



## Paula Jeanne Lyons

August 1, 1958 - June 24, 2024

Paula Jeanne “PJ” Lyons of Lexington, TN (65), entered fully into the presence of the Lord on Monday, June 24, 2024. Born to Paul Roger Fascella and Jeanne Marie Robinson Fascella in Goshen, New York on August 1, 1958, PJ graduated from Seminole High School in Sanford, Florida in 1976. She faithfully served in many roles throughout her life, but found the most fulfillment and greatest purpose in being a devoted homemaker for her husband and their five children. She deeply enjoyed an early morning beach sunrise, belting out the music of Watermark and Rich Mullins, pouring over the writings of JRR Tolkien, listening to the sermons of Adrian Rogers, preparing delicious meals for family and friends, being a “hobby farmer” and loving everyone who stepped into her path in a big, authentic fashion. For almost a decade, she poured her mothering heart and thoughtful parenting into the precious lives of displaced children as an affectionate houseparent and skilled cook at Hope Children’s Home in Tampa, Florida. Most recently, she was the cheerful face of Henderson County Clinic of Chiropractic in Lexington, where she sought to touch each person who walked through the door with the love of God. Above all, PJ’s life was defined by her intimate walk with Jesus Christ and powerful intercessory prayers. Survived by her faithful husband, Gregory, of Lexington, and loving children Nikki Smith (Trey), Amanda Blankenship (Jeremy), LaVie-en Rose Hakes (Jon), Kaley Byrum (Lucas) and Allen Lyons. Her beloved grandchildren include Elliot & Van Ottress Byrum, Maggie, Weston & John Warren Smith and Brandon Lyons. PJ is also survived by her

brother, Patrick O'Brien, and several nieces and nephews, including Denise Fullman and Kelly Stoehr. She is preceded in death by her parents, step-mother Velma Sherertz Fascella, sister Mary Kathryn O'Brien, and brothers Frank Fascella and William O'Brien. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Friday, June 28th at Sand Ridge Baptist Church, 2PM with Reed's Chapel in charge of the arrangements.. All are welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to Kontaktmission, where she most recently served as a volunteer(GIVING – Kontaktmission USA ([gokmusa.org](http://gokmusa.org))).

# Tribute Wall

TC

“ To my other “Hope Family”, my heart goes out to you all. I know there is joy in your heart that your mamma is in a far better place than any of us can imagine. But I also know the sorrow your hearts feel in the loss in seeing the joy in your mamma’s face every morning. I can remember her walking into the girl’s dorm room, singing. Her favorite anthem in the morning, “Wakey, wakey, eggs and bakey! I loved when she cooked for us and Greg chipped in some help. We always knew the food would be blessed with good flavor.  
Although it is wrong to be envious, what it must be like to stand before the King and look at His glory.  
May Jesus be with you all. You will be in my prayers, love you all.  
Aunt Teresa

Teresa Unwin Carter - August 09, 2024 at 08:37 PM

BB

“ Aunt PJ was a very loving and caring person, I looked forward to our encounters at Hope Children's Home. When she delivered the food to the dorm, she'd always leave me feeling encouraged as her love for the Lord came out in everything she said. I look forward to seeing her again in Heaven.

Beth Bernheisel - July 01, 2024 at 10:17 AM

TF

“ The Patterson and Taylor families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



The Patterson and Taylor families - June 28, 2024 at 11:25 AM

TF

“ From: The Patterson and Taylor families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paula Jeanne Lyons.

The Patterson and Taylor families - June 28, 2024 at 11:25 AM

DF

“ Dr Nwedo (Hopefield Family) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



Dr Nwedo (Hopefield Family) - June 28, 2024 at 11:24 AM

DF

“ Dr Nwedo (Hopefield Family) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paula Jeanne Lyons.

Dr Nwedo (Hopefield Family) - June 28, 2024 at 11:24 AM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



June 28, 2024 at 09:22 AM

FH

“ From Emily, Andrew and Ella Hill purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



From Emily, Andrew and Ella Hill - June 27, 2024 at 07:01 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



June 27, 2024 at 12:40 PM

FT

“ FirstBank Accounting Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paula Jeanne Lyons.

FirstBank Accounting Team - June 27, 2024 at 12:40 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



June 27, 2024 at 09:47 AM

GJ

“ PJ was a wonderful soul. We only knew each other about 2 years but in that time she has been a great inspiration to me and has been a part of me turning my life around towards God again. She helped make me a stronger Christain and also helped me to release some of my troubles and begin to pray in earnest again. I will never forget her. I loved PJ. God bless!

Gale Jones - June 26, 2024 at 09:40 PM

SD

“ I'm so sorry to hear the news of PJ's passing. Although I haven't seen her in many years, I'll always remember how her kind smile and positive attitude would fill the room with joy. I'm praying for her beautiful family to find peace and comfort during this difficult time.



Susan Davidson - June 26, 2024 at 09:39 PM

AO

“ Aunt Pj will always hold a special place in my heart. I loved her always positive attitude and she was a great co worker at the Children's home . My prayers are with her family .

Antonio Ortiz - June 26, 2024 at 09:57 AM

BW

“ Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Paula Jeanne Lyons



Barbara Willis - June 25, 2024 at 11:29 PM

BW

*Prayers for her family/*

**Barbara Willis** - June 25, 2024 at 11:31 PM

MJ

“ *I was so sad to hear of the passing of our dear friend PJ. I admired her so much for her loyalty to her family and her friends, but most of all to her Lord and Savior. May God Bring comfort to her family and friends at this time.*

**Mary Jowers** - June 25, 2024 at 10:48 PM

RS

“ *Rhonda Sanders sent a virtual gift in memory of Paula Jeanne Lyons*



**Rhonda Sanders** - June 25, 2024 at 08:23 PM

RG

“ *The first time I met PJ, we became friends. We swapped phone numbers and friended online. We shared funny stories, sermons from various pastors, and a love for Jesus. I was so excited about Brandon having a Godly grandmother in his life. I pray he will have at least some memories of her. She was a true treasure for everyone but so much so for her family. I pray they will find comfort in the arms of the Lord as they look forward to that day when their circle will once again be unbroken.*



**Robin Gracey** - June 25, 2024 at 08:21 PM

DE

“ Mrs PJ was a dear lady who loves everyone.and she was smiling and asking how your day was going.

Debra edge - June 25, 2024 at 08:03 PM

SR

“ PJ loved her life with such enthusiasm. She brought so much joy and love to others through her love for Jesus.She will be greatly missed by all. I'm praying 🙏 for all of her family: May they feel Gods comfort and peace ❤️

Sue Riopel - June 25, 2024 at 07:08 PM

BF

“ Brandie Grant and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Paula Jeanne Lyons.



Brandie Grant and family - June 25, 2024 at 06:04 PM

BF

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Brandie Grant and family - June 25, 2024 at 06:04 PM

EV

“ Many prayers for Ms PJ's friends, family and all those who loved her. 🙏🙏🙏

Elizabeth Vineyard - June 25, 2024 at 06:02 PM

MT

“ *Melinda Thurmond lit a candle in memory of Paula Jeanne Lyons*



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**Melinda Thurmond** - June 25, 2024 at 05:34 PM

MT

*Amanda, my prayers and sympathy are with you and family. Love you*

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**Melinda Thurmond** - June 25, 2024 at 05:36 PM

LA

*Ms. PJ was defiantly one of a kind. Her beautiful smile and sweet presence will truly be missed. My sincere condolences to all who loved her.*

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**Lagail** - June 26, 2024 at 02:52 PM

JH

*Sorry to hear of PJ's passing. My father and her father were cousins. I remember when she was born. I was 8 and her mom, Jeanne, asked if I wanted to hold her. Will never forget how thrilled I was to hold her.*

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**JoAnn Fascella Hein** - June 26, 2024 at 04:47 PM