



Melinda Katherine Bly

January 10, 1963 - December 14, 2017

Melinda Katherine Bly of Princeton, Texas passed away on December 14, 2017 at the age of 54. She was born on January 10, 1963 to Anson Erwin Bly and Freddie Louise (Bly) Marion in Allen, Texas.

Melinda loved her children and grandchildren with every ounce of her being. To her, family time was the best time. When she wasn't with her family, she could be found, paintbrush in hand, creating her beautifully handcrafted masterpieces. If you have one of her driftwood Santas, you were truly loved by her as that was her passion.

She cared for every person that she met and never met a stranger. She was passionate, loving and was never afraid to tell it like it is.

Melinda is survived by her children, Nicholas Don Wright and wife, Ashley of Whitewright, Jason Matthew Wright and wife, Vanessa of Gun Barrel City, Nathan Scott Wright and fiancé, CeAnn Thomas of Denton, Melanie Kay Brown and husband, Jeremy of McKinney; grandchildren, Layne, Jacob, Jaycee, Jaxson and January; father, Anson Erwin Bly and wife, Gayle of McKinney; brother, Mark Bly of Sherman; nephew, Michael Bly of Princeton; and numerous other loving family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Freddie Bly; and brothers, Michael Bly and Monte Bly.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, December 22, 2017 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas. Interment will follow at Pecan Grove Cemetery, 1701 South McDonald St., McKinney, Texas. The family will receive friends during a visitation on Thursday evening from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials

Erwin and Gayle I am very sorry for your loss. God bless you and your family.

Jack and Karen Stinnett

JACK STINNETT, FEBRUARY 26, 2018

Nick and family we are so sorry for your loss, your mom was a sweet lady! We have had and have you all in our thoughts and prayers! The Burts Family -

Jim, Kelley, Audrey, Ashley and Ethan

JIM AND KELLEY BURTS AND FAMILY , DECEMBER 22, 2017

Melinda was such a sweet and loving person. I worked with her at Princeton ISD for several years. I was never too good on the computer and she was always right there to help me out. I will never forget her talent as an incredible artist. I still have things she did for me and I always think of her when I look at them. I remember how much she loved her children and what a loss this is to them. She will be greatly missed. I will always remember this Loving lady and dear friend.

PEGGY COOK, DECEMBER 22, 2017

Prayers and love from the Chumbley's

RICHARD CHUMBLEY, DECEMBER 20, 2017

We are so very sorry and our hearts and prayers are with the family. My driftwood Santa is out every year and I always think of Melinda when I see it and the fun we had painting so many years ago.

APRIL COTTRELL, DECEMBER 20, 2017

Melanie, I am so so so sorry to hear about the passing of your sweet mom Melinda. I remember seeing her and she was the sweetest lady. My condolences go out to you and your family. If there is anything I can help with please let me know. Love you sister Mel! <3

AMBER ARRIAGA AND FAMILY, DECEMBER 18, 2017

Nick and Family I am so sorry to hear about your mother's passing. Your mom was always so sweet and welcoming with a smile on her face. May god bless your family during this hard time.

JENNIFER ADAMS, DECEMBER 18, 2017

Melinda you will be missed. You had that wonderful giggle and smile. Oh I can

still hear you hollering, 'Well Ronald Rodenbaugh, how have you been?'

Prayer for you and your family.

RONALD RODENBAUGH, DECEMBER 18, 2017

My Thoughts and Prayers, are with the Family. Melinda was a sweet person with the biggest Heart I know she was a Blessing. I'm going to Miss you sweet Friend

PAULA HILL (SEABOLT), DECEMBER 18, 2017

Melanie, I of course didn't know your mother, but if she was as sweet as you, I'm sure that she has so many that loved her. You and your family are in my prayers, we are so sorry for your loss. Isabella loves you as her teacher and let us know if i can do anything extra to help with your class. Sincerely, Sheryl Ellis

SHERYL ELLIS, DECEMBER 18, 2017

There are no appropriate words. People influence your life, often unaware of the impact that they leave on your future. Melinda took a part of me with her...as she did all of us...but she has certainly changed my life. I look forward to Christmas and the first thing I think of are the "driftwood Santas" that we painted together that year. I will miss the twinkle in her eye, We drifted apart over the years, but she was a good friend. I wish I could tell her how much she meant to me, and "Thank You". She was an amazing mother, and could make a place feel like "Home", better than anyone I've ever known. I will miss her always.

SUSAN PROCH, DECEMBER 18, 2017

Condolences from the Barnes family. We grew up with Melinda, Mark & Monty. I stayed at Granny's when we moved to Allen. Melinda was my classmate all through school. Funny, witty and kind. I remember hearing her say once that I was family. I'm happy she thought of me as family. She will be remembered fondly. A loss far too soon. Warm regards, Sheri Barnes

SHERI BARNES, DECEMBER 18, 2017

I will forever miss your friendly smile and playful attitude. You were truly one of a kind. Prayers will continue for your family-God Bless.

JUDGE PAUL RALEEH, DECEMBER 18, 2017

My heart is heavy as I learned about Melinda. Her, Gary & the kids were our neighbors for years and during Fireworks season, the kids would come clean up our "Fireworks Show" trash in exchange for fireworks for wages. Melinda would ALWAYS be right there with those yunguns helping them pick up the mess. I loved her smile, the sound of her "giggle" and that raspy tone in her voice. They were great neighbors who never even got mad at the Morrison brothers for pranking them with burning brown bags on the porch among other things. On behalf of the entire Morrison family, our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to and for you as you face difficult days ahead. "Love Thy Neighbor" --The Morrison's Ricky, Carolyn, Johnny, Billy & Laurie

JOHNNY MORRISON, DECEMBER 18, 2017

She will be greatly missed. She was always extremely friendly, helpful, and full of joy. I'm am so sorry for your loss. Princeton will not be the same without her

RON SOMERS, DECEMBER 17, 2017

Melinda was a fresh ray of sunshine always smiling always enjoying people she was about. I remember a happy hour way back we had together and I first met her and we traded phone numbers and had fun taking pictures and cutting up...rest in peace sweet lady until we see your precious smile again some day.

VIVIAN WATKINS BERG, DECEMBER 17, 2017

I am just heartbroken for the loss of your wonderful momma. She was an amazing lady and I will truly miss her warm smile. She loved with all her heart. Thinking and praying for you all. Love, Mrs. McCord

MICHELLE MCCORD, DECEMBER 17, 2017

I am so sad that Melinda passed away. She and I were in Miss Norton's first grade class in 1970 and she was one of my many childhood friends in our little special town of Allen. I am so sorry for your loss and I pray that you will all find comfort and peace during this time.

DANIEL THOMASON, DECEMBER 17, 2017

We were so shocked to hear of Melinda's passing. She loved her family(and I mean her entire family) so much. She will be sorely missed. May God bring

you all comfort during this terribly difficult time. She always made me feel like I was family and was so respectful of me. I will miss her and wish I had known of the difficulties she was dealing with. She was loved by all of us.

ANGELIA MARION, DECEMBER 17, 2017

Melainie and I started new teacher orientation together at Princeton. Melainie took me to meet her mom Melinda and instead of a handshake, Melinda always greeted me with a smile and a hug. A strong firm hug that let you know she cared. A smile that would light up a room. A very special lady indeed. Prayers to the family, my God bless you with peace and comfort. Love Jason & Christina Monroe.

CHRISTINA MONROE , DECEMBER 17, 2017

I loved you like a sister and am so heartbroken. Rest in peace my sweet friend. You will be so missed!!

LINDY HUMMEL, DECEMBER 17, 2017

We love you aunt Melinda you will be truly missed.

NATASHA BLY, BRIAN BATCHELOR, RYELEIGH BATCHELOR, AND KOLE BATCHELOR, DECEMBER 17, 2017

Melanie, Nick, Matt and Nate, Your Mom was such a very special person to me and to so many others. I'm heartbroken over her passing. She never hesitated to give me a shoulder to lean on when I needed it most. She touched so many lives with her big heart. There was NOTHING she wouldn't do for y'all or those grandbabies. Y'all were her heart and soul and she loved each of you so so much. My deepest sympathies go out to you all. Please let me know if I can do anything to help in anyway. May God give you all comfort during this time.

SHARON RANDOLPH, DECEMBER 17, 2017

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