



Shayla Mitchell

June 13, 1990 - January 28, 2009

SHAYLA MARIE MITCHELL, age 18, of Centreville, Virginia died Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at her residence.

Shayla was born June 13, 1990 in Arlington, Virginia. She was a Day Care Teacher. Her smile and sweetness was an inspiration to everyone that met her. She touched the lives of those around her in countless ways, especially the children with whom she shared a special and unique bond.

Survivors include her father, Tom Mitchell of Centreville, Virginia; her mother, Kim Holmes of Manassas, Virginia; five nieces and nephews, Josh, Donovan, Heidi, Drew and Madeline and seven siblings, Darla Hopkins of Manassas, Virginia, Miranda Cook of Bealeton, Virginia, Shannan Mitchell, Lauren Mitchell, Abigail Mitchell, Jack Mitchell and Shayne Mitchell all of Burke, Virginia.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 A.M. Monday, February 2, 2009 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas. Interment will follow at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Growing Hope, P.O. Box 151, Fairfax Station, Virginia 22039 in memory of Shayla Mitchell.

Condolences may be sent to www.piercefh.com.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ We had only met a few times through Darla & Johnny but Shayla was such a sweet person and very strong willed. She will truly be missed by everyone that has come to meet her. Our prayers are with all of the Mitchell Family.

Steve & Valorie Shields & Family - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

LB

“ Although I didn't know Shayla personally, I knew of her through her sisters Shannan and Lauren and through her uncle Sam and I know she was a very special person. She touched many lives during her short time here on earth and we must believe that through memories, she will continue to touch people. She will be missed here but I hope that you will take comfort in knowing she is now at peace and in a better place.

Laura Boodley - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

ET

“ Tom, Kim, et al

Our hearts break for your loss. We first met Shayla when she was a shy little girl of 7. We have watched her grow up into a sweet, lovely young woman. May you take comfort in knowing that she is no longer in pain and suffering.

We hope you will take comfort in the words of Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

There is a time and purpose for everything under the heavens. A time to be born and a time to die; a time to plan and a time to uproot the plant; a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance.

Ed and Irena Troxell - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

TV

“ Tom and the Mitchell family,
I am so saddened by Shayla's passing. I've prayed for her and for you so much over the last two years and our hearts go out to you. I will continue to pray for you now through this deepest of valleys. I pray God's grace on you as you bear this heavy load. I pray for God to also heal and encourage you, knowing that Shayla is no longer in pain, there are no more treatments, no more difficult trials or bad medical reports. Now she is free from all that and she can breath full and deep and live in full health in God's presence.

*Please let me know if there is anything that we can do for you.
Again, our hearts and our prayers are with you.*

T. J. Vercouteren

T. J. Vercouteren - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

TV

“ *Mitchell Family,*

My heart really goes out to you as you all go through this dark valley. I've prayed for you all and for Shayla in particular often through her struggle. Though I'm sad that Shayla has passed, I take comfort in the hope that because of her trust in Christ, she is in God's presence and is finally and completely whole again. She can breath easy and she feels no pain. There are no more tests, no more painful treatments, no more sorrow and no more struggle. In this I am thankful and I praise God for the grace he gave her in relieving all of these struggles.

I still pray for you, though, knowing that the struggle and pain remain with you all. I pray that God would comfort you and that He would give you peace. I pray that God would be there for you and that he would help you to look to him and lean on him in your sorrow because he, also, is a father who has lost a child and has suffered loss and pain. I pray his strength for you over the next days and into the future as you learn to move forward.

God's love and peace on you all.

T. J. Vercouteren

TJ Vercouteren - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

HS

“ *Shayla was one of my students and she was one of the sweetest, caring people that I have ever met. It is a great loss to all that knew her.*

Holly Salyers - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

PM

“ Although I didn't know her, I want to extend my condolences to Tom and Kim for this heartbreaking loss. I knew her mother Kim Timmons, (at the time), growing up across the street from her on Nutting Drive in Springfield, Virginia. My deepest sympathy to all.

Patrick R. McGrady - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

CG

“ My deepest sympathies to Tom and the rest of Shayla's family.

Cheyenne Gillespie - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

SR

“ Shayla and I met while teaching preschool at Seven Oaks Academy and quickly became friends. Without a doubt, Shayla was one of the kindest people I have ever met - she always had a smile on her face. Everyone loved Shayla, her kids and co-workers. She was so brave and had an amazing attitude about everything she was going through. It broke my heart to hear about her passing but I know Shayla is now in a much better place where there is no pain or sadness. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Somer Richa - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

AN

“ Sorry for your loss. May God hold you all in his hand.

AG Nixon - January 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM