



Candace Elisabeth Boyd

October 20, 2024

Miss Candace Elisabeth Boyd, age 31, passed away Sunday October 20, 2024, at UT Medical Center in Knoxville, TN surrounded with loving family singing "I'll Fly Away".

Candace "Darling Precious Candy Cane Movie Star" was born with a very rare metabolic disease LCHAD and suffered a massive stroke at seven months old. Despite a grim diagnosis, repeated hospitalizations and complications through the years, Candace has touched many lives, showing love, making people laugh and telling more people about Jesus than most ministers. Her testimony was powerful, and people listened. We hope she always knew how loved she was and how missed she is going to be by all her family and friends.

Candace loved music, especially The Gaithers and Southern gospel Music. Her favorite singers were Mark Lowry, Jason Crabb, and Wes Hampton. She was an excellent singer and sung in her local church often. She also had a great "6th sense" empathy for others, intuitively knowing when they were sad and offering them love, a smile and saying "Jesus loves you."

She attended Caywood Elementary, Lexington Middle School, Lexington High school in Henderson Co TN, then Northside High School in Jackson, TN. She was involved in many school activities with her Special Needs class. She also sung the National Anthem and said the Pledge of Allegiance at the Special Olympics games in Jackson, TN and many Lexington civic activities. She never met a stranger. She loved Southern gospel concerts and travel in the

mountains until her health declined this year.

Today, she is happy and healed! She is singing in the Heavenly Choir, running without any barriers for the first time, free of pain and needle scars. As we are hurting today, we are so happy to know Candace has been set free and is rejoicing with the angels.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother Evelyn Mays Reeves, maternal grandfather Nelson Reeves Sr, maternal step-grandmother Billie Jean Reeves, and paternal grandmother Georgia Boyd.

She is survived by her mother, Reatha Reeves Tharp (Philip) of Knoxville, TN, father Joe Frank Boyd of Huntsville, AL, uncle Nelson (Angie) Reeves, Lexington, TN, 1st cousins Brooklyn (John Ross) Hudson , Alyssa Reeves and Allyson Reeves, cousins Greyde & Lyndie Hudson and Case Reeves, step-sister Ashley (Darren) Antle of Knoxville TN, step-nieces Scarlett and Jewel Antle and step-nephew Hunt Antle.

She is also survived by her Godmother Shirley Johnson of Parsons, TN and special caregiver, her cousins Alicia, Jeff and Dakota McDaniel.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 PM, Sunday, October 27, 2024 at Darden Pentecostal Church in Darden, TN. Interment will follow in Darden Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Darden Pentecostal Church on Saturday, October 26, 2024 from 12 – 6 PM and on Sunday, 10 AM – 2 PM.

Cemetery Details

Darden Cemetery

Highway 412 East
Darden, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

The Pentecostal Church of Darden
23033 US-412
Darden, TN 38328
(731) 614-2253

Visitation

OCT **27**. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Church Service

OCT **27**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TR

“ *Reatha: Sorry for your loss. My aunt Ethylene White spoke to me often of Candace. She loved her so much!*



Tony Rogers - October 27, 2024 at 10:14 PM

RR

“ *Reatha, My heart breaks for you and family! I have admired you so much over the years how you made it through sharing so much love and care for Candace! I know she is all healed now! Sorry I was not able to come visit with you. My prayers are with you! I was able to watch the service from home! A beautiful service! Especially Nelson Jr he did a fantastic job! I know Candace was loved by everyone who met her! I am thankful you have Philip! Love you and your family!*
Ruth Ann Reeves

Ruth Reeves - October 27, 2024 at 06:25 PM

LE

“ *Linda Elam lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd*



Linda Elam - October 26, 2024 at 12:31 PM

RS

“ Rhonda Sanders sent a virtual gift in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd



Rhonda Sanders - October 25, 2024 at 09:06 AM

JS

“ Jerry Stegall lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd



Jerry Stegall - October 24, 2024 at 03:36 PM

BM

“ Love & prayers



Brenda Marr - October 23, 2024 at 06:17 PM

GT

“ While very sorry for your loss, we also rejoice with you in the peace that comes from knowing she is in His presence, where pain and sickness will never touch her again! Sending love and prayers for all of you!



Glen & Darlene Tucker - October 23, 2024 at 01:19 PM

TS

“ *Tim & Jane Sikes lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd*



Tim & Jane Sikes - October 23, 2024 at 12:11 PM

RP

“ *Rose Pratt lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd*



Rose Pratt - October 23, 2024 at 10:30 AM

BW

“ *Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd*



Barbara Willis - October 22, 2024 at 11:23 PM

KP

“ *Keith&Debbie Patterson lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd*



Keith&Debbie Patterson - October 22, 2024 at 07:17 PM

BS

“ *Beth Siegl lit a candle in memory of Candace Elisabeth Boyd*



Beth Siegl - October 22, 2024 at 05:39 PM