



Melissa Sue Fralic

March 10, 1981 - August 2, 2014

Melissa Sue Fralic, aged 33 of Hart, entered into the presence of her Lord and Savior on Saturday, August 2, 2014 with her loving family by her side. Melissa was born on March 10, 1981 in Manistee, the daughter of Melvin and Linda (Wresinski) Kruse, and graduated from Manistee High School with the class of 1999. She attended Central Michigan University, earning her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education in 2004, and furthered her education by completing her Masters Degree in Reading from Western Michigan University in 2010. On June 18, 2005, she married Mark W. Fralic in Manistee, and they cherished every moment together.

Melissa began her teaching career for the Benzie County Central Schools, before moving to Hart Public Schools where she has taught Kindergarten, Head Start, and GSRP the past 9 years. She and Mark were active members of Mason County Reformed Church in Scottville, serving as Life Group leaders, and she was also a member of the Association for the Education of Young Children (AEYC). Melissa loved to spend her free time kayaking, going on hikes, and scrapbooking, but her greatest joy came in the presence of her beloved family and friends.

Melissa will be greatly missed by her husband Mark, her parents Melvin and Linda Kruse of Manistee, her brother Michael (Svetlana) Kruse of Washington, her sisters Julie Kruse, and Jamie (Jacob) Charette all of Manistee, Mark's

parents Rusty and Dixie Fralic of Hart, his sister Layna (Bill) Howland of Hurricane, WV, her niece Lilee Howland, and her nephew Liam Howland, her grandmothers Janet (Jack) Aussicker of Zeeland, and Norma Schimke of Onekema, many great friends, and all the children she has had the blessing of teaching over the years.

Melissa was preceded in death by her grandparents Bridget and Ed Kruse, and Alex and Eleanore Wresinski.

A Celebration of Melissa's Life will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, August 16 at the Mason County Reformed Church with her friend, Pastor Randy Boerema officiating. Friends may meet with her family for a time of visitation on Friday evening, August 15 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm also at the church. Those who wish to make contributions are asked to consider the Melissa Fralic Scholarship Fund, which will assist graduates of Hart Schools who are interested in pursuing a career in Elementary Education.

Please leave a tribute of Melissa for her family, or light a candle in her memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mason County Reformed Church
45 South Amber
Scottville, MI 49454

Service

AUG **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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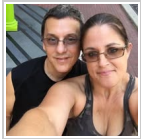
Tribute Wall



“ Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic



Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - September 04, 2014 at 11:31 AM



“ My son Jeremiah moved away and came back to hart few days ago and came home say momma mrs fralic has passway he was upset he loved her all the kids loved her she was full of life and happy. The kids will miss her dearly prays to the family.

Amber Toner - February 23, 2015 at 06:51 PM

JK

“ Melissa is one of the kindest and most loving people I know. I have many fond memories from childhood of talking, playing, and joking with Melissa at family gatherings. Living in California now I have not been able to visit very often, but Melissa always made me feel at home, as if I had never moved away, when I visited Manistee. When I saw her in July she held my hand tight and was still more interested in comforting and welcoming me and asking how I was doing than me asking about her. Melissa is a beautiful, selfless friend, and heaven is brightened from her presence. My heart and prayers go out to her loving family: my Uncle Mel, Aunt Susie, Michael, Julie, and Jaimie and her loving friends. Josh Kruse

Josh Kruse - August 16, 2014 at 10:03 AM

CW

“ My favorite memories of Melissa were when we worked for "Finner Catering"...the laughter was contagious and her spirit was so bright. I pray you all feel the peace and comfort that God gives you in various ways as you continue on without her.
Connie Watson

Connie Watson - August 10, 2014 at 09:30 PM

DH

“ We would like to offer our deepest sympathy to all of the Kruse family. Your in our thoughts and prayers. Diane and Mike Harwell and family
Christine Zielinski

Diane Harwell - August 08, 2014 at 12:25 PM

PC

“ I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to Melissa's family. I had not had the privaledge of meeting Melissa but have known Mel for a long time and having had the wonderful recent opportunity of meeting Linda and having known both of them, i know Melissa had to have been a tremendous daughter, wife, and teacher. I truly wish I could have met her. Please take care of yourselves...

Pauline Chick - August 07, 2014 at 10:35 PM

JL

“ Growing up, my locker was next to Melissa's up through high school. She was a very gentle and kind person, and we'd often walk together to band class. She was a wonderful flutist. My prayers are with her family and loved ones.

Jayne LaFleur - August 07, 2014 at 09:12 PM

MS

“ *Mark and Kruse Family,*
Our hearts go out to all of you, please know all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. Melissa was a very special person, who touched a lot of people’s lives at Orchard Beach. She started the tie-dye craft at the Park and it continues to be the most popular craft offered. Melissa loved helping the campers and organizing all kinds of crafts and activities for the kids. Working with Melissa and Mark was a joy. She will be missed, but not forgotten.

Your Orchard Beach State Park Family



Melinda, Orchard Beach SP - August 07, 2014 at 01:44 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Melissa Sue Fralic.*



August 07, 2014 at 12:55 PM

RJ

“ *Rose Jones lit a candle in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic*



Rose Jones - August 07, 2014 at 10:48 AM

DN

“ *Melissa was a beautiful person, inside and out, who touched the lives of so many people. My thoughts and prayers go out to you. May God comfort you and surround you with encouragement during this time.*

Danielle Rosenow Nelson - August 06, 2014 at 09:20 PM

TF

“ *Heaven has a new angel. Melissa was a beautiful person. My deepest sympathies go out to her family. May God comfort you in your loss.*

Teresa Feagins - August 06, 2014 at 08:52 PM

MB

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. Our prayers will be with all of you. Love you Gary, Missy, Nicholas and Evan*

melissa Rhodea Bauman - August 06, 2014 at 07:26 PM


ButchMarsha
Longcore

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ButchMarsha Longcore - August 06, 2014 at 07:21 PM

BS

“ *Dear friends, The finality of being separated from Melissa is very heart wrenching. But the sting of death will never win because you will see her again ! Praying for you. Love, Beryl Salzman*

Beryl Salzman - August 06, 2014 at 04:35 PM

CS

“ To Linda and Melvin, I am so sorry to learn of this heartbreaking loss. Although I didn't know Melissa, I am sure she was a wonderful person, just like her mother. My deepest sympathy to you and to the rest of Melissa's family. Cosy

Cosette Schaefer - August 06, 2014 at 03:49 PM



“ Melissa was truly the most beautiful, kind person. My prayers go out to the family.

Amanda Brookens - August 06, 2014 at 01:45 PM

DR

“ Linda and Mel, I'm so very sorry for your great loss. Melissa was a beautiful person, as is her mother. My heart aches for you and your family. May God be with you.

Dorothy Rhodea

Dorothy Rhodea - August 06, 2014 at 12:35 PM

RN

“ Praying for the entire family during this difficult time.

Rachel (Wagner) Nelson - August 06, 2014 at 08:42 AM

RO

“ Renee Offerman lit a candle in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic



Renee Offerman - August 06, 2014 at 08:10 AM

MR

“*Mrs. Fralic was my children's preschool teacher in Hart. We have so many wonderful memories of her making the kids laugh and smile. She will truly be missed. She touched so many lives. God bless.*”

Michelle Riggs - August 06, 2014 at 07:47 AM

MR

“*I worked with Melissa (and Mark) at Orchard Beach State Park for a few years and I'm truly saddened to hear of Melissa's passing. She was a great person with a great attitude and outlook on life. I especially would like to send my condolences to Mark, who was clearly her soulmate even when they were just dating back then. I'm truly sorry for your loss.*”

Mark Reffitt - August 06, 2014 at 07:19 AM

HC

“*Helen Chycinski lit a candle in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic*”



Helen Chycinski - August 06, 2014 at 05:06 AM

JK

“*Everybody who met Melissa was better for knowing her. Prayers of comfort and peace for Mark and the rest of her beloved family.*”

Jenny (Thompson) King - August 06, 2014 at 12:30 AM

CT

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Melissa's family. I was saddened by the news. I will always remember Melissa as being one of the nicest people I have ever known. She was down to earth and funny. I remember sharing many laughs together on the soccer team our senior year of high school. -Candace Turk

Candace Turk - August 05, 2014 at 10:52 PM

CO

“ It's so sad... Melissa was an amazing person and I'm am so sorry for her family . She worked with my aunt Tracy and she always was smiling and cheerful.. prayers to mark an her family

Courtney - August 05, 2014 at 09:37 PM

RW

“ Heaven gained another angel. I'm blessed to have known you. Condolences to Mark and the Kruse family.

Rose Ward - August 05, 2014 at 09:30 PM

RW

“ Rose Ward lit a candle in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic



Rose Ward - August 05, 2014 at 09:12 PM

ST

“ *Melissa was a great teacher to my daughters as well as a great confident for me and my sisters. She worked with my sister Tracy and was a great inspiration to us with a great sense of life. She will be truly missed but never forgotten.. Prayers and condolences to mark and family.. Stacy,Brooklyn and Lexi*

stacy - August 05, 2014 at 09:08 PM

LI

“ *Laura Ikamas lit a candle in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic*



Laura Ikamas - August 05, 2014 at 08:50 PM

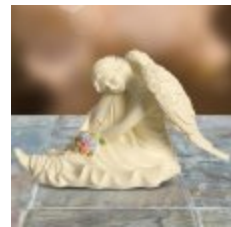
Amber England

“ *Awww... Melissa you will be missed you were such a loving, beautiful person! Heaven does have one amazing Angel! Mark, our thoughts and prayers are with you!*

Amber England - August 05, 2014 at 08:45 PM



“ *Platinum - Serene Angel was purchased for the family of Melissa Sue Fralic.*



August 05, 2014 at 08:43 PM

Rachel
Smith

“ Rachel Smith lit a candle in memory of
Melissa Sue Fralic



Rachel Smith - August 05, 2014 at 08:24 PM

JR

“ Mark and family, so sorry to hear about Melissa. She had a smile
and personality that lit up a room. We are keeping all of you in our
thoughts and prayers.

Janet, Don, Alyssa & Jordan Redding

Janet Redding - August 05, 2014 at 08:05 PM

JN

“ I had the joy of working with the sweet and caring, Melissa in Hart.
She loved kids and her passion shined! My thoughts are with her
family, friends, and students.

Jill Newton - August 05, 2014 at 08:04 PM

MF

“ Melissa was a very kind gentle person, so loving and will be missed
by many. We send our love and prayers to the families who have
lost her? all our love, Fett and Edenburn families

Monica Fett - August 05, 2014 at 07:57 PM

Jackie McClure

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Jackie McClure - August 05, 2014 at 07:21 PM

Jackie McClure

Our son Robert was in her Kindergarten class this year. She was a kind woman who did everything in her power to be there for her children til the end of the school year. Very sorry to hear of her passing. She fought a courageous battle.

The McClure Family

Jackie McClure - August 05, 2014 at 07:23 PM

ButchMarsha Longcore

I remember this day vividly. Last field trip of the year. In fact, I think I remember when this photo was taken. I had my eyes on Mrs. Fralic most of the day. It was sad to see how weak and frail she had become- to the point she had to have someone help her walk.....but so wonderful to see her constant dedication to these wonderful children. She will be missed but so glad for the time my daughter had with her. I know she made a huge impact in SO MANY lives. Who could ask for more? I pray for peace and strength to the family and friends....and thank you for sharing her with us. :-)

ButchMarsha Longcore - August 06, 2014 at 07:14 PM

Jodi Eckholm

“ *she was so cheerful and good with her students my son tyler tanis had her and loved her. he will miss seeing her face at school this year. rest in peace melissa you was a great and awesome teacher. friendly and loved.*



Jodi Eckholm - August 05, 2014 at 07:11 PM

BN

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mark and his entire family. Melissa will be deeply missed. She brought joy to so many people in her short time with us. Her smile would light up a room.

Beatta and Marc Needham

Beatta Needham - August 05, 2014 at 06:57 PM

TW

“ I loved her smile...my heart was warmed everytime she would smile and her cheeks would turn red. Truly will miss her.

Tammy Wendt - August 05, 2014 at 06:27 PM



“ Our love and prayers are with Mark and the whole family in the loss of Melissa. She touched the lives of many, many children and families through which her legacy will continue to grow and thrive. May God grant you His amazing strength and peace now and in the days ahead.

Matt, Nicole, Kennedy and Hayden McDonald

Nicole McDonald - August 05, 2014 at 05:23 PM

TF

“ Our family first met Mrs Fralic during her year with Head Start and continued throughout the kids' time at Spitler. We loved her gentle and calming spirit and genuine care she gave her students. Her smile could always be counted on to brighten everyone else's day. Our deepest condolences to her family. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

The Ron Alvesteffer Family - August 05, 2014 at 04:52 PM

TW

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Melissa. I enjoyed working with her. She will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with her husband and family.

Tracy Wagner - August 05, 2014 at 04:21 PM

LD

“ So sorry for your loss....hugs and prayers to all of the family. ...Mrs. Fralic was our son's first teacher and our daughter had Mr. Fralic last year. We were all saddened by the news of her passing...she will be greatly missed. Sincerely...Kayla, Colton, and the rest of the Dean family

Lesley Dean - August 05, 2014 at 04:15 PM



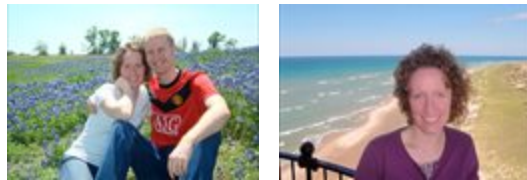
“ Alyssa Juhl lit a candle in memory of Melissa Sue Fralic



Alyssa Juhl - August 05, 2014 at 02:54 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - August 05, 2014 at 01:39 PM

NG

Sending thoughts and prayers to the whole family..May God embrace you at this sad time...

Nancy Gancarz - August 05, 2014 at 06:34 PM

DN

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY. SHE TOUCHED SO MANY CHILDRENS LIVES AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED

DEBBIE NORMAN - August 05, 2014 at 06:48 PM

MM

Never had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Fralic, but knew of her and her horrible suffering.....we've lost two excellent teachers from Spitler this summer, both very brave women, God Rest your Souls Kathy Thocher Evans and Mrs. Fralic...

Marsha Mahynski

Marsha Mahynski - August 05, 2014 at 09:58 PM

NB

I remember meeting her just after she was born when Don and Yvonne got married. She grew up to be a beautiful and generous woman. Linda and Mel, you should be proud of her life. We are so sorry for your loss and will be praying for you.

Nora Berninger - August 06, 2014 at 09:01 AM

BR

I am so sorry for your loss Mel and Linda, my heart goes out to you and your whole family and your Son-in-law and his famjly as well. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. God be with you at this sad time.

Brenda Rybicki - August 06, 2014 at 07:55 PM

BS

My heart and prayers go out to the family. Mark--please know the Schroeders are praying for you. Melissa was a beautiful and caring soul. God be with you.

Betsy Schlabach - August 08, 2014 at 03:25 PM