



Kerri Lyn Howlett

January 4, 1981 - June 4, 2023

Kerri Lyn (Payne) Howlett, daughter of Kerry Ferrel Payne and Rae Lynne (Goforth) Payne, entered this world January 4, 1981, in Springfield, Missouri. She entered her heavenly home on Sunday, June 4, 2023, in Springfield, Missouri having attained the age of 42 years.

As a young girl, Kerri grew up in Richland, Missouri where she attended school and graduated from Richland High School with the Class of 1999. She continued her education at Missouri State University where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Education and later finished her Master's Degree in Education at Drury University.

After graduating from Missouri State University, Kerri worked for a short time for the Division of Social Services before beginning her teaching career. Kerri taught for her alma mater, Richland IV School District and after several years, she transferred to the Waynesville R-VI School District to teach Special Education at the Waynesville Middle School. During her teaching career, Kerri made many good and special friends that felt like family.

Due to her teaching career, Kerri was a member of the MSTA (Missouri State Teacher's Association) for many years along with being a member of the Waynesville CTA.

On December 29, 2006, Kerri was united in marriage to David Thomas Howlett in Richland, Missouri. They shared over 16 years of marriage together and were blessed with one son, Payne Thomas Howlett. Her family was very important to her, and she treasured all the times they could spend together.

In her spare time, Kerri enjoyed playing card games, playing Trivia, shopping, going to movies and concerts, swimming, and playing golf. She was an avid reader, especially true crime novels and shows, and was a member of the Girls Book Club that she enjoyed immensely.

As a young girl, Kerri made an important decision in her life and accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior and was baptized at the First Baptist Church in Richland on July 21, 1991. Since her baptism, she has been a member of the church and helped many years with Vacation Bible School.

Kerri will be sorely missed, but lovingly remembered by all who were blessed to call her family and dear friend.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her husband: David Howlett of the home; one son: Payne Thomas Howlett of the home; mother: Rae Lynne Payne of Richland, MO; one brother: Christopher Blake Payne (Rachel Kaufman) of Richland, MO; mother-in-law: Millie Howlett Brotherton (Paul) of Nixa, MO; sister-in-law: Sandra Howlett (Cali Milligan) of Moline, IL; brother-in-law: Mark Howlett of Richland, MO; many other special aunts, uncles, and friends.

Kerri was preceded in death by her father: Kerry Payne; father-in-law: Clay Howlett; sister-in-law: Sharon Howlett; and brother-in-law: Matthew Howlett.

Even though she is gone from our sight, Kerri's love of family, life, and her servant's heart in teaching, will live on in our hearts forever.

In Lieu of flowers the family request memorial contributions be made to the Kerry Payne Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of Kerri Lyn Howlett and may be left either at First Baptist Church of Richland or Memorial Chapel of Richland.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Cemetery

Richland, MO 65556

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 10. 1:00 PM.

First Baptist Church Of Richland

Funeral Service

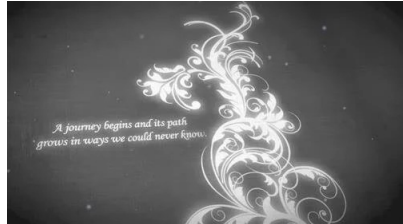
JUN 10. 3:00 PM.

First Baptist Church Of Richland

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Kerri Lyn Howlett*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - June 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM

NN

“ *Nicole Nelson lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett*



Nicole Nelson - June 13, 2023 at 04:26 PM

SH

“ *Dave, man I was so sorry to hear this. Definitely thinking about and praying for you and your family. Sincere condolences.*

shane - June 10, 2023 at 02:52 PM



“ 89 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - June 09, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ Kerri was someone who I knew that if I needed to ask a question about anything at work, she would help me no questions asked. She truly loved her students no matter how silly they were. My deepest condolences to her family and friends. I will truly miss her.

Tammie Black - June 09, 2023 at 01:53 PM



“ Dave, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Tom & Becky Carroll

tom carroll - June 09, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ Thoughts and Prayers for the family.

Boyd, Donna & AJ Hendrix



Boyd, Donna & AJ Hendrix - June 08, 2023 at 03:51 PM

DS

“ Dorothy Skaggs lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Dorothy D Skaggs - June 07, 2023 at 08:13 PM

AB

“ I am so very sorry; thinking of you today and in the days to come.



Annamarie Bowling - June 07, 2023 at 03:11 PM

NM

“ David, Betty and I are saddened to hear of your devastating loss. Prayers for you and yours. Nelson Morgan

Nelson Morgan - June 07, 2023 at 01:30 PM

AN

“ I'm one of her students and it hurts so much to see her pass away.



Anonymous - June 07, 2023 at 12:22 PM

LP

“ I worked with Kerri for 2 years at WMDS, we were both Special Educators. She always made me smile and laugh and I will remember those times with her fondly....thoughts and prayers sent to all of her family and friends, you are all on my heart.
Lori Perkins

Lori Perkins - June 07, 2023 at 12:18 PM

CG

“ So sorry for your loss. May God comfort you in your days ahead. Prayers for the family.
Carol & Jerry Gideon



Carol Gideon - June 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM

EP

“ David I'm so very sorry for your loss. Prayers will continue from here for all of you for all the days ahead.

Elsie Purdue - June 07, 2023 at 09:26 AM

CD

“ Cornelia & Robert Dodds lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Cornelia & Robert Dodds - June 07, 2023 at 07:09 AM

JS

“ I'm sorry for your loss. Keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers.



Jennifer Shelton - June 07, 2023 at 06:37 AM

JA

“ David So sorry for your loss 🙏 thoughts and prayers for you and your family



Janice and Roy Alexander - June 06, 2023 at 09:44 PM

SZ

“ Shannon Zarcone lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Shannon Zarcone - June 06, 2023 at 08:38 PM

LM

“ Linda Mowery lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Linda Mowery - June 06, 2023 at 08:04 PM

TE

“ Tammi Ellwood lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Tammi Ellwood - June 06, 2023 at 04:48 PM

SH

“ Shirley Henry lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Shirley Henry - June 06, 2023 at 04:37 PM

PG

“ Pulaski Camp Gideons lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - June 06, 2023 at 02:20 PM

HB

“ Harold&Brigitte Burleson lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett



Harold&Brigitte Burleson - June 06, 2023 at 02:19 PM

MF

“ *Dave, Payne, Rae Lynn, Blake and family,
There are absolutely no words for us to say how deeply saddened
we are, by the loss of Kerri Lyn. We send our deepest condolences
to each and every one of you all. Sending positive thoughts and
prayers your way for the days to come. We are so very sorry for
your loss.*

McDaniel and Pentecost Families

*Kenneth, Dalene, Kim, Kasondra, Kristie, Amanda and Tiffannie
Sue, Jimmie and Richard*

McDaniel & Pentecost Family - June 06, 2023 at 12:08 PM

CL

“ *Connie lentz lit a candle in memory of Kerri
Howlett*



Connie lentz - June 06, 2023 at 09:05 AM

TL

“ *Tim Kelley Luttrell lit a candle in memory of
Kerri Howlett*



Tim & Kelley Luttrell - June 06, 2023 at 08:35 AM

DH

“ *Della Hage lit a candle in memory of Kerri Howlett*



Della Hage - June 05, 2023 at 09:06 PM

TP

“ *Kerri was a person that after you met her she was hard to forget. She had a love for life, her students, her friends, and her co-workers. Her laugh--I loved to hear her laugh. I was only a co-worker with her for seven years but they were memorable and cherished. A loyal friend and such an incredible human. Her footprints will be felt for many years in the lives she touched. My thoughts and prayers to the Howlett and Payne family.*

Treslyn S. Pollreisz - June 05, 2023 at 08:32 PM