



Melissa Canale

December 2, 2010

Funeral Mass for Melissa Kay Canale, 41, of Lubbock will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m., Monday, December 6, 2010 at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church with Monsignor James O'Connor officiating. The family will receive friends from 6-7p.m., Sunday at Sanders Funeral Home with a Rosary service following at 7.p.m at Sanders Memorial Chapel.

She went to be with her Heavenly Father on December 2, 2010.

Melissa was born March 24, 1969 in Lubbock, TX to James and Sherry Grusendorf. She graduated from Lubbock High School in 1987. She held bachelors and masters degrees from both Texas Tech and Wayland Baptist. She married David Patrick Canale on February 26, 1994, and together they raised two beautiful children.

She began her professional career as a nutritionist with South Plains Community Action. She entered the field of education, and taught at Christ the King, Frenship ISD, and Lubbock ISD schools. She served as an intern Assistant Principal at Lubbock High and as an Assistant Principal at Hutchison and Atkins Middle Schools. She was an active member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church where she taught Sunday School.

She was a devoted wife, mother, daughter, and friend whose main concern

was her family. She had a loving and caring heart for all in need and her unselfish gift of her body to LifeGift so that others may have a better chance at life has made her family so proud.

Loved ones include her husband David; her wonderful children Ford and Ella; her parents James and Sherry; brother, Greg Grusendorf and wife, Melanie; grandmother, Jamie Lynch; in-laws, Randy and Cindy Canale; Mike and Angie Canale; Shawn and Laurie Canale; loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and countless friends.

Memorial donations are suggested to Catholic Family Service, Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, Lubbock Challenger Little League or a charity of your choice.

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“ Frances Sowder wrote on 12/13/2010:

ALL OF MELISSA'S FAMILY.
LIFE SOME TIMES IS NOT FAIR.MY HEART ACHES FOR EACH
OF YOU.REMEMBER GOD ONLY CHOOSE THE BEST.IAM
SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

LOVE,PRAYERS,AND SYMPATHY,
FRANCES SOWDER

Leigh-Ann Johnson wrote on 12/7/2010:

We have know melissa for several years as our sons played
baseball. She was a beautiful lady. She will be greatly missed
Diane Gillit wrote on 12/7/2010:

I knew Melissa as a young college graduate working as a nutritionist
in our WIC program before she had children. She was always well
organized,professional, and knew her subject matter well. I
remember when she found out she was pregnant with her first child,
how excited she was, and what a glow she had. She was so proud
to become a Mom. It was no surprise when she ultimately decided
to stay home and enjoy the baby then change careers to one with a
more "kid-friendly" schedule. Although we lost touch after that, my
heart sank when I saw her obituary. We have all lost a special
person.

Kristine Record wrote on 12/7/2010:

I taught with Melissa at CTK. I will always remember how dedicated
she was to her family and her profession. I know she will be missed
greatly. My prayers are with you all.

Steve and Janet Rowe wrote on 12/6/2010:

Nothing but fond memories of the Texas Tech baseball days and
meeting Ford and his family to include his parents and
grandparents. I knew at that time that Steve Jr. was in good hands
with friends and fans like David, Melissa and Ford. Our heart goes

out to David, Ford, Ella and Melissa's parents. Our sincere prayers are with you. God bless you all.

Veronica Aguilar wrote on 12/4/2010:

Melissa was a very special person and she was the most kind person any person can have as a friend. I graduated with Melissa and went to CCD classes with her and she was a lot of fun. My heart goes out to the family. I know she is with our heavenly father and is now looking down on those she loves.

Christi Snodgrass wrote on 12/4/2010:

Please know that all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. You are such a beautiful and strong family. I hope that one day your hearts will heal and your minds rest.

God bless all of you.

Christi Snodgrass

Lisa Trout wrote on 12/4/2010:

My heart aches for your family. I did not know Melissa well but I know how much my son Jason and daughter-in-law Renee loved her. My prayers will be with you during this difficult time and the days ahead. Sincerely, Lisa Trout and Family

Pennye Rhodes wrote on 12/4/2010:

Even though I did not know Melissa personally I am so sad for your loss. I many times observed her with her children in church and her love for them was so obvious. My words can not begin to console- so I would like to remind you of Matthew 5:4- "Blessed are they who mourn; for they will be comforted"

I do hope the words of our Jesus and His promise to comfort you will bring you peace.

My prayers are with you all.

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