



Tara L Brown

January 3, 1958 - July 4, 2024

Graveside services for Tara Lee Brown 66, West Plains will be at 10:00 am Friday July 12, 2024, at Oak Lawn Cemetery. Tara finished her race on July 4, 2024, at West Vue Nursing Home with her family by her side, as she entered the gates of Heaven to be with Jesus and many loved ones who have gone on before.

Tara was born January 3, 1958, to Merle and Patricia (Gruelke) Brown in Manchester, Iowa. Tara managed R&S Floral for several years and also worked retail at Bradford Pharmacy. She was known by many for her volunteering at West Vue Nursing Home. While here on earth Tara was a blessing to many, telling everyone about her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with her uplifting devotions. Tara never met a stranger.

She is survived by her daughter Sabra Knepper; grandson Bragan Kelly and wife Julia; grandson Kieran Knepper; sister Tracy Beam; brother Troy Brown and wife Mary; Special friend Michael Francis; and several nieces and nephews.

Her parents and brother-in-law JR Beam preceded her in death.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Morgan and his team for their care for Tara over the last three years as she battled cancer. Also, a

special thanks to the staff with Three Rivers Hospice and West Vue Nursing Home.

As many know Tara's daughter and grandson are missionaries in Africa with Overland Missions and will be returning to Mozambique, Africa for a full-time assignment. Per Tara's wishes in lieu of flowers donations can be made to support their missionary work. Donations can be made online at <https://overlandmissions.com/donate/TeamKnepper> or checks/money orders can be made out to Overland Missions (Include giving code 3507 in memo) and mailed to Overland Missions, 11 Riverside Dr STE 201, Cocoa, FL 32922

“Keep the Light On”

Though God has already called me home,
Remember that you are not alone.
So please don't linger in the dark,
But keep the Light on in your Heart.
Don't lose hope and don't be sad,
Be thankful for the life we had and don't forget,
You're not alone,
God left a light on til you come home.

Cemetery Details

Oak Lawn Cemetery

1101 Amyx Street
West Plains, MO 65775

Previous Events

Service

JUL **12.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

LF

“ Although I never met Tara, I just want Sabra and her family to know that my prayers are with her. I am so happy that her mother is now with the Lord and giving him big hugs.

Lisa Farrall - July 11, 2024 at 03:04 PM

JB

“ Tara was a neighbor of my youth! And a friend always. I will never forget
Jeff Barton

Jeff Barton - July 10, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tara L Brown.



July 09, 2024 at 06:57 PM

ML

“ Tara had a heart & soul that lived for God, Jesus & the Holy Ghost. She always gave & accepted hugs and shared the most beautiful passages with photos to light the day. So glad the last time I saw her was a good day, got a hug and knew we would see each other again one day. Angels have welcomed another one home. God Bless her family and carry them through their grief. Tara fought a good fight! Mary Lenz one of the lucky survivors.

Mary G. Lenz - July 08, 2024 at 10:44 PM

VK

Tara, was an inspiration to many! She was a faithful warrior for Jesus Christ and now she's in His Glory.

Vicki Sue Kettering-Paxton - August 03, 2024 at 09:23 PM

DA

“ Tracy, Troy, and family-I have known Tara and your family for many years growing up in church and going to school with her and you. Tara and I have visited many times over the years about the Missionettes, CAs, and the various get togethers we used to be a part of when we were younger-the camps, the rallies, car washes, etc, and couldn't believe how active we were back in the day and then I shared my cancer journey with her and she said she would keep me in her prayers and I always believed she would. When I learned Tara had cancer I told her I would do the same. I always believed she would be healed, but I also believed The Lord had bigger plans for Tara. Although I'm happy Tara is in her heavenly home and is no longer in pain and uncomfortable, I will miss her friendly antics, her unwavering faith, genuine kindness, and her beautiful smile. Heaven surely gained a sweet heart and a great Angel when He opened His arms to welcome Tara home! I am sure the words “Well Done, my good and faithful servant!” echoed from the many chambers above when Tara entered those gates. She will be missed dearly by all those who knew and loved her. Thoughts and prayers for her family. Love to all of you! Dianne (Gunter) Allen

Dianne Allen - July 08, 2024 at 08:32 PM



“ Sunny Memories was purchased for the family of Tara L Brown.



July 08, 2024 at 04:13 PM

NH

“ I worked with Tara years ago at the Greenery and we went to school together. Her Mom was my neighbor for many years and her Daughter Sabra was friends with my daughter. Tara was a good friend and an inspiration to everyone she met. She was always gorgeous inside and out. Till we meet in Heaven my friend.....Save me a seat. 🙏❤️



Nadene Garner Hollingshad - July 08, 2024 at 12:07 PM

JL

“ My dear friend, Tara will be deeply missed. We were Facebook friends first then we were cancer buddies. We were both going through it at the same time. I'd call her and no matter how much pain she was. We would always end up laughing having fun on the phone. Visit her in Springfield and she was in the hospital Springfield, Cox, MY husband and I will love her forever. She was an amazing woman and boy. Could she make you laugh and smile. I know her battle has been one because she's with the Lord and there's no greater reward. She is looking down and smiling on everybody because she has no more pain no more therapies and she's at peace.
I am so sorry for your family because it is indeed a great loss, but I know and she would tell me how much she loved all of you. She would tell me how Tracy was so helpful and she didn't know what she would do without her. She loved her family deeply and she loved her friends deeply. She always had a positive note or positive scripture and we would share them together. She will always be remembered as our beautiful friend. Tara, we love you and we Send all our thoughts and prayers to the Brown family Janet, Vince Leo and Children

Janet Leo - July 08, 2024 at 08:45 AM

LM

“ Tara was my roommate at Cox south hospital . My husband and I got to know her after I had a hysterectomy and ovarian cancer. God has blessed me with 3 years cancer free so far and I prayed along with many for Tara to become cancer free. She never stopped praising our Lord during her battle. She was a faithful follower and she's now receiving her reward in heaven. I will miss her uplifting Facebook posts.

Lorna McDonald - July 08, 2024 at 08:40 AM

SW

“ 2 Timothy 4:7 sounds like Tara’s testimony of faith:

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.” My sincere condolences. 🙏

Steve Whisler - July 08, 2024 at 08:02 AM

RS

“ Tracy and Troy,
I am so sorry that Tara lost her fight with cancer, but I know she is at Peace now and not in pain.
Tara was a sweet person and a dear friend. Your family was a special part of my growing up years.
Sending love, hugs, and prayers
Renee (Koendarfer) Stephens

Renee Stephens - July 08, 2024 at 07:03 AM

FD

“ Tara was such a lovely person, always had a smile & time to spend with you, She will be so missed by all who knew her. Hugs & prayers for her family .

Faye Durham - July 08, 2024 at 05:18 AM

SN

“ I have known this precious soul fb or many years. She was a very special friend and partner in crime. We had many fun times together and also shared in each others hard times. Tara had faith to move mountains but her healing wasn't to be here on this earth. Her faith has given her a new body that will never grow old and never feel the discomforts of pain anymore. I am looking forward to the day I will see her again and catch up on the years we lost after I moved to Springfield. We kept in touch but I miss the times we would get together after our days of working together at Rameys. She will always have a special place in my heart. Go rest high on that mountain Tara til we meet again. My dear friend. Hugs to Sabra, Kirian, Tracy.

Sharon Sims Newman - July 08, 2024 at 12:17 AM

You are entitled to your opinion. You are NOT Entitled to TELL me what mine must be!

“ I did not have a candle to light but I rang the old school bell in my yard ten times in her memory

Robert Chestnut - July 07, 2024 at 11:26 PM

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“ /may the Lod ABOVE be with you in this time of sorrow and lend you the strength needed. Tara will be greatly missed

Robert Chestnut - July 07, 2024 at 11:24 PM

DT

“ *My deepest condolences to the family. Tara will be greatly missed.*

Debbie Talbert - July 07, 2024 at 11:03 PM

JA

“ *Judy Akers lit a candle in memory of Tara L Brown*



Judy Akers - July 07, 2024 at 10:39 PM

JA

“ *Prayers to Family, Tara Has been My Facebook friend for years, I will miss her.*

Judy Akers - July 07, 2024 at 10:39 PM