



Noel Joanne Zakens

December 23, 1973 - April 7, 2014

Noel Joanne Zakens, of Eastpointe, passed away Monday, April 7, 2014, at the age of 40. Noel was born on December 23, 1973, in Detroit, Michigan. Loving daughter of Barbara and the late John. Dear sister of Michelle (Wayne) Byrd, Jesse (Cassy) Zakens, Jason (Amanda) Zakens, Joseph Zakens, and Catherine Zakens. Fun-loving aunt of Alexandra, Christina, William, Andrew, Alison, Elizabeth, Lucy, Jason, and Carter. Dear niece of Maryann and Barbara Zakens. Noel is also survived by her companion friend "Meeshy," and many other loving cousins, family members, and dear friends.

Tribute Wall

AM

“ Noel,

My only wish for you is that you are free from pain and suffering. Even though I want you here I know that God had bigger plans for you. Never once did I hear you say "why me", "this isn't fair", or "I give up". You fought with everything you had, and did it with dignity and grace.

Your smile lit up a room and your zest for life made everyone want to be around you. I will miss our "hey girl", acting goofy, dinner dates, karaoke, and shopping fun.

Your love for your family and friends was overflowing, and we are all lucky to have had a piece of it. Thank you for being part of my life, and for loving my kids as if they were your own. Thank you for giving Elizabeth so many adventures and for being such an important person in her life.

I know when my time comes I will see your beautiful smile, and long red hair, waiting to sing a "Journey" song, and I will be happy to sing along, but until then, I will hold you in my heart. Love you always!

Amanda - April 17, 2014 at 03:32 PM

MM

“ *I have never met Noel but am close friend with Connie Dillon and I feel as if I knew her. My thoughts and prayers are with your family and Noel is in the hands of angels.*

Mary McLaughlan - April 16, 2014 at 12:11 PM

MM

“ *Mary McLaughlan lit a candle in memory of Noel Joanne Zakens*



Mary McLaughlan - April 16, 2014 at 12:09 PM

CM

“ *Connie Dillon/ your other mother*



Connie Dillon/ your other mother - April 16, 2014 at 11:14 AM

CD

“ *Many years of friendship, laughter, and love. Continued with the entire family. The Dillons are blessed to have known the energetic fashionista that Noel was. She never complained and always brought smiles to everyones faces. She is now smiling with all the many angels in heaven. I bet she is giving them a lesson in shoe buying. We can only hope that our lives are as wholesome and beautiful as hers was.*



Connie Dillon

Connie Dillon - April 16, 2014 at 10:53 AM

EZ

“ I love auntie very much she took me to lots of fun places. I was her number one friend, I love her very much and I hope she is better and has all her hair back. I love you auntie!



Elizabeth Zakens - April 15, 2014 at 05:33 PM

AL

“ Jason ... Though I never knew your sister, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers...so young for such tragedy in your lives....I truly do believe your father is holding his daughter in his arms and drying your tears.....embrace the love and hugs from your family and friends...for you are surrounded by those that love and adore you....Andrea and Jimmy alewis

Andrea Lewis - April 13, 2014 at 07:35 AM

MY

“ I will always remember Noel's beautiful voice which my friends could never understand why she didn't go professional. She rode a motorcycle with one of my friends which I thought I would never see. And in her teens when she pierced her nose I thought my sister would keel over! She always enjoyed life and had one of the first shave back haircuts.....she was definitely before her time but always looked so pretty.

When ever she visited she always brought a treat or one of those I think Amish pies that she drove miles for? And of course when she visited one of the two Boston bullterriers came too and we always slept with them while we laughed and joked all night long.

Noel was devoted to her family and if you asked she helped. She was taken so soon, too soon....words are insufficient. To say I miss her, she was beautiful and caring is an understatement!

I need you now for your down to earth sensibility and you can only lie in my heart now.

Your Godmother

mya - April 11, 2014 at 09:08 AM

MR

“ I will always remember Noel's beautiful smile and friendly Hello! I was fortunate to spend some time with her a couple weeks ago. A lovely angel was sent back to heaven to be with her Dad! Father above please bless the Zakens family with understanding and peace for their great loss!

Love, Charles and Toni

Michele Roland - April 11, 2014 at 12:45 AM

MT

“ Noel, I only knew you for over a year working at DHL in Flint, MI. You were an amazing person, so kind and caring. You had the passion to do anything and loved what you did. May you rest in peace with God and the Angels. May a star shine on your family always knowing your with them. Go forth in Heaven and knowing your at peace.

Michele Troczynski

Michele Troczynski - April 10, 2014 at 10:23 AM

BZ

“ 1 file added to the album Memories of Noel



Barbara J. Zakens - April 10, 2014 at 09:57 AM

SC

“ May you rest in peace Noel, you fought a hard battle. I pray GOD grants peace and comfort to your loved ones left behind.



Sue Calandrino - April 10, 2014 at 08:28 AM

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Michelle Zakens-Byrd (sister) - April 09, 2014 at 06:50 PM

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Michelle Zakens-Byrd (sister) - April 09, 2014 at 06:46 PM

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“ 12 files added to the album *Memories of Noel*



Michelle Zakens-Byrd (sister) - April 09, 2014 at 06:43 PM

BC

“ *Noel had a sweetness about her, a kindness that is rare. She always lightened up a room when she came in. I'd like to think she's still doing that in heaven.*

Bill Carey - April 08, 2014 at 10:11 PM