



## Kara Leigh Garbe

June 6, 1979 - April 21, 2013

Kara Garbe, 33, was called home to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, April 21, 2013 in Moses Lake. She was a beloved daughter, sister, aunt, and teacher. Born in Wenatchee and raised in Moses Lake, Kara's two passions were teaching and raising dogs. She taught at Garden Heights, Chief Moses, and recently the online program through the Moses Lake School District. Kara cherished her students and the time she was able to spend with them. She loved teaching and always encouraged her students to do their best and to work hard to achieve their dreams. Kara loved her dogs and took great pride in breeding dogs and finding them loving homes. She bred one litter of dachshunds from her dog Abbey, and then several litters of golden retrievers. Her golden retrievers Kenya, Kona, and Sage brought her great joy and comfort. Following graduation from Moses Lake High School in 1997, Kara received her Associates degree from Big Bend Community College and then graduated from Whitworth College in 2001 with a Bachelors in education. She completed her Masters Degree in education from Eastern Washington University. Kara is survived by her parents Kerry and Barbara Garbe of Moses Lake; her sister Danielle Garbe of Beirut, Lebanon; her brother and sister-in-law Brandon and Amy Garbe, and their daughter Ava – Kara's, beloved niece – of Moses Lake. She also leaves behind a loving extended family, her grandmother Shirley Wagner, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Her family will always have her in their hearts and will always remember her laughter, beautiful smile, and kindness towards others. She

was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ruben and P. Jeanne Garbe and Ray Wagner, and by her uncle and aunt Charles and Melissa Wagner. The Garbe family is grateful to the community for all the love and support shown to Kara during her long battle with lupus and wants to especially thank the Moses Lake School District, Dr. Kearns and his nurse Liz, Dr. Byrd, and Dr. Barber all gave excellent medical care, and their compassion eased Kara's suffering.

A service to celebrate her life will be held on Friday, April 26 at 3:30 pm at Moses Lake Alliance Church, 1100 N. Grape Drive. Sign the online guestbook or leave a note for the family at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com) Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory, Moses Lake.

Find out more about lupus and help find a cure by donating to the Alliance for Lupus Research: [www.lupusresearch.org](http://www.lupusresearch.org). You can also honor Kara and help others by becoming a blood donor.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR **26**. 3:30 PM (PT)

Moses Lake Alliance Church  
1100 N. Grape Dr.  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am currently a senior in high school, I have traveled and attended schools all over the country. I have had many teachers over the years. Kara was my teacher in the fifth grade, and I had grown up with a lot of social struggles that affected my academics. Miss Garbe saw it and managed to encourage me and show me the better side of myself, the better student I am. I was so happy when I found out that after elementary she would continue to teach me in the sixth grade at Chief Moses. She will always be the best teacher I ever had, in school and in my childhood. She will never truly be gone.

-Tyler Millhollin

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**Tyler Millhollin** - April 14, 2015 at 02:55 PM

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“ I remember Kara who was helping coach tennis at the high about 10 years ago

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**Stuff** - February 10, 2015 at 04:00 PM



“ Kara was a wonderful person and my family and I will greatly miss her. We got our beautiful Golden Retriever, Kona, from her. I will never forget the special day when we met Kara and picked up our puppy. It was a special day for our family and a bittersweet one for Kara. God Bless Kara and may she Rest in Peace.##imported-begin##Beatrice Joe##imported-end##

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May 18, 2013 at 01:47 AM



“ We have been so blessed to have two very sweet golden retrievers that were bred by Kara. Kara raised her puppies with the same level of deep love, attention, and thoughtful kindness that she applied in all other areas of her life. We'd kept in contact with Kara over the years with our first golden, so there was no doubt about where to find our second when the time came. Our fondest memory of Kara is of pulling up to her parents' home in Moses Lake on February 16th this year. Kara greeted us on the front porch holding our wonderful new puppy in her arms, and with a beautiful smile on her face as always. Kara will be profoundly missed. We're forever grateful for her kind acts that have brought us so many years of joy (and will continue to do so), first with Sage and now with little Stella. Keep smiling Kara!###imported-begin###Ryan & Brenna Douglas###imported-end##

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May 01, 2013 at 08:50 PM



“ Kara,  
You will be so missed. I was obviously not the best friend as I was shocked to hear today what you have suffered the last couple of years. But, I have many wonderful memories growing up with you. You were such a kind, loving friend and I will always cherish our friendship. I look forward to meeting you again and know you are in good hands! I wish I could have been there to celebrate your life, but I do celebrate it in my heart and pray for your family at this time! Thank you for the good life you lived and the hearts you touched!###imported-begin###Heidi McConkie Walker###imported-end##

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April 30, 2013 at 04:36 PM



“ Amy,  
*I am sorry to hear of your sister-in-law's passing. Stephanie's daughter Mia LOVED her as her teacher, she only has great things to say about her. Your family is in my prayers.*  
Shari###imported-begin##Shari Salinas###imported-end##

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April 29, 2013 at 02:19 PM



“ Kerry, Barbra and family,  
*Our deepest and sincere condolences on the loss of your precious daughter, Kara. You have been in our thoughts and prayers and will continue to be. May god give you strength during this difficult time.*  
Sincerely,  
Jerry and Sandee Radach###imported-begin##Jerry and Sandee Radach###imported-end##

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April 28, 2013 at 04:42 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss... You are in my prayers.*###imported-begin##Ritta ###imported-end##

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April 28, 2013 at 11:22 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy and empathy for your loss. May God bless your heart through your grief and pain.*###imported-begin##Cecilia DeLuna###imported-end##

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April 27, 2013 at 09:24 PM



“ we are deeply saddened by the loss of beautiful, young, loving Kara Leigh. Your family and friends, will miss you deeply, Kara. We will see you again.##imported-begin##The STICE family##imported-end##

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April 27, 2013 at 03:29 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts amd prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Forrest & Joanne Reich##imported-end##

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April 27, 2013 at 10:39 AM



“ Dear Kerrie,Barbara and family, I am Jamie Andrus' MIL and have known your daughter for many years. Kara was not only there at the hospital when both of our grandbabies were born but came to many of Jamie/Frank's celebrations. I know Kara came from a dear family who loves her so very much as she has shared that love and compassion with so many of her friends, family and students. She will be missed by all of us. May she rest in peace. Always, Cindy Andrus##imported-begin##Cindy Andrus##imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 07:39 PM



“ My deepest sympathy##imported-begin##Pamela Tea##imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 07:33 PM



“ Dear Kerry Barbara and Danielle

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Such a lovely girl she grew up to be! We are glad to have known her even for a short while.*

*If there is anything we can do please just let us know. We are out of town this weekend so we will not be able to attend, but will hope that we can have a visit some time in the near future.*

*Hugs to you all,  
Connie and Gene##imported-begin##Gene & Connie Frye and  
Family##imported-end##*

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April 26, 2013 at 06:59 PM



“ Dear Garbes:

*We were very saddened to hear the news of Kara's passing. Our hope is that you will always cherish the wonderful memories of Kara's time on this Earth and be comforted knowing that she's with her Lord in heaven. We will continue to pray for your family through this difficult time.*

*All the best,*

*P.J., Lindsay, Jack and Will Fisher##imported-begin##P.J.  
Fisher##imported-end##*

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April 26, 2013 at 05:54 PM



“ We are thinking of you during this tragic loss. We hope that wonderful memories will help you all through this difficult time.

*Our thoughts & prayers are with you.*

*Glenn, Maryanne & family###imported-begin##Glenn & Maryanne Allard###imported-end##*

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April 26, 2013 at 03:23 PM



“ Kerry, Barb and family, Our hearts ache for you in the loss of your precious little girl. We will hold Kara and your family in our prayers and please know that she is a angel in heaven. We have fond memories of her growing up and cherish those memories along with you. Take care dear friends and God Bless you all!###imported-begin##Brian & Tami Wilson###imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 03:07 PM



“ I am Heather's little sister and got to watch them play tennis quite a bit. I also had the opportunity to sub for her once at Garden Heights. She had an amazing class and I could instantly tell how much she cared for her students and was making their lives better. I wish to extend my love and warm wishes to the family at this time. Kara was an extraordinary person and will me missed greatly.###imported-begin##Kimberly Perrins Bates###imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 02:46 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss.  
You are all in my heart, my thoughts and prayers.  
Cheryle###imported-begin##Cheryle Matheson###imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 01:07 PM



“ Sending my deepest condolences at this difficult time. Kara was a wonderful person that brighten the room. She will be dearly missed. I feel fortunate to have worked with her. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Jessica Robertson###imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 11:42 AM



“ I wish to send our love and prayers on your loss. Kara will be greatly missed and we will treasure our time we had getting to know Kara when she worked at our office. She is an incredible young lady and always took time to say hi and chat every time I saw her. Randy Bruce###imported-begin##Randy Bruce###imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 11:37 AM



“ We both just found out about Kara's death and want to let you know how sorry both Joe and I were when we heard about it. It is so sad when someone in their prime of life is taken so young. I know that your faith will help you through this difficult time. May God's blessings be with you all.

*In Sincere Friendship,*

*The Russell's##imported-begin##Kathy & Joe Russell##imported-end##*

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April 26, 2013 at 09:31 AM



“ Kara was one of those women that I thought would become president. She was a sweetheart, good to everyone around her, and a scholar. She came to all of my birthday parties ( even though I was an outcast) in junior high. When I saw her recently (not going to lie), I was so jealous! Kara hadn't aged a day! Although it has been awhile since we spoke, she made an impact that I will remember forever. My heart goes out to the family and friends.##imported-begin##Alisha McGhuey##imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 01:44 AM



“ Having been appointed assistant principal of Chief Moses only two years ago, I did not have the same opportunity as everyone else to work with Kara. What I do know of her though, and what quickly became apparent to me in the short time we worked together, is that she had a love for children and a passion for teaching. It was her life. Kara was loved by all and admired by her colleagues and students for her dedication. I admire Kara for her courage, and shall miss her very much. My deepest sympathies to her family.##imported-begin##Michael Nordsten##imported-end##

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April 26, 2013 at 12:10 AM



“ Kara was such a wonderful person. The last time I had seen her was our 10 year HighSchool reunion. I'm so heart broken about the loss of her, and she will be greatly missed by so many. I am participating in a Lupus Run this summer to help raise money and in honor of Kara for Lupus Research. My thoughts and prayers are with Kara's family and other friends through this hard time.##imported-begin##Erin Lindsay##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 11:19 PM



“ To the Garbe family; we are so sorry for your loss. Kara's beautiful spirit, smile, and courage will live on, through the many lives she has touched and inspired. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Sincerely, Cathy & Paul Kersey##imported-begin##Cathy & Paul Kersey##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 10:57 PM



“ We will miss our sweet friend. She was an incredible, compassionate, generous woman who we were blessed to have in our lives. She was one of the first to hold each of our children, and they have claimed her as their new guardian angel. Kara we miss you beyond words but are so glad that your body is finally at rest. God bless you.##imported-begin##Mark & Angie Thompson##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 10:38 PM



“ Dear Barb & Kerry,

*I am so sorry for your loss. Kara was such a warm, kind and loving person. She will be missed by so many. I look forward to celebrating her life with you tomorrow. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family during this sad and difficult time.*

Love,

*Jennifer & Kate##imported-begin##Jennifer Lottis##imported-end##*

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April 25, 2013 at 06:19 PM



“ May the Lord continue to fill your hearts with peace and joy that Kara is now spending eternity painfree and rejoicing in the Lords prescence.##imported-begin##Alejandra Sandoval##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 06:06 PM



“ We admired Kara very much as a teacher at CMMS. She was always at the top of my prayer list and I'm so sorry this horrible disease has taken her so young. Our deepest sympathies##imported-begin##Kim and Wayne Johnson##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 05:13 PM



“ Kara, you were such a wonderful friend! A few weeks ago I was looking through my "baby book" and there you were along with me - in Kindergarten, First Grade, etc. My mom noted each year how you attended all of my birthday parties! And of course, the hours we spent in Sunday School together during our childhood will always be cherished. I look back on our trip to Yonezowa, Japan together and laugh about eating Haagen-Dazs ice cream out of the vending machines because the raw fish and seaweed just wasn't cutting it! :-) You were such a kind and thoughtful person towards everyone you encountered. We hadn't seen each other in years after high school, and just got back in touch 4 years ago thanks to Facebook. The week I brought our son Oliver home from the hospital, I was so moved to find a package in the mail from you - full of lovely baby clothes and onesies for him. I couldn't believe your generosity and thoughtfulness towards someone you hadn't seen in years! You will be greatly missed my friend. Prayers for your family.##imported-begin##Heidi Shaker Luna##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 04:46 PM



“ I was so sorry learn of Kara's passing. My thoughts are with you Kerry, Barbara, BJ and Danielle. Kara has no more pain and I hope you find comfort knowing that and cherishing fond memories.##imported-begin##Claudia Hansen ##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 04:00 PM



“ Kara was an exceptional person and a very kind soul. She had a beautiful heart that will live on...##imported-begin##Lexi Morad##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 03:23 PM



“ I have been thinking about Kara basically non-stop this week. Remembering all the times we've had together and weeping at our loss of her, realizing the great impact she has had on my life. She was a beautiful person, inside and out. So fun-loving, genuine, caring, kind, smart and real. She will always be my very best tennis partner. She strengthened my faith in Christ and helped me to be a better person. I will always remember her laugh.. we spent many hours on a school bus laughing together. We had a great time. I know I've said to her family recently.. but my thoughts and prayers are with you. Thank you for your great faith and I'm so so sorry for your loss. I know you are grieving. And though she has been taken home to be with God, She will be greatly missed until we see her again.##imported-begin##Heather Perrins Larson##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 03:03 PM



“ Dear Garbe Family,

*Although I did not have the opportunity to know Kara personally, I know how much she meant to Danielle and how much she brightened Danielle's visits home to Washington state.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Amy Radetsky##imported-end##*

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April 25, 2013 at 02:11 PM



“ Barbara and Kerry although we know words offer small comfort in your sorrow, we do wish to express our sincere sympathy to you and your family on your loss. We will always remember her as a little girl playing ball with her father and brother in your front yard. With Deepest Sympathy - Yuko, Paul, and Dennis Martin##imported-begin##Yuko, Paul, and Dennis Martin##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 12:52 PM



“ I am so sorry for your family's loss. My thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Amy Kane##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 12:31 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family BJ and Amy.. We are so sorry for your loss.. May God be with you and your family at this time.. God Bless.##imported-begin##Horacio and Sandra Vela##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 10:04 AM



“ Kerry, Barb and Danielle,  
  
My thoughts are with you at this very difficult moment. Kara was a truly beautiful person. I truly feel lucky to have known her.  
  
Robin##imported-begin##Robin Crisp##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 09:43 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Garbe family. As a fellow educator, I have no doubt that Kara's legacy is strong and we will see the impacts of her work with her students for a very long time.##imported-begin##Nyla Fritz##imported-end##

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April 25, 2013 at 02:37 AM



“ You need to know how our hearts bleed for you. We are so very sorry for your loss. We are rarely sad for the person who passes, as they are in the most wonderful place one can ever be. We do know how much you'll miss your kind, beautiful daughter, sister, family member, or friend. Just hope you picture Kara now being in total peace, smiling down at you. Please know how much Dave and I care, and know that we hold you warmly in our thoughts and prayers. Love you all...##imported-begin##Peggy and Dave##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 11:56 PM



“ Kara was one of my dearest friends! She was amazing in so many ways! During her short time with us she touched the lives of countless children and adults alike! She truly is one of God's angels and I am going to miss her more than words can express! My thoughts and prayers are with all of her family!##imported-begin##Jamie Andrus##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 10:32 PM



“ Kara was my role model student for the DARE program in Moses Lake. She stood out from all other students at the MLHS. My Dare students loved her and she served as a very positive role model to emulate. I was proud of her for tinging on the chlenge and it did not surprise me that she would become a teacher for the MLSD, as I have. Garbe family, be proud to have had such a wonderful daughter, sister, neice. I was proud to call her my friend. Officer Lori Messer MLPD 91-2004.##imported-begin##Lori Messer##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 10:30 PM



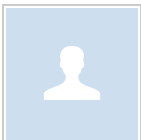
“ Barb and Kerry:

*We have daughters, also. Your daughter was called home to soon. May the peace of the Lord be with you both in this difficult time.*

*Gary and Barb##imported-begin##Gary and Barbara Craig##imported-end##*

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April 24, 2013 at 10:16 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the Garbe family for your loss. No one can describe the feelings one has when they lose a child. I lost my oldest son ten years ago. Our thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Sid & Mary Gregory##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 07:24 PM



“ I was blessed by meeting Kara this year when she joined our online department. She had a great sense of humor and amazing faith. Even as she struggled with her health, she was always looking for ways to help others. She was amazing with her students and had a calming and creative way of helping them with their work. Her spirit lives on in this office and in our hearts.##imported-begin##Priscilla Contreras##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 05:00 PM



“ Kara was very sweet. My prayers go out to her and her family.##imported-begin##Crystal Greable##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 04:25 PM



“ Kerry and Barbara  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. If there is anything Carole and I can do for you please do not hesitate to call. We will be praying that you find comfort in the joy Kara brought to others through her life.##imported-begin##Dennis & Carole Duke##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 11:52 AM



“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Shaun & Deborah Middleton##imported-end##

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April 24, 2013 at 01:13 AM



“ Dear Barbara, Kerry, Danielle and BJ,  
We were so sorry to read of the loss of Kara. She was a light to many. I loved her smile which was always there at Garden Heights when I worked up there and saw her often. I had no idea she was ill. She was born 8 days after our youngest Daniel. I did watch her when she was that sweet, precious little one. Such a lovely countenance and disposition. The lord must have needed her on the other side for some special reason. Our condolences to each of you.  
Love, Sharon and Steve##imported-begin##Sharon Tolley##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 11:53 PM



“ I am so sad to hear this. She was my 5th grade teacher and by far my favorite teacher. She is very much loved and missed.  
R.I.P.##imported-begin##Tianna Truman##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 11:50 PM



“ Cliff and I are so sorry for your loss of your beautiful daughter. Your in our prayers##imported-begin##Cliff and Debbie Harden##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 09:40 PM



“ Barb, Kerry and family, I am so sorry to learn of your loss. My thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Mary Perry##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 09:35 PM



“ Hello I'm Alysha LeBleu. I'm sorry about your loss I was in her class in the 7th grade she was a wonderful teacher I miss her dearly I'm truly sorry I hope to make it to her funeral. I give my condolences. I'm sorry##imported-begin##Alysha LeBleu##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 09:05 PM



“ Kerry & Barbara,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family.##imported-begin##Judy Trask##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 08:39 PM



“ Our family will always hold special memories of Kara in our hearts. We watched her grow up to be a beautiful, caring young woman. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Brent, Gwen and Aaron Hult: Annie Shuler and Family##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 06:31 PM



“ Kara was always one of my favorite people. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.##imported-begin##Christen Hogsett##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 05:44 PM



“ Kara was a great person and a good friend. I have several fond memories of her from our times in high school together. She always had a kind, gentle spirit. My heart goes out to her family and friends. Kara will be sorely missed.##imported-begin##Dayrk Flaugh##imported-end##

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April 23, 2013 at 10:35 AM



“ We are devastated by the news of Kara's passing. She was a favorite student of mine, and I was so very proud of her becoming a teacher. I know she had a wonderful influence on her students as she was a very, very special person. Our hearts go out to her entire family. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Velma and Bill VanderWal##imported-end##

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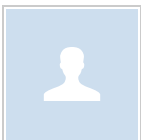
April 23, 2013 at 12:16 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I've been Kara's hair dresser for the past 8 years. She's always been one of my favorites. Truly a very special person and she will be very missed!! Prayers are with the family!!##imported-begin##Kim Watkins ##imported-end##

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April 22, 2013 at 09:20 PM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Ms. Garbe was one of my daughter's favorite teachers. She helped teach her the value of each person, no matter his/her differences, and that was just the first day of school.##imported-begin##Jenny (Larson) Carsey##imported-end##

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April 22, 2013 at 09:08 PM



“ *This is a very sad day for all the people who loved Karah. Just believe in our GOD and he will be with you during these times of sadness, Our thoughts and prayers will be with you and the whole family.##imported-begin##Jim & Jackie Garrison##imported-end##*

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April 22, 2013 at 01:00 PM