



Michelle Lois Ritchie Swanson

July 23, 2016

Michelle Lois Ritchie Swanson, 48, of Cynthiana, KY, passed away on Saturday, July 23, 2016 at her home. Born on August 25, 1967 in Cynthiana, KY, she was a daughter of Donald and Wanda Philpot Ritchie. She was a member of the Irvingsville Baptist Church, where she served as Youth Leader and Sunday School Teacher. Michelle loved to cook and had a large collection of Cookbooks that she enjoyed taking recipes from. She was a loving mother, sister, daughter, and aunt.

She is survived by her parents; Donald and Wanda Ritchie, 2 children; Trevor Ray Gamble Ritchie of Cynthiana, KY, Dylan Roger Thomas Smith of Cynthiana, KY, a sister; Mary Denise Beckett of Cynthiana, KY, a brother; Raymond Ritchie of Carlisle, KY, 2 nieces; Ashley Nicole O'Brien, Alannah Renee Ritchie, a nephew; Eric Dale O'Brien, a great niece; Alayna Marie O'Brien, a great nephew; Warren Keith O'Brien, her sister-in-law; Bridget Renee Ritchie, and a brother-in-law; Dale O'Brien.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents; Warren and Mary Lee Philpot, Cernsey and Catherine Ritchie, and a step-grandmother; Lorena Philpot.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 2:00 P.M. at Woodhead Funeral Home in Berry with Bro. Brad Caudill officiating. Burial will follow in the Pythian Grove Cemetery. Pallbearers for the service will be Raymond Ritchie, Gary Philpot, Eric O'Brien, Eric Cash, William Cash, Dale O'Brien, Brandon Wallin, and Shaun Wallin. Serving as Honorary Pallbearers

will be Courtney Conley and Alannah Ritchie. The visitation will be held from 12-2:00 preceding the service.

Previous Events

Burial

JUL 27. 12:00 AM (ET)

Pythian grove Cemetery
Hwy 1032
Berry, KY

Visitation

JUL 27. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Woodhead Funeral Homes, Memorials & Cremation Service - Berry
106 Main Street
Berry, KY 41003
(859) 234-5232
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Funeral

JUL 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CF

“ Wanda, Donald, and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. I will always remember Michelle for her smiles and giggles. She truly brought a ray of sunshine to anyone's day. Prayers and hugs for all. Sending my love. Connie

Connie Baker Fryman - July 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

OP

“ Michelle Lois Ritchie Swanson

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TH

“ Everyone that knew Michelle loved her, as I've been remembering the good times we had growing up your Mom and Dad playing cards with Mom and Dad while we played, we all thought you had some of Mom's features but you looked like your Mom. When I was told of this terrible news I just started shaking while I was talking to Uncle Donald and when we hung up I just started crying. We love you Michelle and if I had one wish it would be that I could've spent more time with you :(you are a wonderful cousin with a hug wherever you saw me. You are missed Michelle and as I said I won't say goodbye, I'll say see you later cuz, no more pain and sadness for you there in Heaven with our families that left too early as you did. Fly high Michelle fly high. :(

Tommy and Sherrie Highlander - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Michelle was such a nice and friendly person. Prayers for her family.

Melissa Fryman - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ You will and are missed, the last time I talked to you was at another one of our cousin Joe Fryman funeral and we talked and hugged then and now here we are at yours, I never would have thought that we would so soon, I know the family all has their arms around you, we aren't grieving because we know your in heaven with the family, we grieve because we'll never see that beautiful smile again that's what we are going to miss, like I said I just wished we all (our family) had gotten together but we'll meet you in Heaven when God calls us until then tell everyone that I'll see them later give them big big hugs for me. I love you cuz you were such a kindhearted woman. God needed another Angel so He called you home, no more pain no more sorrow.

Sherrie Highlander - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Michelle you was like a mother to me.. I remember after my surgery I want to come to your house and my mom was so worry about me and you made sure to let my mom know u would take care of me like ur own and that u did.. You was there for me after I lost Chris and I was very thankful for that. I going to miss u. I really was hoping you got to meet my babies . Rip my dear friend. I will forever keep u in my heart love u always. To her family I will keep u in my prayers and I am very sorry for your loss. I'm sorry I can't make her services I really was wanting too

Margie Hoskins - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Michelle you will be and are missed already so much. I love you. I have no words to express my Pain I feel from our loss. Until we meet again my sister.

Denise Beckett - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Uncle Donald, Aunt Wanda, Denise and Raymond There are no words to say. Only prayers for peace and comfort from God above. 27 years ago, I got the privilege to join this awesome family. We didn't spend a lot of time together as everyone seemed so busy. I do know that any time we met, no matter where or the circumstances, the strength that comes from family love lifts us up. I am sorry I missed being with you during this time, my thoughts and prayers are with you though my body is not. I can say this, I know Tommy and Michelle are catching up. Other than my and the kids pictures, her picture was always in his wallet. Love and prayers

Marilyn Fryman - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with all of your family.

Ray and Denise Lyons - July 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Sorry for ur lost... Family and friends r in my prayers... God will be and is with u all.

christina debruler - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ My dear friend who I shared so many good times with. You were your own person, always. You will be missed so much by those who were there, your family and friends. Your sons have so many memories to cling to because you were such a good mama. Gone too soon. Prayers for your family.

Leah King - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Donald and Wanda, I am sorry for your loss of your daughter! Please know your in our prayers !! God must have needed her more but it still does not ease the pain!!May Father hold you close and ease that pain!!

Linda Fraley - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ Michelle was a sweetheart and will be missed by many. God's plan to call her home to rest in his arms is a comfort that nothing on earth compares too. You each are in my prayers!

Kevin - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Michelle will be missed, she was a wonderful person, and a mother. We will miss you Michelle!

Ashley Smith - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ A dear, sweet, kind-hearted friend who will be missed! Donald and Wanda my heart goes out to you and all the family!

Tim Humphries - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ I cannot express my pain for the loss of such a beautiful lady .Michelle was my ex daughter in law but never treated me as a mother in law as much as a friend ! I loved her dearly and am deeply saddened by her passing . Prayers for the family and my precious grandson Dylan

Frances Smith - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *A life God loved, she was a sweetheart*

Paula Lyons - July 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ *I am so heartbroken for Michelle's family. I am so sad but I know she is in Paradise. She shared her love of God with me every time we talked. I loved her and I will always miss her. I will keep Trevor and Dylan and the rest of her wonderful family in my prayers. Michelle I have a feeling you're at the beach and listening to Third day and praising the Lord. Love you my friend.*

Tina Ecklar - July 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Michelle Ritchie was the kindest person.*

Josh Wright - July 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM