



Colby Elizabeth McDaniel

December 10, 1995 - December 21, 2014

Colby Elizabeth McDaniel, a graduate of Southwest Christian School in Fort Worth and current student at Abilene Christian University entered into eternal life on Sunday morning December 21, 2014 at her home in Fort Worth, Texas.

Visitation: 11 to 12 a.m. on Saturday, December 27, 2014 at Alta Mesa Church of Christ where funeral services will follow at 12 Noon. Burial will follow at Greenwood Memorial Park in Fort Worth.

Tribute Wall



“ Colby was such a hard worker. I tutored her every Tuesday and Thursday for most of the semester. She was deliberate and accurate in her thoughts, and she never gave up trying to understand a concept. But more than school work, I remember her as kind and thoughtful. She loved to laugh with all the other music majors up and down the practice room hallway. And I remember talking about those struggles every freshman has like finding the right friends, and wondering about changing her major. Everyday things that made her such a real person. She was always there to make a joke or be a comfort. It was a privilege to know her, to get to say hi to her walking around campus.

She was a special person. A beautiful daughter of the King. I wasn't one of her closest friends, but the interactions I did have with her showed me how much she honored God in her life. And I think that is the most important.

Jared Agee - December 26, 2014 at 10:29 PM

AK

“ Audrey Kinzinger purchased the Cup of Roses Bouquet for the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.



Audrey Kinzinger - December 26, 2014 at 12:39 PM

JM

“ Alice Ann, Alan, and family,
My deepest sympathy for your loss...our loss !

*The righteous perish, and no man layeth it to heart; and merciful
men are taken away, none considering that the righteous are taken
away from the evil to come.*

*He entereth into peace; they rest in their beds, each one that
walketh in his uprightness.*

Isaiah 57: 1-2

cousin John

John Mitchell - December 23, 2014 at 07:16 PM

JM

“ John Mitchell purchased the Beautiful in Blue for
the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.



John Mitchell - December 23, 2014 at 06:39 PM



“ Holiday Homecoming Basket was purchased for
the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.



December 23, 2014 at 04:31 PM

DT

“ *David, Janice & Emily Burgess and Marie Thompson purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.*



David, Janice & Emily Burgess and Marie Thompson -
December 23, 2014 at 03:09 PM

JP

“ *there are no words that can be said during this time. Colby was an amazing, beautiful and talented young women, i am lucky to have known her. She comes from an excellent strong family, i hope they lean on each other during this time.*

Judi

judi perrotti - December 23, 2014 at 02:04 PM

LH

“ Dear Alice and loved ones,
At a time like this there are no words to express the deep sadness and sorrow your family must be going through right now. I am doing the only thing I know how to do at a time like this, kneeling at the cross in prayer for you and your family multiple times a day.

I had the privilege of having Colby as a camper at RCC camp for so many years. She was a kind, thoughtful, and caring young girl who demonstrated grace to everyone around her. I am thankful I had the privilege of knowing your precious Colby.

When the Lord tells us to "pray without ceasing" I take that charge seriously at a time like this. I know it's not much but I hope you know that hundreds are lifting your entire family up in prayer constantly throughout the day as we try to grasp the fact that Colby has left this earth at such a young age. I pray she is dancing at the "Throne of Glory" at the feet of Jesus right now. May it bring your family even a moment of comfort to know she is with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

With sympathy,
Lisa Hall

Lisa Hall - December 23, 2014 at 09:41 AM

SC

“ I believed that Colby was an amazing young woman. I am truly saddened by her sudden death. I am praying for all of you at this very difficult time.

Sharon Cook - December 23, 2014 at 09:34 AM

HE

“ Alice and family,

What does one say when there is nothing that can be said. I am so sorry and you are in our prayers.

Gene Henderson

henderson - December 23, 2014 at 08:52 AM

ER

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the McDaniel family. I did not get a chance to meet Colby that much but I worked in a dorm that she lived in. She always had a smile on her face and her friends found so much joy being around her. This is a great loss and she will be missed by the ACU community. May God's comfort be with you in these moments.*

Emmanuel Rindiro - December 23, 2014 at 12:10 AM

KW

“ I don't quite know how to begin, but as I've thought about how very hard this must be for the family, I decided to share a couple of my favorite memories of Colby with you. Colby was in 3 of my classes and in each one she was a jewel. I knew how hard it was for her to do the things required for my classes, but she was very, very tenacious and never gave up.

Early in the semester, I noticed Colby with a young man, and I told her in jest that she didn't have time for a boyfriend--that they take up too much time! She gave me such an astonished look that I wasn't sure that maybe she thought I really meant it. As the semester went on, she heard me give other students similar "advise" and she understood. However, at the end of the semester, one of the students wrote the following on my board:

"What would we do without Mama?"

a) cry

I left it on the board and soon other students began to add things, making it a multiple choice question. One day, I came in to discover that someone had added:

d) get a boyfriend

I knew immediately that Colby had added that line

On the day of the final exam, she still owed me one more keyboard and would not pass the course unless it was completed successfully. All through that last day she was in the keyboard lab, trying to conquer the task within the given time frame. I worked with her several times, each time giving her tips that would speed up her thinking. A couple of times she was so frustrated that tears came and I knew she wanted to just quit. But she kept after it. When she finally was successful, we were both happy and relieved. She thanked me for not letting her give up and then gave me a hug. I will always treasure that hug, because it was the last time I saw Colby.

Kay (Mama) Williams

Kay Williams - December 22, 2014 at 10:44 PM

JB

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Jim Beeler - December 22, 2014 at 09:23 PM

KF

“ I’m still wrestling with how to handle the passing of Colby. I only knew her for a short time, but this loss still hurts. I can only pray for healing for those much closer to Colby, especially her family. I had the great honor of being Colby’s Peer Leader for Cornerstone at ACU. Her bright smile and snarky charm lifted my spirits from day one. When trying to think of what I should say, I figured what better way to honor Colby than with her own words. I pulled this sentence from her final assignment in Cornerstone:

“It seems like I’m always deeply impacting the people I meet by just being myself.”

Amen. With the little time I had with Colby, I can easily say that she impacted my life. And it’s clear that she impacted so many others with the short life she was given. Thank you, Colby, for being your smart, quirky, loving self. You will be greatly missed, but I’ll rest easy knowing that you’re celebrating with our Father in Heaven.

Kirk Farrell - December 22, 2014 at 06:35 PM

AK

“ No words... We are deeply, profoundly sorry for the unimaginable loss of your precious daughter. We are continually lifting your family up in prayer as you walk this valley. May God's peace and comfort be very real to you in the days to come.

With sympathy,

The Kinzinger Family, IL

(Family of Audrey, Colby's ACU roommate)

Angie Kinzinger - December 22, 2014 at 06:14 PM

PH

“ My heartfelt condolences to your family. I did not know Colby personally--but I am thankful that she was part of the ACU community. Patricia Hernandez

Patricia Hernandez - December 22, 2014 at 03:48 PM

GL

“ Gabriela Lane purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.



Gabriela Lane - December 22, 2014 at 01:16 PM

 Steven Yang

“ Colby was a great friend and a very sweet girl. I am very sorry for your loss. I will mourn here in Connecticut. -Steven Yang

Steven Yang - December 22, 2014 at 12:00 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.*



December 22, 2014 at 10:39 AM



“ *I am very saddened to hear this news. I enjoyed having Colby in Bible class this past semester and saying hello to her as we passed each other on campus--she would be on her way to the Williams Performance Arts Center and I would be making my way to the Bible building. She always struck me as someone who was incredibly gifted. She will be missed.*

Rodney Ashlock

Rodney Ashlock - December 22, 2014 at 09:32 AM



“ *Colby was lovely in every way. My deepest sympathy to the McDaniels, all of whom are wonderful people. I will be lifting you up for comfort and healing that can be found only in the arms of Jesus.*

Marilyn Dardenne - December 22, 2014 at 09:02 AM



“ *I remember meeting Colby in Kayla Gilbert's room next door to me. I didn't know then how after only a few short months she would become someone that made me smile everytime I saw her and I didn't know how much she would mean to me. But throughout this semester we got to know each other and I was very happy to call her my friend. She was such a lovely woman.*

Serena Canales - December 22, 2014 at 04:39 AM

AS

“ Colby was not afraid to say what was on her mind but that is what made her so special. I had the fortune to have been in Colby's cornerstone class and I didn't get close to her but I was very blessed to have met her. She was funny and she always had that warm smile to share with others and I am blessed to have had her as a class mate. I want to give my most deepest and most sincere condolences to her family.

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand"

Isaiah 41:10

Andrea Saenz - December 22, 2014 at 12:33 AM

LA

“ Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to the McDaniels -- from your ACU family - Lynette Austin, faculty member

Lynette Austin - December 21, 2014 at 11:45 PM

SD

Our family is so saddened for Alice, Allen, and Taylor. We all went to Israel a few years ago and enjoyed getting to know each other. Colby was lovely, intelligent, and such a genuine young lady. We know how greatly she will be missed, having lost someone dear also. We DO know she is in such a better place with our Lord and Savior at her side. Sincerely, Sylvia, R.E., and Darby Dodson.

Sylvia Dodson - December 22, 2014 at 11:35 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.



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Debbie Riggs - December 21, 2014 at 11:04 PM



She was lovely.

Debbie Riggs - December 21, 2014 at 11:06 PM



Precious McDaniel family, Only the Lord knows your deepest loss and grief at this moment. Colby impacted for good all those who knew her. She was a lively and sweet soul for Christ. I thank God you have the most wonderful and beautiful memories of her to hold in your hearts always. May the God of sacred peace penetrate all earthly pain and give you comfort.

*Sharron Drury
Family Friend and ACU Trustee*

Sharron Drury - December 22, 2014 at 03:28 AM

KP

My heart is heavy for you all. May God's peace be with you as you grieve and share stories about your precious Colby. May God's Grace and Mercy cover you in this time. Kaye Price-Hawkins, University Council Member

Kaye Price-Hawkins - December 22, 2014 at 09:05 AM



“ *Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Colby Elizabeth McDaniel.*



December 21, 2014 at 10:25 PM