



Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall

October 28, 1975 - March 26, 2020

Decatur – Chondalen J. “Chonda” Chisenall, 44, of Decatur, IL, passed away Thursday, March 26, 2020, in her home.

Chonda was born October 28, 1975, in Decatur, the daughter of Allen and Linda (Brooks) Young. A loving daughter, sister, wife, aunt, and friend, Chonda worked as a special education teachers assistant at Franklin Elementary School. She married Kenneth M. “Ken” Chisenall on October 30, 1999, in Decatur, IL.

Surviving is her husband, Ken Chisenall of Decatur; mother, Linda Young of Decatur; siblings: Cheryl Harmonson of Decatur, John Armstrong of Danville, Kent Armstrong of Decatur, Allen (Lisa) Armstrong of Mt. Zion, and Cynthia Young of Decatur; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Chonda was preceded in death by her father and her grandparents.

With CDC guidelines in mind, visitation will be from 10 am until the service time of 11 am, Tuesday, March 31, 2020, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Live streaming of the service will be available at 11 am, Tuesday, March 31, 2020, by going to funeralvue.com/login#!; user id: 26624; password: Chisenall.

Arrangements by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, IL 62526. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home
2091 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, IL, US, 62526

MAR **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Ken , I am so very sorry for your loss. I know words cant stop the hurt , but know that you have a large freind group that are here for you , take care buddy. Henry Kramer

Henry Kramer - April 01 at 11:12 AM



“ I don't really have a lot of memories of Chonda, I am sorry to say. Our family has been one of far distance between us all. No matter the distance, family is family and when we lose one of our own it is never easy or without sorrow.

Love your Cousin

Missy



Missy - March 31 at 12:58 PM



“ I love you cousin

Cheryl harminson (Chonda Chisenalls sis - April 01 at 04:47 AM



“ Missy lit a candle in memory of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall



Missy - March 31 at 12:48 PM



“ Ken, I am deeply sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.



Natalie Presley - March 31 at 12:01 PM



“ I worked with Chonda at Franklin and over the years became more than a co-worker, but a friend. Chonda always had a good attitude at work and could bring a smile to your face.

Chonda will be missed by many. My heart goes out to all family and friends. Love Heather

heather england - March 31 at 11:49 AM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 31 at 11:04 AM



“ What can I say kiddo...the person I grew up with and shared my life with until your soulmate came, my Brother, Ken. We did everything together...Through thick and thin you were always there for me. My children will always know who their Aunt Chonda was/is and yes, it's been as hard on them as well. I know you are well now and zipping through the cosmos with Papa and that in itself somehow gives me a little comfort. Not much but it'll do for now until I find the courage to face this. I love you and yes, Me and Linny and all my kids will be bugging your Husband, Soulmate and our Ken so don't worry he won't be alone. So until that day love, when we can sit down and enjoy a horrible bottle of Boone's Farm Strawberry like when we were 16, I say fly on babygirl and I'll see you again!!!!!!

Shawn Brown - March 31 at 10:53 AM



“ Very well said son it's hard to believe it's only been a month ago. You and my sisters Chonda and Cynthia grew up together as brother and sisters ☐

Cheryl - April 30 at 09:04 AM



“ Kenny we are so sorry for the loss of sweet Chonda. We love you guys so much and have and always will consider you as part of our family. Love you

James and Susan Shuffit

James Shuffit - March 31 at 10:21 AM



“ Hi my name is talena, just want to say shonda was such a sweet sweet girl. What you say I'm very sorry prayers to Linda , Cheryl, Kent, Alan and Lisa, and Cynthia. Love you guys!

Talena duncan - March 31 at 10:08 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 31 at 07:30 AM



“ Ken, I am sorry for your loss

rick anklam - March 30 at 11:26 PM



“ Chonda will be so missed not just by our family but also by all of our mutual friends and by all of the children she cared for and loved so much ..
To Ken and all of her family, her mom and all siblings our deepest sympathy. We all need to remember all the beautiful years we had together and all the great memories we have to keep..

Love always from the Miller ...Patrick ... and.... Belmontes Family.

Charlotte Miller - March 30 at 11:25 PM



“ My darling baby sister. Soar with like you all the angels in heaven. I will always remember the wonderful times since you were a baby till you met your lisa lou and Mathew brian, I want to tell you so much and regret their wasn't enough time. I Love you so much Bongo,
There will always be a hole in my heart that only you can fill. You and ken filled up me and lisa and brian and peytons life. Not enogh words can tell you how I feel. May god and jesus hold you and keep you embraced. You as my baby sister filled my heart with love and joy. Chonda I promise I will always hang on to you and the memories we shared throughout your journey. Love you so much sis Allen.

William Armstrong - March 30 at 11:17 PM



“ Beautiful baby brother.. we will always have you in our hearts dearest baby sister
Cheryl - April 03 at 07:48 AM



“ Cynthia sent a virtual gift in memory of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall



Cynthia - March 30 at 09:05 PM



“ Cynthia lit a candle in memory of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall



Cynthia - March 30 at 09:02 PM



“ Such a beautiful way to lighting this candle in memory of our baby sister Chonda
Cheryl - April 03 at 07:50 AM



“ All the beautiful memories that we have made together as friends will be cherished and remembered forever. It is easy to become friends, difficult to remain friends, but hardest to say goodbye to a friend. XOXO my Chonda Honda!



Roxann Kennedy (Rocks) - March 30 at 07:44 PM



“ Thank you so much for sharing pictures of my precious baby sister Chonda....Life will never be the same

Cheryl - April 03 at 07:51 AM



“ Most of you know who I am I am chonda sister Cynthia and I have so many fond memories of my sister chonda me and Shonda had so many memories together we would go shopping or we would go to Olive Garden and hang out Shonda was just a caring and loving sister she would do anything for anybody she would even give a hug a kind word she was just the greatest sister ever I will miss her dearly when we were children our parents didn't have much money but our parents made it where her and I had a good Christmas she would say look Cynthia Mommy and Daddy got us a present I said I know honey I did so much with my sister she will truly be missed she always had a nice smile she would light up the room I always had fun with her at this time I would like to say Shonda I love you miss you you were the greatest sister anyone in the world could have I will never forget you you'll always be in my heart I'll always have our memories just know I love you love your sister Cynthia

Cynthia - March 30 at 07:24 PM



“ Perfect

Cheryl - April 03 at 08:01 AM



“ Hi my name is Cynthia most of you do know who I am Shonda was my sister baby sister she was the greatest woman in the world always had a smile on her face I'm ready to laugh cheerful kind-hearted and did anything for anybody she will truly truly be missed by family friends and whoever knew her I remember our childhood together we always did good things together our parents didn't have much money but they always bends to get me and Shonda our Christmas presents Shonda would say to me that the book mom and dad got his something for Christmas and they didn't

even have the money I spent many times with Shonda going to all of garden hanging out talking shopping doing whatever she wanted to do just remember Sister you're the greatest and best sister anyone in this whole world could ever dream of having I love you to the moon and back you are my sunshine my only sunshine you make me happy when the skies are gray you'll never know dear how much I love Shonda but please don't take my sunshine away God bless you Shonda I love you to the moon and back your sister Cynthia

Cynthia - March 30 at 07:19 PM



“ Chonda was as genuine and authentic as they come. I've never met anyone like her. She was full of fun, most giving, and loyal to those that knew her. The girl didn't know a stranger, and could light up any room! We hold soooo many memories that we'll forever cherish. Ken- our heart breaks for you and her family! You're in our thoughts and prayers!

Jim and Allison Yeager - March 30 at 07:01 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 30 at 01:16 PM



“ Chonda was a true force of nature . She was so smart, beautiful, fun, My heart just breaks for you all. I pray every day God guides you all through your grief and pain

Marcia Garner - March 30 at 12:18 PM



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Cheryl - April 30 at 09:12 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 30 at 10:50 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 30 at 04:05 AM



“ Chonda was one of the most loving and patient person I've ever known. She loved her family, friends and most of all she loved her students. We pray total peace and comfort to her family. We're praying that the peace of God continue to give you strength during this time of bereavement and transition. Love, peace, comfort and blessings.

Michelle Mitchell - March 30 at 02:32 AM



“ I want to thank everyone for the warm memories prayers. Chonda has been the greatest wife and friend anyone could ever hope for and it warms and strengthens my soul to know all of you felt the same way . Please express your love to those around you while you can. Chonda and I did all of the time and it still feels like one more time would have been nice. Forever grateful .
Ken Chisenall

Ken Chisenall - March 29 at 10:25 PM



“ Chonda will be missed very much , not just by our Family but also by all of our mutual FRiends and I'm certain by all of her kids that she loved and cared for so much. I wish all members of her family , pese in the knowledge that they had many good years together and collected many great memories..
We will honer her and all of her many accomplishments.

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Love..... all the Miller , Patrick and Belmontes Family..

Charlotte Miller - March 30 at 10:54 PM



“ My beautiful Aunt my heart is broken you was not just my aunt you was my big sister you taught me so much I always looked up to you we had so many memories We was so close in age so I learned so much from you growing up I always looked up to you we had a good talk a few weeks ago and you helped me through what I was going through and I will always be thankful to have that talk with you I love you so much

Stacey Armstrong - March 29 at 09:35 PM



“ So sorry Linda & family to hear of your loss of Chonda! I remember her from South Shores Christian Church & she was a beautiful soul inside & out! Thoughts & prayers are with you all.

Sue Durham - March 29 at 09:29 PM



“ My beautiful aunt my heart is broken you wasn't just an aunt to me you was my big sister I learned so much from you growing up I have so many memories and I will always cherish them moments Especially the trip to Florida that was an experience Rest In Peace my beautiful aunt

Stacey Armstrong - March 29 at 08:52 PM



“ Chonda was the best friend you could ask for...always ready with a hug and her cheerful smile. Her laugh was contagious and her heart made of gold. She will be greatly missed and forever loved.
Brad & Paula Shuffit

Paula Shuffit - March 29 at 06:59 PM



“ Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 29 at 04:49 PM



“ Thinking of you, Ken, and all who loved Chonda. She was so much fun, an instant friend whose light shone brightly and will continue to shine through our memories of her. We will never forget her contagious smile and how much she joy she emanated.

Blake and Lynn Bartimus - March 29 at 04:46 PM



“ Chonda was our beautiful daughter in law inside and out. She was always smiling, kind hearted, and loved her family and most of all her husband ken. We will miss her so very much that words cant express. Fly high beautiful you r home and at peace . We loved her so much Jana and Gary Chisenall

Jana and Gary Chisenall - March 29 at 12:18 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 28 at 10:44 PM



“ Ken, I'm so sorry to hear about this. So many good memories with the two of you. She will be missed by so many friends and family.



Brian Gebhart - March 28 at 08:43 PM



“ With Love-Franklin Family purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



Brianne Barrett - March 28 at 03:34 PM



“ Chonda and her husband are some of the nicest people ever. They were some of my first customer's ever. They are truly more than that. They are friends and Chonda will truly be missed by so many. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. My prayers are with the family.

Danielle Bruns - March 28 at 02:46 PM



“ My sincere sympathy to all of Shonda's family. She was a good friend of my daughter Lindsay. Such a jewel, lived life and shared her joy with all that knew her.... So sorry, my heart aches for you ...

Crystel Beckmann - March 28 at 02:21 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 28 at 02:03 PM



“ RIP Chonda...my dear friend; best ever teacher's paraprofessional who foresaw my thinking and had reinforcement work copied before I mentioned it, painted toenail co-princess, and champ---beating my patootie at the moon walk obstacle course! You came to work every day with a smile. How did we ever survive a class of 39 3rd graders? Together! Your heart was so big! I will remember you always!

Ken, and family, I am praying for each and every one of you during this time of mourning.

Brenda Grotjan - March 28 at 01:41 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Chonda

Adam Brooks - March 28 at 12:15 PM



“ A beautiful soul inside and out. We'll miss you Chonda!

Leesa Kerschner - March 28 at 12:12 PM



“ Ken, please accept my utmost sympathy for your loss, my heart goes out to you and family in this difficult time.

Jim Colebar - March 28 at 10:50 AM



“ Sorry for your loss Ken. My family will include you in our thoughts. Let me know if you need anything.

Brad Malone - March 28 at 08:24 AM



“ Chonda, I am so sorry to hear about your death. You were one of the best students I had and the world of education will be missing a special person. To the family, my thoughts and prayers go out to you.



Professor Hawkins - March 27 at 11:40 PM



“ Chonda was so kind and loving! I am so very sorry for your loss! She will be very missed by everyone they knew her!

Julie Daly - March 27 at 10:38 PM



“ Ken, with our deepest sympathy to you. Prayers for you and your family. We became instant friends our first night of Millikin. She was a girly girl that had a sparkle that made you feel like you knew her all your life. She adored and loved you like no other. Deepest Sympathy again Ken, Love, Courtney and Molly

Molly Murphy - March 27 at 07:45 PM



“ Hi Ken I know we haven't talked in years but I wanted to reach out to you & say how sorry I am . Prayers & Thoughts are with you . Gunny

craig miller - March 27 at 07:26 PM



“ I've known Chondalen for several years through the school district. She has always been a loving and caring person to others, especially children. I know she loved her job, because she has expressed it before. She will definitely be missed by a lot of people. Rest now as I know your body was tired. I will see you again my friend.



Joy Wiggle - March 27 at 07:20 PM



“ Ken we are so sorry for your loss! You are in our thoughts! The Prossers

Stacie Prosser - March 27 at 06:33 PM



“ Ken we are so sorry for your loss. Chonda was one of the kindest, sweetest people I have ever known. She made me laugh and all of us smile. There was no one like her. A light has left all of our lives. She was one of the special people in this world and she will be truly missed. Love you Ken and we are praying for you and your family .

Liz Bartimus - March 27 at 06:31 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 27 at 06:00 PM



“ My heart goes out to all of Chonda's family. I had the pleasure of working with her at Harris and she was amazing. Her fun-loving spirit was contagious. She was a fierce advocate for her students. She was a great friend. I really enjoyed the time I got to spend with her.
Know that Chonda was loved and respected by so many. She was so beautiful inside and out. We are all better people because she was in our lives.

Rest In Peace Chonda.

Denise Isom - March 27 at 04:44 PM



“ So sorry for your loss Ken and family! She was such a wonderful, kind and thoughtful person! You are all in my thoughts and prayers!

Joni Knierim - March 27 at 04:32 PM



“ Chonda's love for family and union will always live on. We will miss her.

Jon Nadler - March 27 at 03:48 PM



“ When I think of Chonda it always brings a smile to my face. Her smile could light up a room and she was so easy to be around. Chonda was beautiful inside and out. I feel blessed that I was able to call her my friend. GOD bless all of her family. My prayers are with all of you.



Dianne Baker - March 27 at 03:47 PM



“ Jon & Barb Nadler purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



Jon & Barb Nadler - March 27 at 03:46 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chondalen J. "Chonda" Chisenall.



March 27 at 03:29 PM



“ Chonda was a beautiful, funny, smart and amazing woman. I will never forget and always cherish our time working together at the Courthouse and Law Office. She could light up a room, she always had a smile and a laugh for you (even at her own expense), except when there was a storm brewing or happening. We spent many times huddled in a corner together (while others went to that dark, damp, ugly, full of bugs basement 0 which by the way she hated more than the storms). She always asked me why do you stay with me, you don't have to and I'd always tell yes I do that is what friends do, they stick together not only in the good times but the hard times as well. Fly high sweet Chonda, you will be forever be missed and continued to be loved.

Prayers to Ken and the family.



Christine Price - March 27 at 03:07 PM



“ Chonda was loved by so many because she was so sweet, kind, and giving. Her laugh was contagious. Her presence in our lives will be missed. Prayers for Kenny and the family.



Dianne Wooters - March 27 at 01:49 AM



“ Ken, I am so very sorry for the lost of your beautiful Chonda. Everone who knew and loved her will miss her fun and loving ways. My thoughts and love are with you. Kaye Marshall (Kim's mom)

Kaye Marshall - March 27 at 05:21 PM