryn - August 12, 2013 at 11:49 AM

DF

“ *Deb Fairchild lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



deb fairchild - August 12, 2013 at 11:37 AM



“ *Janet York lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Janet York - August 12, 2013 at 10:37 AM

LH

“ *LOUISA HAYES lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



LOUISA HAYES - August 12, 2013 at 10:30 AM

AC

“ *Alan And Pam Cox-Clark lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Alan and Pam Cox-Clark - August 12, 2013 at 10:15 AM



“ *Shana Muskevitsch sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Shana Muskevitsch - August 12, 2013 at 09:55 AM



“ *Brad D'Angelo lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



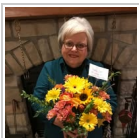
Brad D'Angelo - August 12, 2013 at 09:39 AM



“ *Angie Dake sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



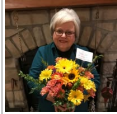
Angie Dake - August 12, 2013 at 09:34 AM



“ *Annette Catts sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Annette Catts - August 12, 2013 at 09:29 AM



We are praying for your family. We are so sorry for the loss of this precious child from your arms, but know that he is safe in the arms of Jesus now. May that knowledge bring you peace to face each day. May our Father in Heaven wrap His comforting arms around you and send His Holy Spirit to guide you.

Annette Catts - August 12, 2013 at 09:35 AM



“ *Christy Abbey lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Christy Abbey - August 12, 2013 at 08:38 AM

TF

“ *The Kieliszewski Family lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



The Kieliszewski Family - August 12, 2013 at 08:19 AM

MS

“ *MARLIN STEVENS sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



MARLIN STEVENS - August 12, 2013 at 08:17 AM

CW

“ Carol Welch lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Carol Welch - August 12, 2013 at 08:14 AM

SH

“ SUE & HARRY sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



SUE & HARRY - August 12, 2013 at 08:08 AM

CD

“ Colleen & Sylvester Daniely lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Colleen & Sylvester Daniely - August 12, 2013 at 07:56 AM

DC

“ Debbie Crawley lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Debbie Crawley - August 12, 2013 at 07:38 AM

SU

“Gone To Soon Your Family is my thoughts and prayers

Susan - August 12, 2013 at 06:15 AM

BF

“Brandi Findling sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Brandi Findling - August 12, 2013 at 06:03 AM

TE

“What a sweet little boy, with a beautiful shy smile. Jeffe will always cherish the time he was able to spend with you at Ayren's ceremony (2012) in the park. :) May you rest in peace little guy..... :’(



Tara Edmonds - August 11, 2013 at 10:36 PM



“Vicky O'Neil lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Vicky O'Neil - August 11, 2013 at 09:39 PM

PS

“ Pam And Robert Smith lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Pam and Robert Smith - August 11, 2013 at 06:57 PM

SD

“ Sherry Dement lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Sherry Dement - August 11, 2013 at 05:42 PM

ME

“ Rest in Peace sweet baby boy!



Meranda - August 11, 2013 at 05:30 PM



“ Bridgitte Baker-Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee



Bridgitte Baker-Bennett - August 11, 2013 at 05:25 PM

TJ

“ *Tammy Jones lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



tammy jones - August 11, 2013 at 05:17 PM

SL

“ *Shawn Loveless lit a candle in memory of Elyjah Michael Lee*



Shawn Loveless - August 11, 2013 at 04:51 PM