



Jesse Lee Saltzgeber

February 26, 1997 - November 24, 2015

Jesse Lee Saltzgeber, age 18, of Kankakee passed away November 24, 2015 in Crawfordsville, IN. She was born February 26, 1997 in Kankakee, the daughter of Brian "Bubby" Saltzgeber and Mariah Townson, both of Kankakee. Jesse was an aspiring singer. Singing was her passion. She also loved to dance. She was very outgoing and friends with everyone. She loved her family and friends.

Surviving are her adoptive parents, Robert & Julie Smith of Kankakee; her siblings, Brode Saltzgeber, Hailey Basic, Noah Hickey, Corey & Katie Phillips, Lauren Phillips, Tank Johnson, Jajuan Britten, Damari Smith, and Shaina Smith; her grandparents, Jim & Betty Saltzgeber of AZ, Rhonda Phelps of Kankakee, Mike & Debbie Graham of Ashkum; her aunts, Lena Graham of Kankakee and Marocka Ramos of Kankakee, Tracy Doyle of Kankakee; her great-grandmother Melba Dufrain of Bradley; several cousins; and two nephews.

She is preceded in death by her grandfathers, Ray Phelps Jr. and Jamie Longtin; her grandmother, Sherry Morgan; one sister, Alyssa Phillips; and her uncle, Joe Hickory.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 until 8:00 on Tuesday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, Kankakee. Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home with the Rev. Joe Congelton officiating. Interment will follow at Mound Grove Gardens of Memory in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens Cemetery

1000 N. Greenwood
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-6726

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

DEC 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RE

“ Mike and Debbie Graham I am so sorry to hear of your family loss .

Rebecca - December 05, 2015 at 04:59 AM



“ Shortbody V Thomas lit a candle in memory of Jesse Lee Saltzgeber



Shortbody V Thomas - December 04, 2015 at 09:42 AM

TW

“ I remember Jesse when she was a toddler at Lasting Impressions, she was such an outgoing little girl. She loved to dance. Losing a child is a great loss. I'll keep the family in my prayers

Tysha Ward - December 01, 2015 at 01:46 PM

JO

“ Jesse, you were such a special girl loved and missed by many
<3 your song remains in our hearts
Jolane, Paryss, and family



Jolane - December 01, 2015 at 11:41 AM

MW

“ Ms. Saltzgeber rest peacefully. I pray for comfort for family and friends.

Mr. Willis - November 30, 2015 at 10:50 PM

TM

“ *There's never a right time to say goodbye .*



Ta'Shazja Moore - November 30, 2015 at 05:30 PM

AL

“ *Miss you so much Baby Girl... I guess God needed a great voice to sing in heaven so he chose you. I know you are watching over us all and singing your heart out. I love you so much and miss you so much.... until we meet again sweet angel rest in peace and sing your heart out like you always did.....*



Ashley Livesay - November 30, 2015 at 05:28 PM

KB

“ *Kathy Blevins lit a candle in memory of Jesse Lee Saltzgeber*



Kathy Blevins - November 29, 2015 at 05:45 PM

KB

Loving thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Jesse.

Kathy Blevins - November 29, 2015 at 05:47 PM

SK

“ *Man, Jesse you sure did have a voice. Could have blew away ppl on the Voice. You will truly be missed. Fly high Jesse Lee, r.i.p*



Skittles - November 28, 2015 at 04:59 PM

TM

“ *I remember the first I see you I was created with a big smile and a hug at my home in Atl. And at that moment you became part of me and my family's life. From eating everything i cooked to us turning my master bath red coloring ur hair red lol. You will truly be miss*



Tomicka marshal-lane - November 28, 2015 at 03:12 PM

JZ

“ *R.i.p Babygirl you will always and forever be in our hearts , some may know u better then others but the friendship u gave each of us means something beautiful , U will truly be missed shine bright bbygirl & Rest up <3*



Jackie zarate - November 28, 2015 at 03:07 PM

MC

“ *You lit up every room, you shined bright. You were always ready to do anything with your friends. You protected who you loved. I miss you, I'll see you again.*



Michelle Calderon - November 28, 2015 at 02:19 PM

RM

“ We may not have hung out everyday but remember when I was pregnant at that Bonfire and you had me rolling laughing you were so kind hearted I remember first met you your first words were OMG you are sooo pretty you were my friend and I'll always and forever cherish the little memories we had

Redd Mingo - November 28, 2015 at 02:01 PM

DW

“ Jesse I'll miss you, you was a funny sweet kind girl that can sing we always use to fight in school before I transferred. Rest I piece watch over us we love you u in a better place call home with the lord. Sad to see you leave this world so soon. To her family I'm sorry for the lost



Darius walker - November 28, 2015 at 11:25 AM

DW

“ Jesse baby, I love and miss you so much! 😞😭
I know we will meet again and I am blessed to have had you in my life !
We had great memories! I remember when you lived with me!! I miss you!! And I can't wait to see you again baby girl! I love you!
Condolences Rhonda and Marocka!!! Love you guys!



Dayton Ward - November 28, 2015 at 10:56 AM



“ Jesse you got your wings now fly high baby rest easy and make sure you keep an eye on everyone R.I.P Beautiful Angel



Loud Molina - November 28, 2015 at 10:45 AM



“ Norrice sent a virtual gift in memory of Jesse Lee Saltzgeber



Norrice - November 28, 2015 at 10:35 AM



“ Rip baby girl 🙏... Guess he wanted you to be in heaven with him! Washington family ❤️



Norrice - November 28, 2015 at 10:34 AM