



Heather Joy Reynolds

July 13, 1984 - July 17, 2011

Heather Joy Reynolds, 27, of Carterville, Illinois, and formerly of Monett, Missouri, passed away at 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 17, 2011, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale, Illinois.

Heather was born July 13, 1984, in Murphysboro, Illinois, to Kevin Reynolds and Susie (Watson) Reynolds.

The family moved to Monett, Missouri in 1993, and after graduating highschool Heather began working in customer service at Bass Pro Shop. Then from 2004 to 2010, she was a customer service representative at Miracle Recreation with EZ Dock, Inc. After moving to Carterville, she continued working with customer service, assisting in insurance benefits with Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

She was very strong in her Pentecostal faith.

Survivors include her parents Kevin and Susie Reynolds of Carterville;

one brother Joshua Boyd Reynolds of Carterville;

paternal grandmother Eunice Ellis of Murphysboro;

uncles and aunts Joe and Kathy Watson of Carterville, Karen and Bill Childers, Rhonda Ponde, Randy and Pam Reynolds, and Larry and Jeri Reynolds, all of Murphysboro, Howard and Pat Reynolds of Dowell, and Rick and Janice Reynolds of Vienna;

great aunt Mary Lou Reynolds of Murphysboro;

several cousins Nathan, Karen and Amanda, Lance and Lura, Jason and Sharon, Nick and Jacob, and Chris;

and many special friends from Monett, Missouri, and Southern Illinois.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather Howard C. Reynolds, Sr., and her maternal grandparents Dr. Clarence and Joy Boyd.

Tribute Wall



“ *Heather Joy Reynolds*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I only knew Heather for a short time but she was a joy to be around. She brought laughter to every day and touched so many lives and hearts. She will be greatly missed.*

Krista Shelby - July 25, 2011 at 06:30 PM



“ *The day this child was brought into this world.... She was given the perfect name. Heather "Joy". To know Heather was to love Heather. You will never know how many lives she touched in such a loving way. She will always have a special place in my heart. I will never make another meatloaf without thinking of this beautiful girl. She made Andrea laugh when times where tough, she got in the floor and played with Bryna after a long day at work. She was truly a "JOY" to be around.*

Teresa Purtle - July 22, 2011 at 10:16 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of meeting Heather when she applied for a job at our company last year. Heather was a breath of fresh air and I've often thought of her since the position was filled. I am saddened to learn of her passing.*

Debra - July 22, 2011 at 11:16 AM

LW

“ The "death of a human being reminds us of a falling star; one of a million lights in a vast sky that flares up for a brief moment only to disappear into the endless night forever." ~Elisabeth Kübler-Ross

RIP Heather - You will always be a shining star. You shined for so many of us that you leave behind.

Lindsay (Anderson) Watt - July 21, 2011 at 10:33 PM

QS

“ Tuesday the 19th of July was the first time I got to meet Heather. Brandi was familiar with her through Laura and church. I had met her briefly at church and was introduced. It wasn't until Tuesday that I met the true Heather. She has an easy smile and was fun to talk to. She wanted to do more with her life and talked about some of the obstacles she faced with going back to college. We talked about how to tear down those barriers. We spoke about the love of God in our lives and the many blessings each of us had. Brandi and I both discussed what a lovely person she was. We had just made ourselves a new friend. She was funny and smart. We truly enjoyed our time with her. It saddened us beyond belief to hear of her passing. Each day since last Tuesday we spoke of Heather. She had been on our mind at some point each day. She made a difference in our lives. Both in life and in death. She made us aware that we should live to the fullest and it's never too late to try. When the evening was done and we walked out to her car, I said to call so we can get you back in school. I believe she was going to do just that. She wanted more and she got it that night, she received two new friends, some laughs, and I believe some hope for college. Heather brought us smiles, laughs and a new friendship.

Her memory will always be with us. She will always reside in our memories.

Quinn Edwards and Brandi Smith - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 PM

LL

“ We feel so blessed to have had the opportunity to know Heather and become friends with her. She was such a wonderful young lady with that beautiful smile. It didn't matter if she had seen us the day before, she would always run up and give us a big hug and kiss. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Love, Lynda, Johnny, Fern and Larry.

Lynda Lewis - July 20, 2011 at 11:15 PM

RH

“ For all the laughter, through all the tears;
Forever remembered, always blessed;
A single moment, when you were near;
For all the memories, you will be missed

Rhonda Hatfield - July 20, 2011 at 06:50 PM

JL

“ I feel truly blessed to have known Heather personally and also as a co worker. She sure knew how to bring joy to the work place with her great sense of humor and beautiful smile. She will be missed dearly! Kevin and Susie I cannot begin to express my deepest sympathy for your loss. Much love goes out to your family, you are wonderful people =)

Jana Lence - July 20, 2011 at 01:00 PM

LJ

“ I dont even know where to start...I miss her dearly. We became very close very fast. I learned alot from her and she always encouraged me. Heather always put others before herself and it didnt matter what was going on with her or in her life, she was always more concerned about others, me being one of those. I knew her less than a year from working together, but..she made an impression on me and my daughter Taylor that for me I know will last a lifetime and never be forgotten..she encouraged me when I was down and was so witty and fun-loving. I dont think there is a bad word I could ever say about her. I know she is with Jesus now because of the talks we shared about God and life. I know if she were here right now she would be telling me to get over it...and quit being a baby. But unlike her Im selfish and I want her here to talk to and comfort me. I thank God for putting her in my life and I will always love and miss her. To Kevin and Susie-You raised a wonderful girl...u should be very proud and I am so sorry for your loss. Im always here if you need anything. For anyone else, if you didnt know her personally, you missed out on a great person who impacted the lives of many. I love you Heather, and you will have a place in my heart forever.

Laura Johnson - July 20, 2011 at 11:40 AM

CR

“ Reynolds Family, I am so sorry for your loss! I was grateful to have known Heather for the short time that I did! She was a gem and will be missed greatly by her Blue Cross Blue Shield family! Cesilee Rogers

Cesilee Rogers - July 19, 2011 at 12:35 PM

MH

“ My deepest sorrow goes out to you and your family. Heather was a beautiful ray of sunshine. She always had a wonderful smile despite what might have been going on inside. She made everyone around her feel better just in her presence. She will always have a place in my heart.

Machelle Hines - July 19, 2011 at 10:57 AM

TW

“ My deepest sympathy to you. I worked with Heather at Miracle and it was a pleasure to know her. May God give you peace and understanding. Tracy Witt

Tracy Witt - July 19, 2011 at 10:45 AM

MY

“ Knowing Heather was a breath of fresh air. I received a message from Heather on Friday this past week that I will never erase. She wished me a wonderful, fantastic and marvelous day. The world will miss this very special person. May her family find peace in their loss and may time heal them.

Melissa York - July 18, 2011 at 07:30 PM