



Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez

August 16, 1982 - May 12, 2026

It is with heavy hearts and deep sorrow that we share the unexpected passing of Rhiannon Rodriguez, 43, on May 12th, 2026. Her departure has left an irreplaceable emptiness in the lives of everyone fortunate enough to have known her. Born on August 16th, 1982, Rhiannon was a force of nature who lived with courage, loved with her whole heart, and radiated warmth, laughter, and a contagious energy everywhere she went.

Rhiannon's spirit was vibrant and compassionate, and her wit was as sharp as her kindness was boundless. She was unapologetically herself, lighting up any room and making every moment brighter. In her career as a nurse, she poured her heart into caring for others in both pediatrics and dermatology. Patients, colleagues, and friends alike felt the safety and value of her presence. Her advice was always honest, peppered with humor and confidence, leaving people both in stitches and feeling empowered. Those who knew her best understood that her unwavering loyalty and candor came from a deep well of love and concern.

Outside of her work, Rhiannon approached life with a zest for adventure and a spirit of spontaneity. She loved to travel and discover new places, transforming ordinary days into memorable adventures. Her keen sense of style and appreciation for beauty inspired those around her to notice life's little joys. Rhiannon lived by the philosophy that the best experiences often began

with a simple “why not?”—and she encouraged everyone around her to embrace life just as boldly.

At the center of Rhiannon’s world was her beloved family. She and her husband, Hugo, built a life rich in love, laughter, and unforgettable moments. As a mother to Merick, Lillian, and Charlotte, Rhiannon found her greatest pride and happiness. Her devotion to her family was limitless, and every choice she made reflected her fierce commitment to their joy and well-being.

Rhiannon is preceded in death by her sister, Jillian, and her brother, Paul. She leaves behind her loving mother, Melinda; her father, Paul; her cherished husband, Hugo; her children, Merick, Lillian, and Charlotte; her brothers, Kenny, Stephen, and Dylan; her sister, Pamela; and a wide circle of extended family and dear friends who will forever hold her memory close.

Rhiannon should not be remembered quietly, but through laughter, spontaneity, and the kind of love that made others feel fully accepted. Though she was taken far too soon, the joy, strength, and love she shared will continue to live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

A visitation will be held to celebrate Rhiannon’s remarkable life on Wednesday, May 20th, 2026, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Maple Hill Funeral Home. All who loved her are welcome to join in remembering a life so beautifully lived.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **20**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
3300 Shawnee Dr
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 831-3345
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com
<https://maplehillfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



May 20 at 12:29 PM



“ Your KUMC Dermatology family. purchased the Peace Eternal Wreath for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



Your KUMC Dermatology family. - May 19 at 10:23 PM



“ Randy & Julie Gunlock Jackie&Rachinda purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



Randy & Julie Gunlock Jackie&Rachinda - May 19 at 10:13 PM



“ Randy & Julie Gunlock Jackie&Rachinda planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.

Randy & Julie Gunlock Jackie&Rachinda - May 19 at 10:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.*



May 19 at 06:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.

May 19 at 06:01 PM



“ *Gil y Norma y familia Lopez purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.*



Gil y Norma y familia Lopez - May 18 at 07:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.*



May 18 at 03:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



May 18 at 01:00 AM



“ *Children International* purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



Children International - May 17 at 06:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



May 17 at 06:02 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.

May 17 at 06:02 PM

DB

“ Don and Karen Biondi purchased the Serene Ret
reat for the family of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



Don and Karen Biondi - May 17 at 09:22 AM

SA

“ I spent a week with her in Cozemel with her and her Aunt Laurie
she was so much fun and laughter. I was so impressed with her
ability to make me feel like we had been friends for years. RIP
sweet girl.

Sandra Atwood - May 16 at 03:03 PM



“ You'll always be the Big Edie to my Little Edie.



p - May 15 at 10:27 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family
of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.



May 15 at 06:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rhiannon Marie Rodriguez.

May 15 at 06:55 PM