



## Melissa Kay LeMaster

March 19, 1949 - June 28, 2024

Melissa “Missy” Kay LeMaster, 75, passed away peacefully in her sleep on June 28, 2024, after battling 19 months with pancreatic cancer. She was born on March 19, 1949, in Savannah, Georgia to Paul Matthews and Velma (Matthews) Balden. Melissa was a cheerleader and graduated from Pierce City High School in 1967 and married the love of her life, John LeMaster, on August 17, 1968, at Saint Mary's Catholic Church.

Melissa worked several years at the United Missouri Bank in Monett, Missouri and later spent years volunteering on the board at Jolly Mill serving as board secretary. Melissa lived a full and vibrant life from beginning to end and touched the lives of many people along the way. She will be deeply missed.

Melissa was preceded in death by her father, Paul Matthews and mother, Velma (Matthews) Balden. Also preceding her death are her grandparents, John and Carolina Eimer and her uncle and aunt, Floyd Eimer and Helen Crossno. She is survived by her husband, John LeMaster; Aunt, Margie Baker; cousins, Connie Koeneman, Michael Eimer, and Paul David Eimer. Also surviving is her sister-in-law, Izetta Osmond (John); niece, Kasie Brandon (Anthony); nephew, Rhett Mayfield; and a host of great-nieces and great-nephews.

She has been cremated at her request and the family will be holding a

celebration of life at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ So sorry ,to hear of Missy's passing. We had some wonderful times together, in high school. We lived so close to each other growing up. Prayers for the family 🙏

Lea Ann Senter - July 14, 2024 at 09:20 PM

GA

“ John, Jim and I are heartbroken about Melissa's illness and passing. As you know Melissa was my Matron of Honor at our Wedding. She will always be in our memories ❤️



Gloria Abramovitz - July 08, 2024 at 01:37 PM

JA

“ Very proud to have been in the Class of 1967 of Pierce City high school with Melissa . This was a very happy day for both of us to get started with our post High School lives.

Jim Abramovitz



Jim Abramovitz - July 06, 2024 at 05:44 PM

RC

“ John, We are sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Ron and Debbie Creed** - July 03, 2024 at 04:15 PM



“ Sandra and I offer our sincere sympathy to John and the family. Melissa was a GREAT person. We are thankful for the time she shared with us when we all at Jace's. We know her good spirit lives on in all of her family.

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**Ronald Bowen** - July 02, 2024 at 04:04 PM

MC

“ Melissa, a great friend and high school classmate. John, we are so sorry for You and Your Families loss.

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**Mike and Chris Cobb** - July 01, 2024 at 09:45 PM