



Codie Eldridge

July 6, 1977 - November 28, 2010

Codie Eldridge, 33, Bismarck, beloved member of her family, loved by Aaron and so dear to her many friends, died of complications from Cystic Fibrosis on November 28, 2010, at a Bismarck hospital. A celebration of her life will be held on Friday, December 3, at 3:30 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Bismarck with Rev. Wes Aardahl officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery. Visitation will take place on Thursday, December 2, from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Eastgate Funeral Service, where a prayer service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will continue on Friday one hour prior to the service at the church. Codie was born on July 6, 1977, in Bismarck, ND, the daughter of Jerry and Candace Klaus Eldridge. She was baptized four days later before surgery which resulted in the diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis. Codie graduated from Bismarck High School and went on to earn her degree in social work from Minot State University. In 2004, Codie was blessed to receive a double lung transplant which allowed her to live life to the fullest. She moved to Wisconsin and worked as a social worker for Columbia County. In 2009, Codie moved back to Bismarck to help care for her niece, Bella, who became the joy of her life. In August, Codie went into rejection and just recently was accepted for another lung transplant. Her health declined quickly and it turned out God had other plans for her. Codie is survived by her parents, Candace and Jerry Eldridge; her brother, Josh Monique Eldridge and their children, McKenzie, Mariah, Lexi, and Brooke; her sister, Courtney and her daughter, Bella; her dedicated and loving boyfriend, Aaron; her uncle, Curt Klaus; her

grandmother, Inez Klaus; and numerous relatives in Nevada. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Leroy Klaus and grandparents, Don and Ida Eldridge. Memorials may be given to the Cystic Fibrosis Association.

Tribute Wall

CB

“ Codie you were by far one of the best people I have ever met. You have helped me so much in my life and went above and beyond what your job requirements were to make sure I was doing well. You really helped me make it through one of the worst years of my life, and gave me hope and strength to keep driving through. Though I wish you were still here with us, I also understand how strongly you may be needed elsewhere. Rest in piece girl, see you on the flip side.

Cassandra Barton - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RY

“ I'll never forget the fun times we had. Rest in peace.

Ryan - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I am so terribly sorry to hear of Codie's passing. I just learned of it today as I was searching for her on the internet and I'm sitting here in tears. You see, if it wasn't for Codie, my husband and I could have lost custody of my dear and precious son 2 years ago. At that time, I was suffering from severe post partum depression/psychosis and she was my lifeline to my son. She was my social worker in Portage and was my champion. She stood by me and was a huge part of what became a turning point for me in my illness. I will never forget her and what she did for me. I am just so very sad that I cannot tell her in person what a gift she gave to me. The Lord used her in a very powerful way. I pray the Lord comforts you with many wonderful memories of her smiling face.

Tracey Monroe - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VK

“ *Very sorry for the loss of Codie,so try to remember the good times. Been a long time since I've seen you. Take Care! Love Verna*

Verna Kreitel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *We were all lucky to have Codie in our lives for just a little bit. She was always optimistic and lived life to the fullest. She was a ray of sun to all those that she met. She will be greatly missed.*

Courtney Woodbury - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *I am so sorry to read of the loss of Codie. I haven't seen her in years but remember her from school. She was such a fun friend. I'm sorry for your loss and extend my arms in comfort and in prayer to your entire family.*

Angela Scholl Plante - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ *It was so long ago, and yet seems like yesterday that she babysat for our daughter and was such a good babysitter and fun person. Never complained and always happy. Sincere sympathies.*

Darlene Ziegler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ What I remeber about Codie and her family is this. Codie was brave everyday of her life because she knew her Mother Candy would never let go of her hand.I know that Codie was strong everyday of her life because she knew that her father Jerry would not only have her back but every corner, dimple, and crease.I know that Codie was beautiful because her little sister Courtney lifted her up on a pedestal so high that none could reach.I know that Codie was respected and respectful everyday of her life because her Big Brother Josh would have never permitted less. I know that on Sunday God took my beautiful cousin and while I understand why he wanted and needs an Angle with her character and strength by his side I wish he had not taken her from your grasp and our future.

Dusty Durkee - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I worked on a benefit with Cody for Kids and our local mentoring program. We put on a spaghetti dinner and Cody helped me waitress. She volunteered for this and was one of a few that really showed up in spirit. I respected her deeply and wish I could have spent more time with her. She was a fun and caring person. The world is missing a very special person today. My deepest sympathy for the family.

Jeanne Fuchs - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ She was and will always be a bright light to the many people she touched...including me. God's peace and comfort to you. My sincerest sympathy and love...

Ruth Kihm - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I remember Cody well. She had an infectious laugh and wonderful sense of humor. We shared a hallway of cubicals. As the nurse for the unit I also understood she was a very sick person. I remember her running in IV antibiotics while working at her cubical. My thoughts and prayers are with her family today- she talked about you guys all the time.

Martha Mercer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Candice was my 5th grade teacher at Rita Murphy Elementary School and I was also honored to be asked to provide childcare for Codie, Josh and Courtney when they were young. Codie would love for me to french braid her hair whenever I would babysit them! I am so very sorry for your loss. May the light of God shine down on your family during this time and forever more. Traci Bjerklie Heck and family.

Traci Bjerklie Heck - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I have fond memories of working with Codie at Dayton's. Her laugh and zest for life were contagious. She was hospitalized on several occasions and always came back with that smile and laugh.

Mary Senger - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Codie had the most amazing and infectious laugh. I will always remember her for her laugh, smile and kind heart. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. I know she is at peace and looking down with a warm smile.

Nancy Sullivan - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I had the honor of working with Codie at Daytons. She would always brighten my day with that beautiful smile. She will be missed. May God Bless.

Karen Holt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ My deepest condolences to Codie's family. What a fun-loving, vivacious person she was - a treasure to anyone who knew her. I will always remember Codie's smile and contagious laugh. You are always in my heart, my dear friend. Love, Nicola

Nicola Peterson Renton - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I never had the honor of meeting Codie in person, however, I have heard so many wonderful things about her and how she made Aaron so happy. He was truly blessed to know her and be a part of her life, as were Aarons immediate family. We were looking forward to them sharing their life together and it seems that the Lord had another plan. We are truly sorry and have Codie, Aaron and thier families in our thoughts and prayers. I am Aaron's aunt.

carol I steffensen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ I just want to say it was an honor to know Codie. She was by far the best babysitter EVER!! She taught me so much as a kid that it will stay with me always. The one memory I do always remember ,whenever I hear people call into the radio, is when she convinced me to call a radio station in Bismarck and request a song. I'm sure when the radio station heard an 8 year old girl call and request Stone Temple Pilots they got a good laugh. Codie and I had a good laugh also. I also thank you all for inviting me and my brother into your home on numerous occasions to play and stay with your family. I give you all my condolences. ~Elizabeth

Elizabeth Rowinski - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Codie is someone that I have remembered from elementary school all the way through high school. She always had a smile on her face. She was full of energy and her laugh would brighten your day. It saddens me to know that she is no longer with us. My condolences to her family and friends.

Gina Gutenkunst Harvey - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you... Codie always had such a great smile and her personality would light up a room-- this is what we will always remember about her... Bless you during this most difficult time...

Erlene and Mel Heupel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Codie was a fighter and a survivor. May she rest in peace. Our condolences to the family.

Gregg & Marcia Hafner - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ our thoughts and prayers go out to at this time. missy and ernie erhardt catherines parents

missy - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Our hearts and prayers go out to you, and your family. Jim & Madeline

Jim & Madeline Halter - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ You all know how much I loved Codie and how important she was to me. I will continue to keep her alive in my heart. I miss her terribly. Until we see each other again my dear friend. I love you!

Ruth Holdaway - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ My deepest sympathy. Codie was always so pleasant and always, always no matter what she was going through had the biggest smile on her face. She will be missed. Rest in peace, Codie.

Carol Aldridge - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ We are so very sorry for your great loss. Tom and Donna Haustveit

Donna Haustveit - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ I am so sorry. I think of a phrase that seems appropriate: 'Joy can break the heart, but who, even on the darkest day, would choose to have missed the joy' this seems appropriate for Cody's family.

virginia Dockter - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Jerry and Candace and family, Please accept our sincere sympathy. Words just don't seem to be adequate at times like this. Codie was a wonderful young lady. Always enjoyed talking to her! Praying that God will wrap you with His comfort.

Linda and Steve Aafedt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Our Thoughts and Prayers go out to Codie's family & friends. We will miss her dearly! Our hearts hurt now, and when the tears subside, her memory, will always bring a smile to our faces. :- We Love You Codie!!!!

Bill & Linda Sincere - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM