



## Tracy Elizabeth Koehn

December 18, 1979 - September 10, 2017

Tracy Elizabeth Koehn, 37, a resident of rural Othello passed away Sunday, September 10, 2017 at Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, her family at her side. Funeral Services will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, September 18th at Kayser's Chapel of Memories. Interment will follow at Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Royal Camp.

Tracy was born in Hyden, Kentucky on December 18, 1979, daughter of Golia and Regine Begley. She graduated college with a degree in elementary education. In 2005 she met Elijah Koehn and in 2008 they were married. Tracy enjoyed being a homemaker and raising her two children. Her interests were many and included reading, writing, crocheting, gardening and crafts. She had a strong faith and continued to serve the Lord until the end. Friends and family knew her as a very caring and compassionate person and she will be greatly missed by all.

She is survived by her husband, Elijah Koehn; parents, Golia and Regine Begley; father and mother-in-law, Gene and Rosa Koehn; two children, Ana and Nathaniel; sister and brothers, Golia (Leah) Begley, Carrie (Andrew) Kennard, Nathan (Brianna) Begley, Justin (Amanda) Begley. Shawn Begley; sister and brother-in-laws, Jesse, Regina, Diana, Eddie, Alma, Sarah, Priscilla, Candy, Amanda, Leah, Rachel, Lydia and Joanna; grandmother, Susie Koehn.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Valley Cemetery

Road B and 10.5 SE  
Royal City, WA

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **18**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories  
831 S. Pioneer Way  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall

LG

“ Tracy was more than a sister in law to me, she was as a mother to me. She taught me how to cook and crochet. She taught me many things in life. She was my best friend.... I ask God EVERYday why He took her and not me, I'm the one who doesn't deserve life, I'm the one who hurt many people, I'm the sinner not her. She was a beautiful wife and mother, she didn't deserve to go. I miss her with all my heart. My heart is heavy and broken she didn't deserve to leave us at such a young age.



The last time I saw Tracy is when I left home on October 2 2016 and her words that she told me will never be forgotten. As I was grabbing my bags to leave she grabbed and hugged me and said, "leddy, I love you and have forgiven you for what you have done" those words are as clear to me as if I heard them yesterday....

The day before I heard that she had past I had a dream that I was part of the family again and everything seemed normal but Tracy wasn't around and it was ok. The next morning I woke up laying in bed I turned and looked to the sky and it was a beautiful sunny day, as I stared at the sky it reminded me of walking to her house for school every morning.... it brought back memories, within that time I got a call from my Brother Elijah and he told me Tracy passed away, I was in shock I couldn't speak. Elijag told me that all the family still love me but no one ever loved me as much a Tracy did....

I sobbed for days and I wake up at night sobbing because I didn't get to say goodbye to her. I didn't get a change to tell her how much I love her and how I'm so sorry for the pain I have brought to her.

I pray for my family everyday just as I know they pray for me. I miss them all so much.

I'm sorry if I don't make sense as I'm trying to wipe away tears from my eyes and phone screen.

*I will end this with Tracy's favorite verse:  
"My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped  
with the skin of my teeth" Job 19:20*

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**Lydia Gribble** - October 11, 2017 at 06:21 PM

CO

“ *My deepest condolences to family and friends for your loss. I met Tracy only once when we came to buy one of the puppies they had for sale almost 4 years ago (I learned she had passed because a friend asked where we got our dog from and if I could find their contact info again.) I could tell from that brief letting she was a kind lady. Sending prayers.*

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**Courtney** - September 25, 2017 at 12:22 AM

AZ

“ *I never met Tracy in person but we were friends for years online and by email. She had the sweetest caring spirit. She even counseled and helped me through a rough time. I could tell her anything. I will miss her greatly.*

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**Azure** - September 19, 2017 at 09:59 AM


 Kristin  
Tolley

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Koehn and Begley families. I have many fond memories of Tracey from our college days together. She left a lasting impression on me as a good friend and co-laborer for the cause of Christ. I look forward to seeing her again some day. Thank God for Heaven!*

*~Chandler Tolley*

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**Kristin Tolley** - September 17, 2017 at 10:54 PM

 Daisy  
Zantjer

“ Tracy was and forever will be remembered as my "mama." She treated me more like a daughter who happened to be one of her best friends. I loved getting counsel from her when I was in college. We even kept in touch while we both got married. LOL She even beat me to the punch on that one. I loved getting her birthday cards and Christmas greetings every year. The last birthday card I got was from this year. We talked about homeschooling strategies for our kids. The next thing I know, she was in ill health and gone. As much as I could wonder and regret about not keeping in touch more often, Mama would probably be scolding me about wasting time on things that can't be changed. Rather she would have me press on for the mark of the high calling of Christ. I will strive to keep on keeping on for Christ, and in turn, keeping her legacy alive.

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**Daisy Zantjer** - September 16, 2017 at 12:21 AM

CA



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**Candy** - September 16, 2017 at 04:23 AM

AD

“ We were in college together, and I have many fond memories working in the dining hall together. She was never afraid to tell the truth. Always had encouraging words to share. My heart breaks for the family. But I know Heaven will be even sweeter.

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**Athanasia Davis** - September 16, 2017 at 12:02 AM

AC

“ I knew Tracy the most by being roommates with her sister, Carrie, in college and by living on the same dorm floor as she did. I remember Tracy sharing heartfelt lessons at dorm devotions even when we "dorm girls" weren't always the best audience! :) I was so happy to hear that she was married and had children. I now sorrow for those she left behind. May God comfort you and hold you close. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Aleta Combest** - September 15, 2017 at 09:15 PM



“ So many memories from college days! Mostly I remember after long days on bus route she would be there with a smile or encouraging word. One time she made all us girls peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. That's just how she was....always looking for ways to be a blessing. She was very constant in her walk with the Lord, very steady. She'd always write notes of encouragement with Bible verses. I was able to be her roommate for awhile...I looked up to her for she always had her things in order, was very organized, and you knew she walked with the Lord every morning. What a wonderful friend she was...someone who would be there to listen and encourage. As I look at her family and sweet children, I can't imagine the pain they are feeling. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time! May God comfort your hearts! - Sara Koehn

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**Joshua Sara Koehn** - September 15, 2017 at 03:48 PM



Perfectly put. Tracy was a one of a kind friend. She was always there with kind words of encouragement and prayer. We should all strive to love people selflessly the way she did. She was LOVED by many and she is greatly missed. Praying fervently for the family for God's covering of comfort and grace. - Heather Alderson

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**Heather Alderson** - September 15, 2017 at 07:42 PM

AC

*Yes, very well put and praying so much for your family.*

**Aleta Combest** - September 15, 2017 at 08:50 PM

CA



**Candy** - September 16, 2017 at 04:24 AM

LE

“ *When I think of people who inspire me, Tracy is at the top of the list. I have never met or known anyone as kind, loving, and as selfless as Tracy. She will be missed. My favorite memories are the letters and cards we have exchanged over the years. She was always drawing and writing. A creative and beautiful kind soul. Love and prayers to heaven. I hope I'm lucky enough to have you looking down on me as an angel 🙏*

**Lucinda Ehlen** - September 14, 2017 at 09:55 PM

TH

*When I think off u Tracy u were sweet kind loveing kind I enjoyed our talks on fb I will be missed dearly bye us all I know u I be looking down on me as my guardian angel love and PrAyers*

**Tammy d Begley hoskins** - September 15, 2017 at 07:19 PM

 Destini Muncy

“ *Although I don't have any memories of physically meeting her, we always stayed in contact through the years online and through mail. I will miss her cards and our talks online... RIP my beautiful cousin!!!*

**Destini Muncy** - September 14, 2017 at 11:45 AM

LV

“ Tracy was such a beautiful lady. She truly was a caring and thoughtful person. Not a birthday passed that she didn't have a birthday card given. She always without fail would write "thank you" cards for everything. She always messaged me of her daily happenings and cute/silly things the kids would do or say. Tracy was always dealing with health issues but would always put a smile on her face and make a joke about something. What I have learned most from her is her love and dedication for her children. She spent so much time teaching them and protecting them. Tracy will forever leave an imprint in our hearts. We look forward to the day as believers in Christ when we will meet again at heavens gates.



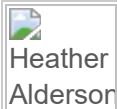
Leah Vienhage - September 14, 2017 at 02:37 AM

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Amanda Koehn-Begley - September 13, 2017 at 05:03 PM



*She was a beautiful person*

Heather Alderson - September 15, 2017 at 07:51 PM

AC

*Lovely pictures! Precious children!*

Aleta Combest - September 15, 2017 at 09:00 PM

AS

“ 2 files added to the album Tracy



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**Anna Stone** - September 13, 2017 at 02:20 PM

EK

“ Tracy was such a wonderful Wife to me and a great mother to our children. I will miss her very deeply, but I know her faith was in Jesus Christ and she is in Heaven with Him. When He decides to call me Home too there will be two friends reunited again. But till that day I will Love and Miss her VERY much.  
This was the last verse she wrote down.  
"Trust in the Lord with all thine Heart, and lean not unto your own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."  
Proverbs 3:5-6

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**Elijah Koehn** - September 13, 2017 at 12:22 PM

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**Amanda Koehn-Begley** - September 13, 2017 at 01:46 PM

LV



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**Leah Vienhage** - September 14, 2017 at 02:39 AM

AK

“ I wouldn't be married to Justin today if she did not write me back, let me stay at her family's house during Christmas 2006, or encouraged me that mine and Justin age gap was not a problem. Lol! :) But of course, she had her own interests involved in encouraging such an age gap, since Elijah and herself had the same problem. :)

When I was 15,16 she had really encouraged me to memorize Scripture. Whenever I come to Romans 8 I think of her because she told me she was memorizing it and it got me hooked.

True friends tell you were you are wrong and this was Tracy. Looking back, I see now how God had her standing between me and sin. She wasn't going to let you mess up your life.

I miss her so much, so come quickly, Lord Jesus!!!



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Amanda Koehn-Begley - September 13, 2017 at 11:43 AM

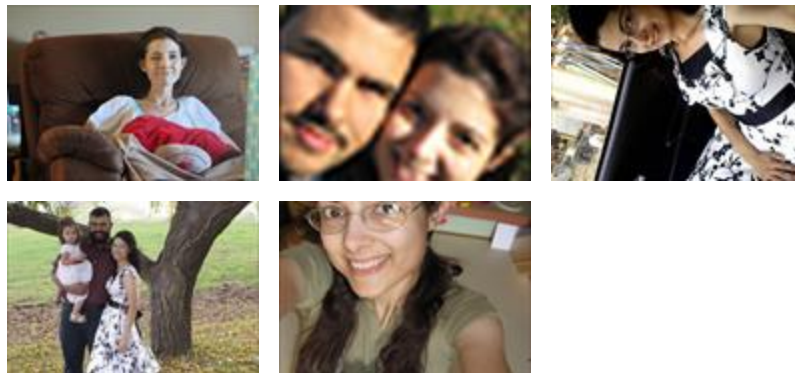
MB

“ Tracy was such a sweet spirited teenager in our church in Oklahoma. She was always a blessing. It was a privilege to have known her during those years, the memories are very precious. Although we've been gone from that area for several years, Tracy never forgot us and that is really a wonderful blessing to me. The first Christmas card EVERY year was from sweet Tracy. I would gauge the beginning of the holiday season by getting that card. It was always addressed to "Bro. and Mrs. Brewer" (she always showed respect to her former pastor), it would have a picture of her family so we could see how they were growing and there was always a letter or note telling us how she loved us and thanked God for us. Tracy never forgot about us - she always remembered. I cannot tell you how much that meant to us and how much we will miss it. My heartfelt condolences go to both the Koehn family and the Begley family. Love, Mrs. Mona Brewer

Mona Brewer - September 12, 2017 at 08:32 PM

EK

“ 20 files added to the album Tracy



Elijah Koehn - September 12, 2017 at 02:29 PM

AS

Beautiful pictures. Praying for all of you! ❤️

Anna Stone - September 12, 2017 at 08:30 PM



*Tracy was a good friend. Praying for you.*

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**Donald Vanskike** - September 15, 2017 at 01:04 PM