



Melissa "Missy" Mondie

November 19, 1978 - August 12, 2022

Melissa Ann "Missy" Mondie, 43 passed away as the result of domestic violence on Friday, August 12, 2022 in Chicago, IL. She was born November 19, 1978 in Waukegan, IL and was formerly of Gurnee, IL and San Diego, CA; living back in Chicago the last 5 years. Missy was a graduate of Warren High School in Gurnee and was a beloved bartender wherever she lived. She was a former bartender at Downings in Libertyville, IL; Backyard Steak Pit in Gurnee, IL; Luigi's at the Beach in San Diego, CA; River Valley Ranch in Chicago, IL and was currently employed at Toons in Chicago. While Toons was more recent, she "was working at her fav bar, with her fav people." Missy had a passion for music (especially punk), crime shows, and will be remembered for her sarcasm and her free spirit.

Surviving is her mother, Cindy (Barry Hodnik) Barker, father, Larry Mondie, stepdad, Harry Barker (Lora Stouder); 2 brothers, Josh (Robin) Mondie and Blaine Barker; aunts Franny (Brian) Christiansen & DiDi (Greg) Nadelhoffer; best friend, Nicola Rushford; fur babies, Taco and Bogart, many loving cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chris Kolaras, paternal & maternal grandparents, and her aunt, Donna Ponticelli.

A visitation will be held from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, September 1, 2022 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W Park Ave. in Libertyville. A memorial service will be held on Friday at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. For those that wish to attend virtually, a link will be available on the funeral home website

beginning at 10:30 a.m. Friday. In lieu of flowers, contributions would be appreciated to the family as a foundation is being established based on domestic abuse. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at www.burnettda.com.

Click link below to view live funeral footage beginning at 10:30am Friday, Sept. 2, 2022

<https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/4162164411>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home
120 West Park Avenue
Libertyville, IL 60048
(847) 362-3009

Memorial Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Burnett-Dane Funeral Home created a Live Funeral Footage in memory of Melissa "Missy" Mondie*



Burnett-Dane Funeral Home - August 23, 2022 at 12:27 PM

CG

I'm heartbroken. Sending so much love to the family and thankful I felt her light shine on me, especially during our junior high days. I loved her very much.

Casey Garcia-Hooks - August 23, 2022 at 09:52 PM

HA

My deepest condolences for your loss. Hugs and kisses. Love you Helen apostle

Helen apostle - August 25, 2022 at 08:13 AM

KS

*I am heartbroken to hear this sadness! What a beautiful women taken way too soon! Larry and family , I can only imagine the pain and hurt from this tragedy! My prayers will be with you and your loved ones! I wish I had the opportunity to meet Missy, what a talented, lovely, sweet girl she was! If I was able to be near you right now Larry, I would give you the tightest hug to help you mend some of your pain! Just know our family will be thinking of you!! I'm so Sorry!!!
XOXO*

Kaedi Spellman - September 02, 2022 at 08:09 AM

GR

My husband and I had the extreme pleasure of meeting Missy over at River Valley Farmer's Table several years ago. She always brightened up our day even if we weren't seated at one of her tables. I lost contact with her once she moved on from RVFT and didn't realize that she worked so close to where we lived. I'm sorry that I didn't have the chance to reconnect with this lovely, sweet and endearing woman. Missy was a pistol and we adored her so. Our deepest sympathy to her family and close friends and to all the people that were fortunate enough to make her acquaintance. She'll live forever in our hearts. May her memory be a blessing...

Gary S. & Tom R. - September 02, 2022 at 11:26 PM

EL

“ *Elke lit a candle in memory of Melissa "Missy" Mondie*



elke - September 02, 2022 at 06:23 PM

EK

“ *She always brought the energy, Missy will always be one of a kind. There was no way you could miss meeting her if she was in the same room. She spoke to everybody. I loved it when she walked through the door. She will be missed and certainly never forgotten.*



elke knupp - September 02, 2022 at 11:22 AM

TS

“ I was Missy’s babysitter for the first 5 years of her life. She was the brightest, fun-loving child. She went on trips with us and were so proud to see that she grew up such a strong and intelligent woman. Memories will remain in my heart..

Theresa I Slay - September 01, 2022 at 04:42 PM

KT

“ Karen Barker Tafoya lit a candle in memory of Melissa "Missy" Mondie



Karen Barker Tafoya - September 01, 2022 at 03:31 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Melissa "Missy" Mondie.



August 31, 2022 at 11:28 AM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melissa "Missy" Mondie.



August 30, 2022 at 10:55 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Melissa "Missy" Mondie.*



August 29, 2022 at 04:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Melissa "Missy" Mondie.*



August 29, 2022 at 04:48 PM



“ *I met Missy when she worked at The Backyard Steak Pit many years ago. To me, Missy was an incredibly fun-loving free spirit with a light that surrounded everyone around her wherever she went. I will not let that light be extinguished by this tragic event. I will remember always this kind, compassionate woman whose extraordinary sense humor saved me more than once. The angels are laughing now.*

Deb Chidester-Clampitt - August 29, 2022 at 12:05 PM



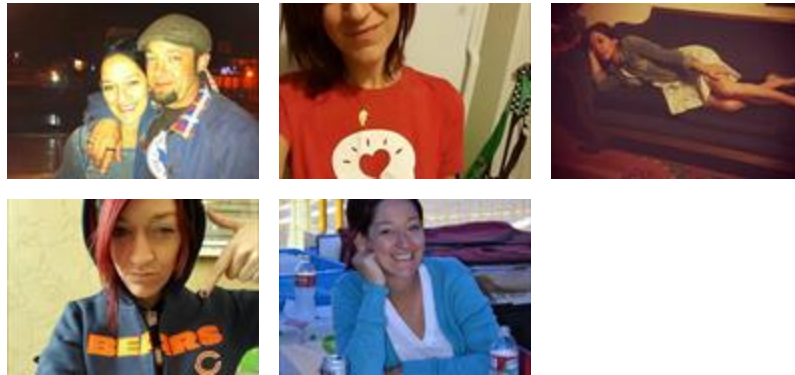
“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melissa "Missy" Mondie.*



August 28, 2022 at 11:47 AM

MO

“ 6 files added to the album Missy



Mom - August 25, 2022 at 11:20 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melissa "Missy" Mondie.



August 25, 2022 at 10:54 AM

BA

“ I knew Missy for less than five months, but I feel like I've lost a lifelong friend. Our conversations at the bar would go until close; our texts to each other were legendary. She made me laugh all the time, and I miss making her laugh. Our softball team appreciated her to the point that she was an extension of the team. Toons will never be the same. I can remember every detail about meeting her. She was that special. She was that lovable.



Byrrd Adrian - August 25, 2022 at 10:18 AM

CB

“ Missy was my manager at River Valley Farmers Table for about 3 years. She was an incredible human being. Her energy was powerful, contagious, and full of love. She was my boss, but was always more of a friend. She was someone I could talk to about anything, at any time. She was fun, kind, and filled to the brim with spirit. I cherish the memories of opening the restaurant with her on a Saturday morning, waiting for customers to start trickling in. Just hanging out. I will miss her dearly.



Charlie Blumenthal - August 24, 2022 at 02:23 PM

SB

“ I did not know Missy at all (I ran across her while looking up my Aunt's obituary), but it's sad that someone with so much life to live had to go in this way. I, fortunately, am a survivor of domestic violence. I wish I would have been able to help her in some way. She will always remain in your hearts. She is in my thoughts and prayers, as are all of you.



Sue Brey - August 24, 2022 at 10:08 AM

SB

“ Steven Barker lit a candle in memory of Melissa "Missy" Mondie



Steven Barker - August 24, 2022 at 09:42 AM

DA

“ *De Ana Adama lit a candle in memory of
Melissa "Missy" Mondie*



De Ana Adama - August 24, 2022 at 09:06 AM

LS

“ *Laura Sindelar lit a candle in memory of
Melissa "Missy" Mondie*



Laura Sindelar - August 23, 2022 at 09:09 PM

BO

“ *We did not know Missy very well but her bright spirit and sparkling
personality were immediately evident to anyone she encountered.
We will miss her and think of her fondly and often despite our brief
relationship.*

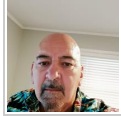
Ben oktem - August 23, 2022 at 07:06 PM

SD

“ *Shelley Debus lit a candle in memory of
Melissa "Missy" Mondie*



shelley debus - August 23, 2022 at 06:16 PM



Thank You Shelley

Larry Mondie - August 23, 2022 at 07:13 PM



Sending many hugs. I hope that your memories of Missy will keep her alive in your heart forever

Jen Weiss - August 29, 2022 at 11:17 AM