



## Laura Beth Yates

May 31, 1963 - March 21, 2014

Laura Yates, 50 of Evansville passed away Friday March 21, 2014 at St. Mary's Medical Center. Laura had many friends through her work at Casino Aztar (Tropicana), Shelf Stable Foods and most recently Priceless Foods She was preceded in death by her mom, Jane Yates, and her dad, Harold Yates, who took her hand and guided her to heaven.

Laura is survived by her son, Josh Edwards, who was her whole world and his wife, Jolynn. She also leaves behind three sisters, Linda Yates, Amy (Randy) Morris, Carrie Yates all of Evansville, and a brother Hal (Terri) Yates of Bradenton, Florida along with several nieces and nephews. She will also be missed by her three grandchildren, Justice, Jazlynn, and Madison who lovingly knew her as Nee-Nee, along with her two closest friends Debbie and Susie who were by her side everyday, and her dog Pilot who was always at her side.

A special thanks to the staff of St. Mary's Hospital for all the care they showed Laura.

A celebration of Laura's life will be held on April 1st, 2014 at Resurgence Church, 816 Jefferson Avenue, Evansville, IN. Starting at Noon with Ceremony to begin at 4:00 P.M.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Laura Yates Memorial Fund at any Old National Bank Branch.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 1. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Resurgence  
816 Jefferson Avenue  
Evansville,, IN 47713

## Service

APR 1. 4:00 PM (CT)

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816 Jefferson Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Laura Beth Yates*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *Where on earth do I begin? Laura and I met, maybe 2 weeks after Joshua and I started dating in September on 2007. Justice was 4 and Jazlynn was barely 2 months old. Looking back, from a mothers point of view, having her son dating a girl that had two children probably didn't seem like the best idea, but as far as I know, she never tried to talk him out of it. She welcomed me and my 2 girls in with open arms. As a matter of fact, when Jazlynn started crawling, she would sneak into Ne Ne's room and pull herself up to her bed and sit staring at her until she woke up or noticed that she'd had a visitor! Every year on Jazlynns birthday we would have a pool party at her house. She and I always had a blast. No matter if we went out or stayed in the house and hung out watching 'Snapped'. She was a beautiful woman and human being and she always treated me like a daughter. Even when she thought I was wrong about something. She never had a problem speaking her mind!!! When Madison finally came along it was like her life had more meaning and purpose than before. The two of them had some special bond that Josh and I will never understand and we are thankful for the time she did have with us and the kids. I could sit here and go over about a million memories that Laura and I shared, but the one that sticks out most in my mind happened the day she passed away. We came home and had to tell our kids that Ne Ne was up in heaven now with Papaw and my 3 year old said to me "Yayyy! Now Ne Ne can see her daddy!!!" Laura, I love you as I do my own mother and I want like crazy to be mad and sad and upset that you are not here with us, but I always go back to what Maddy said.....I love you...you will be missed more than you can ever have imagined.....*

Jo Lynn Spradley - April 15, 2014 at 08:41 AM

Jo  
Lynn  
Spradley

“ *Jo Lynn Spradley lit a candle in memory of  
Laura Beth Yates*



Jo Lynn Spradley - April 15, 2014 at 08:21 AM

SA

“ *Suzanne Arnett sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Laura Beth Yates*



Suzanne Arnett - March 31, 2014 at 09:05 PM

CN

“ *Laura was a good person and always concerned for others and their well being. she looked out for me several times while working at aztar. i loved her dearly and will miss her calling me and giving me good advice. rip my friend and may your family be at peace knowing your in hands of the great I AM. peace always and GOD bless all the family. she loves you so mush josh and the kiddos they and you were her pride and joy.*

christina nguyen - March 31, 2014 at 09:39 AM

MD

“ Josh, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Your mom was a wonderful, fun, hard working woman. They are right when they say you were her world. I worked with her at Shelf and never a day went by you weren't talked about. She was a good spirited loving person and will be missed by all who knew her.

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marchelle dersch - March 29, 2014 at 04:22 PM

LI

“ A sister can be a pain  
and mom and dad gave me 3  
but I would give anything if they would  
send you back to me

I just want to hug you  
and look at your face  
but the memories you've left me  
will have to take your place

My Nascar Sundays will never be the same  
I won't get to hear you yell "Go Kasey Kahne"

We had our ups and downs  
as sisters usually do  
be we never hung up the phone  
without saying "I Love You"

Lord, Laura's coming to heaven  
so please don't make it sad  
pour a cold Bud Light for my sister  
and a Wild Turkey for our dad.

Love Always  
Linda



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Linda - March 27, 2014 at 04:11 PM



*Linda, that has got to be one of the best things I've read regarding Laura. And your dad! That was beautiful, sincere and funny. I love it... I never had any sisters, only brothers. And my dad blessed me with 5 of them, me being the oldest! I feel you about Sundays and Nascar, but if it makes you feel any better, I have a feeling that Madison will be yelling "Go Kasey Kahne!" Laura turned her into a fas as well. Honestly, I think that was more to irritate Kelly!!! Lol... I love that poem, I think it was beautiful.*  
*Love, Jo Lynn*

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**Jo Lynn Spradley** - April 15, 2014 at 08:16 AM

BC

“ *I remembered Harold and I were going to get married when I got older. It was a running joke. Laura always was nice to me, never had a mean thing to say. I remember she always seemed like she was in pain though. So may her and her daddy have thier first dance in heaven feel like they are dancing on clouds.*

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**Barbara Clements** - March 26, 2014 at 10:25 PM

SG

“ *Dear Linda and Family,  
Andy Weber and Shelia Given send sincere sympathy for you and your family's loss. We have healing thoughts and prayers for you all.*

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**Shelia Given** - March 26, 2014 at 09:29 AM

DT

“ Laura is like a sister to me. We had recently spent more time together than usual. I will cherish that. I am glad she is with Harold now. She would tell me how she missed the small things.... like him bringing her Grandys chicken on sundays. Josh was her whole life, she loved him so much! And when the grandkids came along....she couldnt get enough! We would have playdates with her granddaughter Madison and my grandson Tripp. I plan to continue that. As for the family I am sending my condolences and I hope you can find peace in your memories. Debbie (Cruse) Turpin



Debbie Turpin - March 26, 2014 at 08:37 AM

SA

“ I hope the whole Family can find comfort in her great memories, sending condolences

Suzanne (Wagner) Arnett - March 26, 2014 at 05:42 AM

SA

“ I send my deepest sympathy, I worked with Laura @ Shelf Stable Foods. She was an awesome friend, I haven't seen her in a few years, she is truly gonna be missed, RIP Laura.

Suzanne (Wagner) Arnett - March 26, 2014 at 05:40 AM



“ Laura and her little ones would always come and park her car in my yard during the Fall Festival and we would visit as friends sitting in my yard not as co-workers, She was quirky, silly and loved her son and grand kids. She grieved the loss of her Dad, Harold, now they are together, neither in pain, happy and at peace, R.I.P. my friend.

Miriam Rosenthal Thompson - March 25, 2014 at 10:16 PM

TJ

“ *Way too young to leave this earth! You will be missed dearly. I promised you that I would be there for Josh and it was okay to leave! May you always know that he is loved and protected by us! Tell Harold we said hi and we miss him as well!* ”



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**Tammy Jalilpour** - March 25, 2014 at 08:18 PM

DM

“ *Laura LOVED her son Josh.* ”

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**Debbi Murray** - March 25, 2014 at 05:23 PM