



Jodi Jones Knauf

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Jodi Jones Knauf, 60, of Belleair, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

She went peacefully in the care of hospice with friends and family at her side.

Jodi was full of life with an unbreakable spirit, and she made an impact on everyone who met her. She loved swimming, working in her yard, and Gator football!

Jodi graduated from Columbia High School in Lake City, Florida, then received her bachelor's in health science from the University of Florida. She worked as an occupational therapist and certified hand therapist for over 12 years, then went back to UF and became a Physician Assistant and worked as a PA for 16 years. She is a proud member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

She is survived by her husband, Bert; daughter, Rachel, her pride and joy; parents, Doris and Glenn Jones of Lake City, FL; brother, Glenn Jones, Jr.; sister, Julie Jones, and her three nephews.

A celebration of her life will be held 4 PM Sunday, May 3rd at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Largo, FL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Honduras missions:

Gifts may be sent to the Eye Clinic in Honduras (CCSHH) that Bert & Rachel have been traveling to and performing corneal transplant surgeries.

The check should be written to Church of the Palms and indicate on the memo line, CCSHH Eye Clinic

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AP

Amy Pfaff posted:

What a nice woman- You could just feel her good vibes. Thinking of Dr Knauf and Rachel.
Sincerely Amy Pfaff

May 27 at 11:11 AM

ML

Melissa Brand'I lit a candle in honor of Jodi.

I will miss you at the River Jodi... You were part of the reason I bought my property there.. You welcomed me into your home always:) xo

May 3 at 10:01 AM



Norine Speaks lit a candle in honor of Jodi.

I knew Jodi as a patient and friend in our dental practice of her dear friend, Dr. Oscar Menendez. What is most outstanding in my mind about her was she was always smiling and such a devoted mother. Our world is definitely a better place since she was in it. She will always be missed but she will always be loved. May God bless all of your family and friends.

May 2 at 10:56 AM



JC

Janice Cobb sent a Your Light Shines to the Knauf family.

April 30 at 1:54 PM



LP

Leslie Priede posted:

I only had the pleasure of knowing Jodi for a year, but her infectious spirit and smile were contagious. I know she is reveling in the joy of heaven, pain free and at peace. My deepest sympathies to her husband, daughter, parents, and siblings. Her light will shine to all who knew and loved her.

April 30 at 12:58 PM



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DB

Drs. Kaplan, Root, Hale And Berg sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Knauf family.

April 29 at 2:05 PM



TK

The Klugs lit a candle in honor of Jodi.

April 29 at 12:49 PM



AB

Amy Bryan posted:

Jodi was in my first core group at Community Bible Study. She always had a smile on her face and an encouraging word to say. Jodi loved the Lord and her body is restored now in heaven. I pray that God will surround her family with His peace and comfort in the days ahead. He will never leave you nor forsake you. Amy Bryan

April 29 at 8:16 AM

VB

Valerie Burch lit a candle in honor of Jodi.

April 28 at 5:32 PM



CH

Cheryl posted:

My sympathies to Jodi's family, I am so sorry for your loss and wanted to express my condolences. One can never be prepared for the empty void that's left when our loved ones die, our heavenly father promises to give you the strength to live each day and he says "I have heard your prayers, I have seen your tears, I will heal you - 2 Kings 20:5. May your cherish memories of Jodi and her beautiful legacy she has left her family be a healing force of strength to draw on during the difficult days ahead. With deepest sympathy I share your sorrow,

April 28 at 11:24 AM



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TB

Tina Roberts Bryan lit a candle in honor of Jodi.

April 26 at 6:12 PM



LF

Lou F. sent a sympathy card to the Knauf family.

April 26 at 5:48 PM



RB

Rev. Dr. Dawn Steele Bain posted:

Jodi was ahead of me in school by two years...but you couldn't help but notice her! She smiled A LOT! She was always kind and bubbly. Reconnecting with her through friends on Facebook was delightful. Little do we know what Light we shine through our testimony. Her "test" of cancer- is a huge part of her testimony of how to live your life through adversity. Can you just imagine the rejoicing in heaven now? I am a die-hard Seminole Fan but in memory of Jodi - I will cheer for those Gators this year! She changed lives with her service. She touched Hearts with her kindness. She changed souls with her Love of God by being a living testimony of her faith. Blessings to all who knew her well, and may you find comfort in knowing you WILL see those incredible dimples and smile once more- on the side of Heaven. Giant Love and Sympathy, Rev. Dr. Dawn Steele Bain- Rancho Mirage, CA.

April 26 at 5:34 PM



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RL

Rhonda J. Moore-Lott posted:

This is probably my first memory of Jodi. It was back when my twin sister and I were swimming at the Young's Park pool, in Lake City. Jodi's younger sister, Julie, was upset because she couldn't find Jodi and wanted to go home. Rhoda and I asked her where she lived and she just lived across from the park. So, Rhoda and I walked her home and her mother was so happy to see Julie and that we had walked her home from the pool, so she wasn't alone. I remember when Jodi found out we had walked her home, she thanked us for doing it and was so appreciative and found out we went to school together and we were the first twins she ever knew. I went to Junior High and High School with Jodi and she was such a happy, positive, kind person, having a fantastic smile and she could talk to anyone she met. I always enjoyed bumping into her and talking, because it made my day so positive. She was a special friend to me and I know everyone she came across. Now, she is in the arms of her Lord and whole again and probably in that cheerleading outfit cheering for the Columbia High Tigers and the Florida Gators! I send prayers to her daughter Rachel, her husband Bert, her mom and dad, her brother and sister; and all her other family and friends to help guide you in this difficult time. God Bless you all! Love, Rhonda J. Moore-Lott (One of the Moore Twins)

April 26 at 4:43 PM

BS

Beverly Santo posted:

So sad to hear about Jodi. She was an amazing and courageous lady. She was very proud of you, Rachel, and I know she will be cheering you on from above as you complete your studies. Know that we, at Christ Church are praying for strength and comfort as your family travels through this difficult time.

April 26 at 9:44 AM

BS

Beverly Santo lit a candle in honor of Jodi.



April 26 at 9:35 AM



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KS

Kathy Sessions posted:

Jodi Knauf was a warrior! She fought her disease and remained positive through all of the difficult times. Her daughter was a student at Shorecrest Preparatory school and I knew Jodi because she was a very caring and supportive mother. Her amazing spirit was visible from the first moment I met her. I know she was hoping to watch Rachel walk across the stage at her high school graduation and am so happy that she was able to do that and then some. She will be missed but never forgotten! May she rest in peace. Kathy Sessions, Dean of Students at Shorecrest Preparatory School

April 26 at 6:34 AM

FK

Freda Morris Kramer posted:

I went to school with Jodi in Lake City. Jodi was a sweet, compassionate girl. I am sorry to say that we lost touch after high school, but I am glad to know that her passion for life in Christ and helping others grew. I am praying for the comfort of her family during this time, but I know that Jodi is in the arms of her precious Lord.

April 25 at 1:50 PM

SC

Sherry Butcher Carter lit a candle in honor of Jodi.

My condolences to Jodi's family. We went to school together and graduated together. She was an awesome and sweet person. She will greatly be missed but we will see each other again one day.



April 25 at 1:21 PM

TP

Terry Lynn Perry posted:

I went to High school with Jodi, she was always so bubbly and had a ten million megawatt smile that lit up a room instantly. It is hard to believe beautiful sprite is gone. My deepest sympathies to her wonderful family. Rest peacefully finally Jodi.

April 25 at 10:49 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jodi by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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