



## Melissa Mae Miller

May 4, 1981 - June 1, 2026

Obituary for Melissa Mae Miller May 4, 1981 – June 1, 2026

Melissa Mae Miller, 45, of Sterling, Virginia, passed away on June 1, 2026 after an inspiringly courageous 5-year battle with breast cancer.

A devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Melissa's testimony of Jesus Christ was reflected in the way she cared for those around her.

Born and raised in Wisconsin, she graduated from Greendale High School and went on to study interior design and marketing at Utah State University. Melissa had an eye for beautiful things: home design, fashion, floral arranging, travel. She was often the person friends turned to when planning weddings, decorating a home, talking about their love lives, or making other life decisions. She approached those moments not just with talent but threw her whole self into every project with love, passion, and determination. Melissa could fix anything and make it better. She could often be found with cups of her favorite beverages with crunchy ice, watching Survivor, listening to romance audiobooks, going on walks, working on house projects, playing games with her kids, indulging in her favorite desserts, finding deals on Facebook marketplace, and hanging out at the pool or the beach.

In addition to creating beautiful physical spaces, Melissa had a gift for building up people that surrounded her. She remembered the small details, checked in when it mattered most, and offered support without needing recognition, and helped others feel seen and valued. A devoted friend who was steady,

thoughtful, deeply loyal, and would do anything and everything for her friends. Her greatest devotion was to her family. Her husband Aaron fell in love with Melissa the moment he met her and they were married for eternity in August of 2007 in Nauvoo, Illinois. Melissa and Aaron settled their family in Sterling, Virginia, and together they created a home grounded in love, faith, and fun. Loving, guiding and helping her children grow, learn and feel loved was her greatest priority and joy. Melissa was deeply loved by her husband and children. She made their whole world spin and they will miss her beyond measure.

She loved her sisters, parents, extended family and friends with all her heart and soul.

Melissa is survived by her husband, Aaron; her children, William, Hugh, and Elizabeth; her parents, Russell and Cindy Wilson; her sisters: Michelle Holladay, Miriam Titensor, Manda Jumper, and Marcia Milne. She is also survived and remembered by her brothers-in-law, beloved nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her sister, Maralee Boston.

While Melissa's passing leaves a gaping absence, we know that through our savior Jesus Christ and gospel ordinances that we will all be resurrected and reunited again as part of Heavenly Father's plan. Melissa's life was an example of Christlike love, including the way she faced adversity and suffering. Her impact on all our lives is embedded deeply on our souls and she will remain alive in our hearts, memories and shared stories.

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All funeral services will be held at the Sterling Park LDS Church building located at 22066 Circle Drive, Sterling, Virginia. Viewings will be held on Friday, June 12, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday, June 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The funeral service will begin at 12:00 p.m. on June 13th, followed by a repast celebration of life luncheon. All are invited to come pay respect, gather and heal.

Dress Attire: In keeping with Melissa's love of style and vibrance, you are

welcome to wear any color attire of your choosing.

Melissa desired to be buried next to her sister Maralee. The interment services will take place at a later date in Wisconsin.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be much appreciated to help Melissa's husband and children. See this Giving Site Link for some donation options. If you are considering attending, please also let us know by responding to the survey.

1) Giving Site: <https://www.giveinkind.com/inkinds/H4A6R7N>

2) Survey: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9CWveMn-cFT\\_9IMM3PYPdxZoy3Tha-a6RGw1N6TB60luDZw/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9CWveMn-cFT_9IMM3PYPdxZoy3Tha-a6RGw1N6TB60luDZw/viewform?usp=header)

For those unable to attend the funeral in person, if you would like to watch the funeral service, you can view the live broadcast .Please go to <https://bit.ly/funeral-services-melissa-miller>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **12.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints  
22066 Circle Drive  
Sterling, VA

## Visitation

JUN **13.** 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

JUN **13.** 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ My name is Esther. I am Diego's mom, one of Elizabeth's classmates when they went to Claude Moore Preschool. I send my condolences to the family and friends.

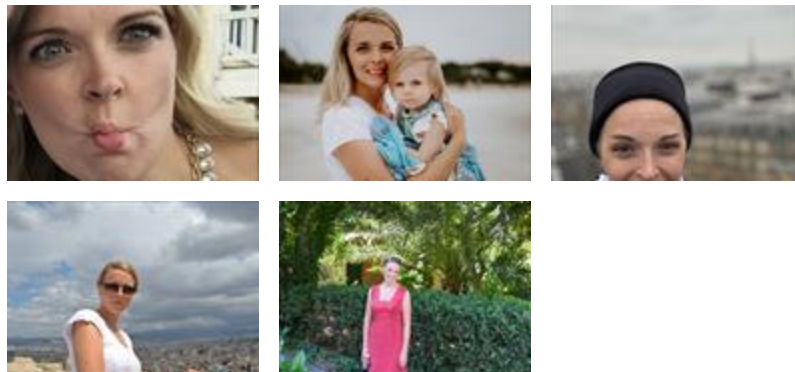
*I talked with Melissa many times in the playground while our kids played after school. She always talked about her kids and sometimes she told me about her illness. I never thought this would happen, and when I knew that she was nearing the end of her life I could not stop crying. I had her voice and her movements in my head; I could not believe it. This is heartbreaking, because I am a mom and I know how our kids love us and how we would love to see them being adults. I know that her husband and children will learn to live without her, and they will be strong, but it will be hard. I am sure that she left many good messages to them that will be in their minds forever to make them to be the best version of themselves. Their mom will always be with them, in their mind and heart. They will always remember that there was someone who loved them more than anything in the world. That love will always be with them.*

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**Esther Burgos Jimenez** - June 10 at 08:53 AM

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“ 23 files added to the album Photos of Melissa



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**Aaron Miller** - June 08 at 07:16 PM

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“ *While we popped in and out of Sterling between overseas tours, Melissa was always a constant. When I mentioned wanting to take a trip to NYC she planned the whole thing, booking a room at the Marriott using her friend's discount and driving us herself, even if she made us a little nervous when she would become so animated in our conversation that she would take her eyes off the road and hands off the wheel. But even that was a testament to how much she cared about her friends, always focusing on us. Her Christmas cookie plates could not be beat. We were kindred souls when it came to creative ways to save money and I could always count on her for literally anything, and she frankly knew what I needed even before I did. As I looked over our messages over the past nearly fifteen years, it was all invites and service. She was an expert in so many things, but most of all in showing others she loved them. I know she's not anywhere near done with that, though, and take comfort in the ripples of light she started that will continue here, and in the power surge that happened the moment she stepped into the spirit world. I fully anticipate feeling her presence in the temple, and seeing her in the beautiful things around me. Love you, Meliss. -Erin Dixon*

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**Erin Dixon** - June 05 at 10:12 PM