



## Kristina Lynn Eckman

July 26, 1977 - May 5, 2017

Kristina Lynn Eckman, 39, of Atlanta, Georgia passed away Friday, May 5, 2017 in Houston, Texas after a courageous battle with cancer. Kristina was born July 26, 1977 to William Donald Miller and Debra Brown Joiner. She is survived by her husband of 12 years, Wade Eckman; mother, Debra Joiner & husband Buel, The Woodlands, TX; father, Bill Miller & wife Cathy, Houston, TX; grandmother, Ellen Brown, The Woodlands, TX; brothers, William Miller, Jr. & wife Angie, Dallas, TX, Andrew Miller & wife Shelley, Dallas, TX, Cpt. Todd Miller, Fort Polk, TX; sisters, Kelsey Miller, Houston, TX, Kayse Huber & husband Donny, Dallas, TX; nieces and nephews, Avery, Addison and Ben Miller; Kaitlyn, Taylor and Devin Huber, Hunter and Margaret Eckman, Brandon and Connor Allgood as well as her beloved lab, Abby.

Kristina was born in Fort Benning, Georgia. She attended Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX where she earned her Bachelor of Arts and Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA where she received her Master of Education. Kristina loved to travel on annual family vacations and the vacations with Wade and with their friends where she enjoyed snow skiing, the beach, the wine country in Napa and Las Vegas. She had a great sense of style and enjoyed shopping with her friends and family. Kristina was a generous, happy, family oriented person with a contagious smile. She was a wonderful wife, loving daughter, dedicated teacher and best friend to many who loved her. She was a bright light in the lives of her family and friends and

will be remembered fondly and greatly missed.

The Eckman, Miller, and Joiner families will be present to receive friends Wednesday, May 10, 2017 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a Vigil Service at 7:00 PM at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 10:30 AM at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 625 Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079. A reception will follow Holy Mass in St. Jude Hall on the church campus.

In lieu of flowers please consider contributions in Kristina's memory to M.D. Anderson Cancer at [www.mdanderson.org/gifts](http://www.mdanderson.org/gifts) and note Breast Cancer Moon Shot in memory of Kristina Eckman.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 10. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home  
14094 Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-2121  
david@dettlingfuneral.com

## Vigil Service

MAY 10. 7:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home  
14094 Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-2121  
david@dettlingfuneral.com

## Funeral Mass

MAY 11. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church  
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail  
Houston, TX 77079

## Reception

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MAY 11. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church  
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail  
Houston, TX 77079

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kristina Lynn Eckman*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Kristina Lynn Eckman*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Kristina Lynn Eckman*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Kristina Lynn Eckman*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *May "the hearer of prayer" continue to strengthen your family during this most difficult time. ( Proverbs 3:5,6) The days ahead will get easier,as those close to you provide the support and encouragement you need to stay strong. Share the memories you cherish they will ease your sorrow and will always be a comfort to you and those who listen. We hope that many cards,hugs,kind words,and loving prayers sustain your family.*

**Desiree Sigler** - May 13, 2017 at 06:56 AM



“ Our heartfelt condolences are extended to your family. Bill and Lee-Anne Distler

Lee-Anne Distler - May 12, 2017 at 11:59 AM



“ With Love, Northway Lane Neighborhood purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



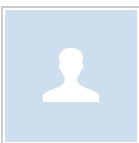
With Love, Northway Lane Neighborhood - May 10, 2017 at 02:30 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



May 10, 2017 at 12:13 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



May 10, 2017 at 12:57 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



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May 09, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ 162 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Detting Funeral Home** - May 09, 2017 at 10:35 AM



Taylor  
Duncan

*I know this is way late but mrs. Eckman was my daughters 1st grade teacher at keheley elementary back in the day and it is so sad to hear that she passed but I'm sure shes flying high and beautiful and watching over all the children that needed her the most we will forever remeber you and we always wondered why we never saw you again I'm sorry your battle was so hard and you will forever be a wonderful teacher in our eyes thank you for all you taught our babies I'm sorry to the family for the loss*

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**Taylor Duncan** - December 10, 2019 at 10:02 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.*



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May 09, 2017 at 10:21 AM



“ *Kristina was one of our daughter, Emily's, best friends since college. She was a lovely, wonderfully witty, and direct-speaking spark and we always enjoyed her company. Kristina is in pain no more as she rests in heavenly arms. As parents who have lost a child, our hearts go out to Wade, but we can feel the pain of her parents. Prayers and condolences to all of you as you walk this path!*

*John and Jeanie Anderson*

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**Jeanie Anderson** - May 09, 2017 at 08:46 AM



“ *I loved working with Kristina. She had a calling to teach children. Her calming presence and firm love were reflected in her students' behavior and their desire to please her. Every student who was fortunate enough to be placed in her classroom has been blessed with her love and influence. I loved her sharp wit and easy smile. I know that she has found eternal peace. I pray that her family finds strength and peace in God's promise for all of us.*

*Lynn Dye*

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**Lynn Dye** - May 09, 2017 at 07:03 AM

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“ I loved working with Kristina and talking with Kristina. She was beautiful inside and out. She was full of life and always wanted to live it. I know she is already living a heavenly life, but I sure do miss her.

*Lois Collier*

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**Lois Collier** - May 08, 2017 at 11:38 PM

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“ Peter & Cheryl Sandoval and Aimee Gros purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



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**Peter & Cheryl Sandoval and Aimee Gros** - May 08, 2017 at 10:45 PM

KF

“ Kristina was a kindergarten teacher when I worked at Keheley. She was caring, sweet and a wonderfully enthusiastic educator. She will be greatly missed.

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**Keila Frederick** - May 08, 2017 at 06:30 PM

DE

“ Having Kristina as my daughter-in-law has been one of my greatest blessings. I am so thankful for the years that she was an important part of my family and for all the love and happiness she brought to my sons life. Rest in peace my precious Kristina, until we meet again one day.

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**Darlene Eckman** - May 08, 2017 at 05:54 PM



“ Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



May 08, 2017 at 03:07 PM



“ Bob Sneed and your friends at EFS/ WEX purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



**Bob Sneed and your friends at EFS/ WEX** - May 08, 2017 at 01:37 PM



“ Kristina was an amazing friend and a little sister I never had. We had so much fun teaching together. She was my rock through surgery and treatments. I will miss her smile, talks and many laughs we shared together. My family will forever love you, Kristina!  
Love, Laura

**Laura Lindsey** - May 08, 2017 at 01:17 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



May 08, 2017 at 01:04 PM

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“ From Justin and Jake Roach purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



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From Justin and Jake Roach - May 08, 2017 at 11:19 AM

 Tina Yelken

“ Kristina was a teammate of mine when she "moved up" from being a kindergarten teacher to a first grade teacher at Keheley Elementary. She decided to paint her classroom a grape colored purple. She just chuckled about "how purple" it was. When she was getting her masters degree, she brought back a lot of great ideas for teaching the students. Kristina was a very high energy person and her students and friends were fortunate to have her in their midst. She will be missed.  
Tina Yelken

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Tina Yelken - May 08, 2017 at 09:39 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.



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May 08, 2017 at 09:33 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.*



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May 07, 2017 at 09:09 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.*



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May 07, 2017 at 07:23 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kristina Lynn Eckman.*



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May 07, 2017 at 03:11 PM