



## Chelsea Dawn Shafer

June 10, 1991 - April 26, 2023

Chelsea Dawn Shafer was born June 10, 1991, in Rensselaer to John and Sheila Shafer. Chelsea was born such a beautiful and determined soul. Chelsea lived her life never meeting a stranger. In school, during a field trip, Chelsea came home so hungry. I asked why she was hungry as I had packed a large lunch for her. She then tells me that she gave another kiddo her food because they didn't have lunch. From that day on I always packed 2 lunches in her bag so she could share and still eat. Chelsea grew up with an intense love for music. She loved playing the flute in the marching band in school. Chelsea lived her life carefree and full of adventure. Adventures that would leave her stuck in a mud bog or lost on a back road excursion with a friend that almost took her to Ohio. Or driving into a tree to stop a truck that lost its brakes. She would pull pranks, be silly, and challenge everything just to have fun. This sweet silly soul had more friends than you can count. You would often hear "Hey peach!" or "Hey pumpkin!" "Pinch that baby's cheeks" or "Stay safe and stay ornery." Everyone who knows Chelsea has a story of how she made them smile. God has gained the most beautiful soul.

Chelsea is survived by her mother, Sheila (Greg Leuck) Shafer of Rensselaer, IN; father, John (Sheri) Shafer; her siblings, Paige (Kale) Strange of Delphi, IN, Hollison Shafer of Rensselaer, IN, Dalton (Shannon Snow) Shafer of Rensselaer, IN, and Jack Shafer of Indianapolis, IN; step-siblings, Chris (Andrea) Leuck and Eric Leuck; maternal grandmother, Beulah McEwen; and her nieces and nephews, Zayden and Sophia Shafer, Warren Strange, and

Holt Leuck.

Chelsea was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, James McEwen, and paternal grandparents, John and Beth Shafer.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at Jackson Funeral Chapel from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM CT, with a funeral service immediately following at 4:00 PM CT with Reverend Kenin Smith officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Friends of the Jasper County Animal Shelter or the RCHS band.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **29**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
P.O. Box 70  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5123  
info@jacksonfuneral.com  
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## Funeral Service

APR **29**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
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# Tribute Wall

LK

“ Chelsea was an Angel 😇. She always had a smile and had a kind word, even though she was having a tuff time. I'll miss her smile at Arby's.



Larry and Judy Koebcke - May 05, 2023 at 03:53 PM

EL

“ I'll miss the moments we shared together. Those times we shared will be remembered. Ellen Leuck

Ellen Leuck - May 01, 2023 at 06:10 PM

DC

“ Such a pleasure to know this most beautiful ray of sunshine, Chelsea what an incredible young woman with a one of a kind heart ❤️ you will be truly missed. What a testament to your incredible mother who has always been your biggest fan.much love to you all God Bless. Chelsea please hug my mom for me.

Donita Cotner - April 29, 2023 at 01:12 AM

CK

“ Chelsie was a great person to me. She taught me a lot about patients, how to ignore the ignorant people, and she always put a smile on my face when I was down in the dumps. She would always tell me to stand tall and don't let nothing break you down.

Christa Karge - April 28, 2023 at 08:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.*



April 28, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ *You were such a joy to know. We will all miss you dearly Chelsea.*



**Stephanie Davisson** - April 28, 2023 at 01:23 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.*



April 28, 2023 at 07:52 AM



“ *Prayers to you and your family. Melissa (McElfresh) Ardon*



**Melissa McElfresh Ardon** - April 28, 2023 at 12:17 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.



April 27, 2023 at 06:47 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.



April 27, 2023 at 06:35 PM



“ So sorry to hear this, my condolences to the Shafer Family 🙏🥹🙏



sandy diedam templin - April 27, 2023 at 06:26 PM



I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. My heart and prayers go out to John (my classmate), and all that knew her.

Suzy Myers - April 27, 2023 at 07:00 PM



So sorry for your loss Shiela and family. My Prayers are with you

Becky Luzadder - April 27, 2023 at 07:15 PM

HB

*Sorry to hear of your loss. Chelsea was an angel here on earth and now you have one in heaven looking over you.*

**Helen Bracht** - April 28, 2023 at 10:38 AM

GK

“ *Greg Kaufman lit a candle in memory of Chelsea Dawn Shafer*



**Greg Kaufman** - April 27, 2023 at 05:52 PM

AN

“ *Chelsea was our college roommate and brought so much joy, kindness, love, and laughter to everyone she met. My favorite memory is sharing an entire chocolate pie among friends inside the movie theater. Forever thankful for the opportunity to know such a pure and beautiful soul! Love you forever Chelsea Dawn.*



**Angelique** - April 27, 2023 at 05:27 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.*



April 27, 2023 at 05:03 PM

TA

“ *A light in the darkness, the brightest I've seen. Till I see you again Peaches* ❤️❤️



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**Tammi** - April 27, 2023 at 03:09 PM

KS

“ *I'm so sorry for the loss of Chelsea, she was the sweetest! Hugs.*

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**Kellie Stuhmacher** - April 27, 2023 at 02:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.*



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April 27, 2023 at 02:05 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Chelsea Dawn Shafer.*



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April 27, 2023 at 01:54 PM

LJ

“ *Chelsea was so very witty, determined and strong. It was my pleasure to know her.*

Lisa Jackson - April 27, 2023 at 01:29 PM

DH

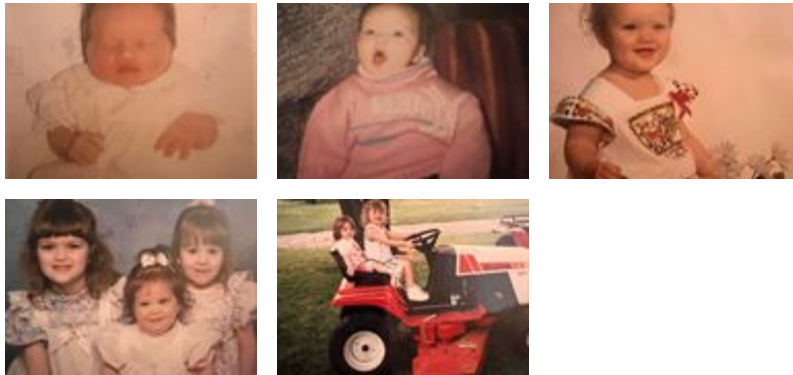
“ *Dale Huhn lit a candle in memory of Chelsea Dawn Shafer*



Dale Huhn - April 27, 2023 at 01:00 PM



“ *75 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - April 27, 2023 at 12:39 PM

MC

“ *Mary Jo Casey lit a candle in memory of Chelsea Dawn Shafer*



Mary Jo Casey - April 27, 2023 at 12:29 PM