



Kaitlynn Jean Hicks

May 11, 2016 - December 31, 2024

Kaitlynn Jean Hicks, 8 years young, of Eminence, left this world suddenly and unexpectedly in the early morning hours of Tuesday, December 31, 2024. She made her entrance into this world on May 11, 2016, in Danville to Randy Hicks, Jr. and Dana Ford.

Katie attended Puzzle Pieces Daycare as a small child, was enrolled at Monrovia Elementary School, Eminence Elementary School, before switching gears and was home schooled. She played softball at Monrovia and Eminence and was a beast as a catcher. The youngest of four, she was determined to hang out with her older sisters and their friends. Sarcastic and sassy, she loved dogs, playing in the pool during the summer heat, running barefoot year-round, jumping on the trampoline, playing Roblox and taking selfies with Snapchat filters. A bottomless pit, the seemingly starving (but not) little girl ate nonstop, from peanut butter Oreos, tootsie rolls from her Nanny's, anything sour, banana peppers straight from the garden, corn and mashed potatoes, and peanut butter toast (4 pieces!).

Social yet shy, she made the combination work for her. Her best friend was Teagan, and she liked to play with her Barbies that she kept stashed under her bed. Katie recently learned to apply her own make up, and she caught on extremely fast and mastered the skill quickly. A music lover, she appreciated all types of music, especially Melanie Martinez and sang along to all her

favorite songs. Creative by nature, she enjoyed puzzles, card games, crafts and coloring. She adored riding topless and doorless in the Jeep, and most recently she discovered the joy of the wind in her hair while riding on the back of a Harley. Although stubborn and bossy at times, she was truly a force to be reckoned with. Katie Jean Hicks, the beautiful young soul, left this world way too young and she leaves a trail of tears and heartache, and a life unfinished, but her memory will remain in the hearts of all who knew and loved her, especially her loving parents.

Left behind to carry on her legacy are her parents, Randy Hicks (Jenni) of Indianapolis, and Dana Ford of Eminence; siblings, Hailey, Mackenzie, and Brendon Hicks of Eminence; step brother, Zephyr McGlaughlin of Indianapolis; grandparents, Kathy and Richard Ford of Eminence, and Randall and Cathy Hicks of Indianapolis; great grandparents, Janet Hicks of Speedway, and Ray Strickland Sr. (Suzanne) of Indianapolis; and aunts, Desiree Ford of Eminence, Jennifer Rogers (Dustin), Angela Hicks, and Christina Hicks all of Indianapolis.

Cremation and Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, from 4:00pm until a Celebration of Life Service at 7:00pm, with Pastor Keenan Steinway officiating, and cremation will follow services. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in Katie's memory, please visit her tribute page at www.lightmemorial.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Celebration of Life Service

JAN 8. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

HC

“ Heather C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.

Heather C. - January 08, 2025 at 12:09 PM

TJ

“ Tiffany, Sarah, Chris, Steve, Madelyne & Jennifer planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.

Tiffany, Sarah, Chris, Steve, Madelyne & Jennifer - January 08, 2025 at 10:30 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



January 08, 2025 at 10:10 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



January 08, 2025 at 07:43 AM



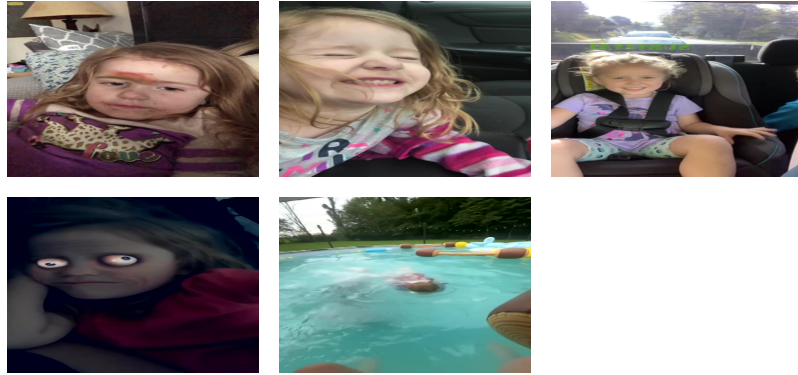
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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - January 07, 2025 at 05:49 PM



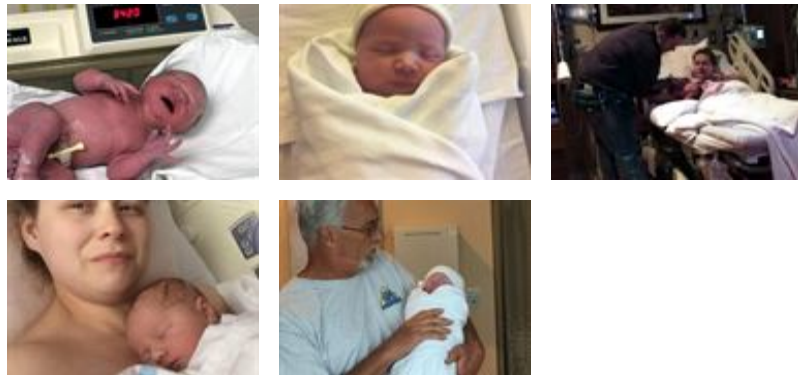
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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - January 07, 2025 at 03:44 PM



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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - January 07, 2025 at 02:29 PM

IT

“ Indianapolis Gatorade Planning Team purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



Indianapolis Gatorade Planning Team - January 07, 2025 at 02:21 PM

IT

“ Indianapolis Gatorade Planning Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.

Indianapolis Gatorade Planning Team - January 07, 2025 at 02:21 PM

YF

“ Your Pepsi Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



Your Pepsi Family - January 07, 2025 at 10:27 AM

YF

“ Your Pepsi Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.

Your Pepsi Family - January 07, 2025 at 10:27 AM

MA

“ *Monica Autry lit a candle in memory of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks*



Monica Autry - January 07, 2025 at 09:48 AM

YT

“ *Your EFC5 LP Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.*



Your EFC5 LP Team - January 07, 2025 at 09:46 AM

YT

“ *Your EFC5 LP Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.*

Your EFC5 LP Team - January 07, 2025 at 09:46 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.*



January 07, 2025 at 08:26 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



January 07, 2025 at 01:40 AM



“ Hendricks Pediatrics purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



Hendricks Pediatrics - January 06, 2025 at 05:33 PM



“ Hendricks Pediatrics planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.

Hendricks Pediatrics - January 06, 2025 at 05:33 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



January 06, 2025 at 11:57 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



January 06, 2025 at 10:05 AM



“ Ray & Kristie Strickland purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



Ray & Kristie Strickland - January 05, 2025 at 07:48 PM



“ Barbara Dozier lit a candle in memory of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks



Barbara dozier - January 05, 2025 at 07:04 PM



🙏🙏🙏 To you dana and Family i 🙏 god give you strength We're your weak and build you where you're strong. I am so sorry for your loss if There is anything I can do Please don't hesitate 🙏❤️🥺

Barbara dozier - January 05, 2025 at 07:14 PM

MC

“ Beautiful girl! I remember Kaitlynn from Puzzle Pieces. She is just 5 days younger than my daughter, Tori. She was the sweetest girl and would come to me and give me a hug when I picked up Tori. I’m saddened to hear you are no longer here to share hugs. Tori and I are praying for your family as they learn to navigate this world without you.

Mallory Clapper - January 05, 2025 at 01:16 PM

JM

“ Justin, Emmalea, Tatym and Teagyn Malott purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Kaitlynn Jean Hicks.



Justin, Emmalea, Tatym and Teagyn Malott - January 05, 2025 at 01:14 PM