



Melanie May Kowalewski

May 23, 1971 - November 19, 2017

Melanie May Kowalewski age 46 of Shawnee Mission, Kansas passed away Sunday, November 19, 2017 at the Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Merriam, Kansas. She was surrounded by many who loved and cherished her. She was born May 23, 1971 in Merriam, Kansas the daughter of Gary Edward and Patty June (Aikens) Kowalewski.

Melanie enjoyed acrylic painting, trying new foods, cooking (best cheesecake Queen ever!) and listening to music, especially her favorite artists, David Bowie and Prince. Melanie adored and cherished her cats, Otis and Ralph. She had a great wit, always had plenty of jokes to tell and she could light up a room with her warm and caring spirit. Most of all, Melanie loved spending time with her family and friends who she loved so much and who will miss her dearly. Her spirit and her legacy will continue and remain in the hearts and thoughts of her family and friends forever.

She is preceded in death by her brothers, Joseph Wilson and Gary Lee Phipps.

Melanie is survived by her parents Gary Edward and Patty June Kowalewski of Shawnee Mission, Kansas; two brothers, Tim Phipps of Cincinnati, Ohio and Shawn Kowalewski of Independence, Missouri; two sisters, Sherry Hauschild of Tonganoxie, Kansas and Mary Kowalewski of Houston, Texas;

brother Shawn Kowalewski of Independence, Missouri; and nieces Monika Chiles (Chad) of Independence, Missouri and Christina Espinal (Frankie) of Winnie, Texas.

A private family memorial service will take place later date. Melanie's family wants to thank everybody for the thoughts, prayers and love shown during this difficult time.

Previous Events

Private Family Services

NOV **20** (CT)

Private Family Memorial Service

Tribute Wall



“ *Melanie May Kowalewski*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Melanie May Kowalewski*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *Patty I just heard of your loss, I am so sorry, but I am sure she has a beautiful pair of Angel Wings. Prayers and thoughts to you and your family 🙏🙏🙏
Betty💜💜😞*

betty neely - November 27, 2017 at 04:11 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melanie May Kowalewski.*



November 22, 2017 at 10:58 PM



“ *I am so sad for all of Melanie's family and friends. I enjoyed her work at Theatre for Young America in her youth. She was a regular member of the classes and was hired as house staff too. I have so many memories of her growing up. Gary, Patty, and Shawn, I am so sorry for your loss. She impacted many lives.*

sheryl Bryant Mackey - November 22, 2017 at 10:04 AM

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“Melanie was my treat on Halloween, she came into work to see me! She was a true and lovable person! She was kind, generous, had a huge heart and a beautiful smile! Sassy at times, but that's what we all loved about her! I will miss her a lot!



Susie Hurley - November 21, 2017 at 09:04 PM