



Chelsea Leigh Rugh

September 2, 1982 - January 19, 2020

Chelsea Leigh Rugh, 37, of Spartanburg, SC, passed away with the comfort of her parents by her side on January 19, 2020, as Heaven received an angel. Her Memorial Service will be conducted Saturday at 2 o'clock in the Benchmark Cowpens, Cowpens, SC.

Chelsea had made the Greenville-Spartanburg area her home. Her sister, Cameron, has remembered her as follows: "For most of you that don't know, Chelsea suffered from a rare disorder called Chromosome Ring 18. She outlived the expected survival rate for her chromosome abnormality. She never lived a normal life, she lived a hard life needing constant care and attention, in and out of the hospital. She was the biggest fighter I've ever met. She loved Barney (yes Barney), McDonald's (even tho she didn't get to eat it often) and turning the TV to static channels (back in the day) and turning the volume up as loud as it would go (drove us crazy). Me and my brothers always knew we could make her laugh by pretending to fall down or trip each other up-anything to keep her entertained and smiling. In my heart I know she was greeted at the gates of heaven, healed from all her disabilities, pain and suffering".

Survivors include her parents, Tom and Kay Rugh, Murrell's Inlet, SC; two brothers, Aaron (Jyoti) Rugh, Boston, MA and Nathaniel Rugh, Spain; a sister, Cameron Rugh, Smyrna, GA; grandmother, Irene Miller, Murrell's Inlet, SC;

two aunts, Misty Castle, Houston, TX, Pam Castle, Winchester, TN and Janine (Rick) Metcalf, Murrell's Inlet, SC; an uncle, Jim (Angie) Rugh, Chesapeake, VA.

The family has requested no flowers. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Charles Lea Center at charleslea.org

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta in charge of arrangements (803-278-1181). Visit the registry at www.PoseyCares.com

Previous Events

Service

JAN 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

Benchmark, Cowpens
Cowpens, SC

Tribute Wall



“ *Chelsea Leigh Rugh*

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Chelsea Leigh Rugh*

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chelsea Leigh Rugh.*



February 04, 2020 at 03:56 PM



“ *Phynd Technologies purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Chelsea Leigh Rugh.*



Phynd Technologies - January 29, 2020 at 03:34 PM



“ *Tom and Kay, so sorry to hear of Chelsea Leigh passing. Our prayers are with you and your Family. Nancy and Jim White*

Nancy and Jim White - January 26, 2020 at 07:05 PM



“ Thank you for sharing at our Growth Group about your beautiful daughter. I know you will miss her and our prayers are with you and your family. ❤️

Rachel Shumaker - January 25, 2020 at 12:31 PM

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“ Kay and Tom, I am so sorry to hear. I still remember you sharing Chelsea's story with with Billy and I when we had our Baby Julia with a similar condition. Thank you for that outreach then and know that we are praying for your family now. She is with Jesus. Amy and Billy Hane

Amy Hane - January 22, 2020 at 07:32 PM