



Melanie (Ticen) Bradley

August 17, 1986 - December 17, 2010

Melanie Bradley, age 24, of Grand Rapids Michigan, and formerly of Wolcott, Indiana, passed away suddenly on Friday December 17, 2010 at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids, MI. Melanie was born on August 17, 1986 in Kokomo, IN. she is survived by her loving parents Jeff and Linda (Hendrix) Ticen of Wolcott, IN. After high school graduation she attended Grace College where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 2009. Melanie was married at the Burr Oak Mennonite Church in Rensselaer on August 11, 2007 to Eric Bradley who survives. They moved to Grand Rapids 1 ½ years ago where Melanie was the pianist for the Grand Rapids Ballet Company. She also gave private piano lessons.

Melanie was a member of the Hope Church of the Brethren, Freeport Michigan; the Women of the Word bible study and formerly the Grace College Chamber Singers.

She is survived by her loving husband, Eric and their 11 month old son, Neil of Grand Rapids, her parents, Jeff and Linda Ticen, Wolcott, IN; his parents, Ernie and Janice Bradley, Liberty Mills, IN, her siblings, Benjamin, Rebekah, Aaron, Ginny, Joshua, Lydia and Angela Ticen all of Wolcott, her paternal grandparents, William J. and Helen Ticen, Sedalia, IN; her maternal grandparents, Richard and Gloria Hendrix, Cutler, IN, and beloved extended family members Brian and Debbie Voss.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burr Oak Mennonite Church
11506 W. CR 200 S.
Rensselaer, IN

Service

DEC **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Melanie (Ticen) Bradley



Jackson Funeral Chapels - December 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincere condolences to the Bradley and Ticen families. I was shocked and saddened to hear of Melanie's sudden and tragic passing. I first met Mel early in her pregnancy and was privileged to care for her as her OB doctor. At one memorable appointment, she had waited a very long time to see me. Instead of complaining, she went out and got me some lunch!! She brought in home-made soup. Noone has ever done that for me as part of an app't before. This represents Mel's demeanor in always thinking of others before herself. Mel was a proud and adoring mother to Neil, and she stopped by the office when he was about 8 months old just to show him off! My daughter is also a ballet student at GRBC. Mel greeted us there regularly with her infectious smile. When we there with my 2 year old son, Mel showed great interest in him and went out of her way to find him some toys--certainly thinking of her own son reaching that stage someday. I will miss seeing her, both as a patient, but more so as a shining light. May there be comfort to her families that she is singing and playing in Heaven's choir. My prayer is that Neil grows up hearing all about Mel's strong character and that he wears her smile.##imported-begin##Anita Avery##imported-end##

December 30, 2010 at 03:39 PM



“ I met Melanie this summer at ballet where my daughter, Hannah, was taking classes. Although we were new, Melanie made us both feel at home right away. She remembered Hannah's name right away and had a huge smile on her face when she greeted her. I had the privilege of being able to talk with Melanie many times while waiting for my daughter. She was such a sweet person who adored her baby boy and husband. I always looked forward to waving at her and listening to her play the piano during classes. Even though I only knew her for a brief time, she made an impact on our family. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Linda and Hannah Parsons##imported-end##

December 23, 2010 at 03:17 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I am grieving with you and praying for you all.##imported-begin##Amanda (Eberly) Speicher##imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 09:14 PM



“ Linda,
I was sadden to hear the news of Melanie's passing. Shocked is a better word. I am sorry I can not be there for you during this week but know I am thinking of you and your family during this difficult time. I am coming home next week and will attempt to call on you for a brief visit if you are up to it. Love - Mark, Jill and the Girls.##imported-begin##Mark McCracken & Family##imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 07:21 PM



“ Linda, I am so sorry to hear about your daughter Melanie. As a mother and a your friend my heart aches for you and your family. My family has been praying for you and asking God to give you abundant grace and strength for the days ahead. As you and I have discussed so many times only God can give the grace we need to make it through times such as this. May you feel that grace every day. Much Prayer and Love, Cynda###imported-begin##Cynda Worrell###imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 05:00 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. The news of Melanie's passing was a great sock to us. Melanie was my 3 children's piano teacher and they adored her. We will be playing a special family Christmas concert in her honor. We will miss your smile, fun spirit and great teaching Melanie!

Love,

Gaëlle, Bertrand, Loïk, Matthieu and Morgane

THIBAULT###imported-begin##The Thibault Family###imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 01:23 PM



“ Linda and family, my deepest sympathy and prayers are with you.###imported-begin##Jim Redd###imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 12:25 PM



“ On behalf of everyone at the Grand Rapids Ballet we offer our sincerest condolences on your loss. Melanie was a part of our family at the ballet and she will be greatly missed by all who worked with her. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Glenn Del Vecchio##imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 12:07 PM



“ We had the pleasure of working with Melanie at the Grand Rapids Ballet Company. She was a pianist for both our classes. Mel was such a caring and kind person- she could always bring a smile to your face. We are going to miss her dearly, but feel fortunate to have met her and worked with her. We are so sorry for your loss. God Bless you Mel.##imported-begin##Attila and Mindy Mosolygo##imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 11:33 AM



“ Linda and family,
Just want to let you know you all are in my thoughts and prayers;she is in God's hands now.
Sharon##imported-begin##Sharon (Thornsborough)
Young##imported-end##

December 22, 2010 at 09:47 AM



“ Linda we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. We are always here for you if you need anything at all.

Love,

The Anderson Family###imported-begin##Brad and Amarah Anderson Family###imported-end##

December 21, 2010 at 07:27 PM



“ You are in our thoughts and prayers. I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. Melanie touched the lives of many including our family.###imported-begin##Lori Choules###imported-end##

December 21, 2010 at 01:23 PM



“ All of the library staff at North Webster PL sends our condolences to you. You are in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Helen Leinbach###imported-end##

December 21, 2010 at 01:02 PM



“ Jeff,Linda and family- I was shocked to hear the news about Melanie's passing. We are praying for you daily for God's comfort and guidance during this difficult time. We loved Melanie and know she is in the safe arms of Jesus. What a wonderful place to be at Christmas time-face to face with Jesus!! We will miss her very much and her ability to enjoy life. Much love from Dwayne, Nora, Jessica,Joshua, Julia, Jenna and Jalissa###imported-begin##nora hopper###imported-end##

December 21, 2010 at 01:01 PM



“ Jeff, Linda, & Family-

We were very, very sad to hear the news about Melanie. We are so sorry for your loss and are keeping you all in our prayers.

In His Love-

Patty, Jim, Josh, & Jonathan Stringfellow###imported-begin###Patty Stringfellow###imported-end###

December 21, 2010 at 11:50 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about your loss of Melanie. We will keep you in our prayers.###imported-begin###george russell###imported-end###*

December 21, 2010 at 07:48 AM



“ *My condolences. Melanie will be missed. May memories comfort you in your time of need.###imported-begin###Barbara Brown###imported-end###*

December 20, 2010 at 10:06 PM



“ *My daughter is a student at the Grand Rapids Ballet where Melanie worked. We always enjoyed seeing her; she was such a sweet and kind person. I'm sure all children there will miss her very much. She touched many people in a short time. Please know I'm so sorry for your loss and will be keeping your family in my thoughts & prayers.###imported-begin###Laura Coombs###imported-end###*

December 20, 2010 at 09:39 PM



“ Our sympathy to the Bradley family. We so enjoy Janice and the work she does here at Timbercrest in North Manchester. Also we learned on Saturday that Melanie was to accompany our grandson, Zander, for his tuba solo at the February Solo and Ensemble event in Michigan. May God's peace and strength uphold all of you in these times ahead.##imported-begin##Marie Willoughby##imported-end##

December 20, 2010 at 03:09 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, May Gods love and guidance help you through this tough time. Deb and I will be praying for both families.##imported-begin##John Lemming##imported-end##

December 20, 2010 at 12:36 AM



“ Linda,

I am so sorry to hear of Melanie's death. I don't know details, but know as a mother, details don't matter. The fact she is gone from this earth is pain enough.

Praise God she is now worshiping Jesus face to face, and singing at the top of her lungs. I will never forget the musical talent she had and how fun it was to watch her growth through the Word of Life events.

I will also never forget when she came to me after I played the piano one day, and said what a "beautiful" job I had done and how much she enjoyed listening. Coming from a young teen, that meant a lot!

You and your family will be in my prayers during this difficult time.

"He is near to the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds" Psalm 34:18

*Love in Christ,
Brenda (Turpin) Shaw##imported-begin##Brenda
Turpin##imported-end##*

December 19, 2010 at 07:21 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, I always talking and Listening to her play the piano she will missed praying for the family##imported-begin##Monte Adams##imported-end##

December 19, 2010 at 06:07 PM