



## Wendy Deanne Cummings

July 21, 1975 - March 3, 2026

Wendy Deanne Cummings, age 50, of Sweetwater, Tennessee, passed away peacefully at home on March 3, 2026, after a long struggle of health complications. Born on July 21, 1975, Wendy was raised in Sweetwater and later lived in Lenoir City, where she faithfully attended church and built her life around her faith and family.

Wendy was a strong, kind-hearted woman whose family meant everything to her. She loved deeply and selflessly, always placing her children and grandchildren at the center of her world. Whether it was a family gathering, a quiet visit, or a simple phone call, she treasured every moment spent with them. Her warmth, strength, and caring spirit touched all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her grandfathers, William Anderson; Author Jess Shell; grandparents, Ben and Ernestine Kyker; and her beloved grandson, Knox Ritchey.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her loving parents, Steve and Belinda Shell; her three children, Skye (Gordon) Ritchey of Madisonville, Chandler (Olivia) Cummings of Athens, and Mason Cummings of Sweetwater; her brother, Brandon (Melissa) Shell; her grandmother, Alice Ann Anderson; her treasured grandchildren, Nash Ritchey, Myles Ritchey, and Khloe Cummings; her devoted partner, Heath Richardson, and his father, Jimmy Richardson; along with extended family and friends who will forever carry her memory in their hearts.

Wendy's love will continue to live on in the lives she shaped and the family

she adored. She will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, March 7, 2026 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 2:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. followed by a 4:00 P.M. celebration of life service in Kyker's chapel with Rev. Jeff Anderson officiating. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wendy Deanne Cummings*



**Kyker Funeral Home** - March 06 at 04:28 PM

LG

“ *LeAnn (Borden-Graves) & Curtis Graves planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wendy Deanne Cummings.*

**LeAnn (Borden-Graves) & Curtis Graves** - March 07 at 11:56 AM

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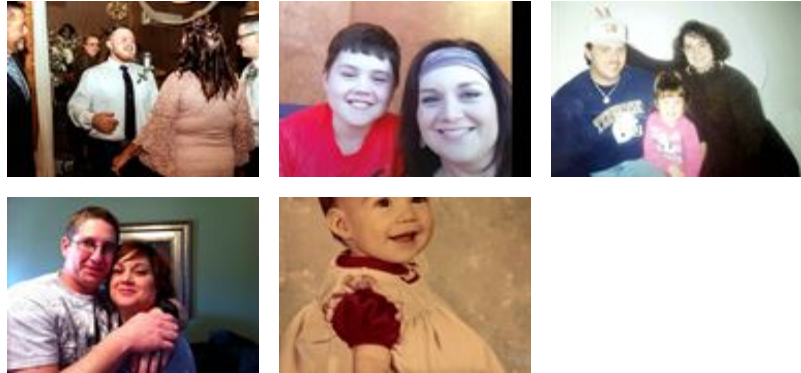
“ *LeAnn (Borden-Graves) & Curtis Graves purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.*



**LeAnn (Borden-Graves) & Curtis Graves** - March 07 at 11:56 AM



“ 76 files added to the album Life Tributes



Kyker Funeral Home - March 06 at 04:24 PM



“ Gary & Sheila; Tim & Megan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wendy Deanne Cummings.

Gary & Sheila; Tim & Megan - March 06 at 03:15 PM



“ Gary & Sheila; Tim & Megan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.



Gary & Sheila; Tim & Megan - March 06 at 03:15 PM

FK

“ From Ouida, Jimmy, Ricky, & Kaylee purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.



From Ouida, Jimmy, Ricky, & Kaylee - March 05 at 06:08 PM

MB

“ Mark Kirshner, Alexis, Jeff, Bri purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.



Mark Kirshner, Alexis, Jeff, Bri - March 05 at 04:37 PM

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“ Shelly Walker (Hazenfield) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wendy Deanne Cummings.

Shelly Walker (Hazenfield) - March 05 at 12:45 PM

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“ Shelly Walker (Hazenfield) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.



Shelly Walker (Hazenfield) - March 05 at 12:45 PM

TJ

“ Wendy, Heath and Jimmy are treasured members of our church. She was full of love and faith in Christ and loved each of us deeply! The family remains in my prayers. We love you all.

Terry Walden Johnson - March 05 at 12:39 PM

PF

“ Pratt Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.



Pratt Family - March 04 at 10:03 PM

LF

“ Lynda Rice And Family lit a candle in memory of Wendy Deanne Cummings



Lynda Rice and Family - March 04 at 09:27 PM

CA

“ I worked a short time with Wendy in Home Health.. always sweet .. nice to be around..prayers to all her family.. Carol and Mike Akins

Carol Akins - March 04 at 07:39 PM

HD

“ *Holly Duggan lit a candle in memory of Wendy Deanne Cummings*



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**Holly Duggan** - March 04 at 07:02 PM

LM

“ *Lambcon Ready Mix purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.*



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**Lambcon Ready Mix** - March 04 at 06:50 PM

AH

“ *Wendy was so full of love. We loved seeing her when we attended church and she loved my kids. I am so blessed to have known her. Rest in peace and know you were loved by many. Amanda Harvey and kids*

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**Amanda Harvey** - March 04 at 05:47 PM

KF

“ *Kathy Frye lit a candle in memory of Wendy Deanne Cummings*



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**Kathy Frye** - March 04 at 03:58 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wendy Deanne Cummings.*



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March 04 at 03:04 PM