



## Tracee Louise Smith

June 2, 1980 - August 16, 2023

### TRACEE LOUISE SMITH

1980 – 2023

Tracee Louise Smith of Union, NE was a devoted mother, daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, niece, and friend. She passed away after a courageous battle with lung cancer on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at the age of 43 in the arms of her mother, Cathy, almost three years after her initial cancer diagnosis.

She was born to Catherine “Cathy” Marie (Gochenour) Smith on June 2, 1980 in Papillion, NE. When Tracee was 8 years old her father Jerome “Jerry” Smith married Cathy and adopted Tracee. The three of them lived on a farm outside of Union, NE and about a year later, Tracee became a big sister to a baby boy named Nicholas Jerome Smith. As the years went on she became the older sister to a baby girl named Jennifer Diana Smith and not long after another baby girl named Emilee Catherine Smith.

Tracee attended Saint Johns School in Plattsmouth, NE until she was in the 2nd grade where she then attended Lourdes Central Catholic in Nebraska City, NE. Tracee graduated from Lourdes Central Catholic in 1998. After graduating, Tracee lived in Nebraska City when she married Troy D. Lamkins on December 23, 1999. Tracee became the step mother to a little boy named Kayleb Joseph Lamkins. Tracee and Troy were blessed with their first child together, Tory Danielle Lamkins on June 27, 2000. Two years later, they welcomed a son, Trey Michael James Lamkins on October 10, 2002. This union between Tracee and Troy ended in divorce but in recent years they

were able to be friends once again.

As a single mother, Tracee moved herself and her two children to Weeping Water, NE. There these three were blessed by an amazing community filled with lifelong friends. Tracee's grandmother, Glenda Lee Fisher also lived in Weeping Water at the time. Over the years, Tracee worked as a certified nurse's assistant (CNA) at the Hillcrest nursing home and eventually, the Louisville Care Center. She also spent many years working for multiple local businesses in the area. While living in Weeping Water, Tracee met Dustin Hauschild and on August 13, 2009, they were blessed with a baby girl named Trystin Lee Hauschild.

Over the next few years Tracee would move her family to Avoca, NE and eventually in the summer of 2013 she moved back to the family farm outside of Union, NE. While just having moved, Tracee decided to send her two oldest kids to her alma mater, Lourdes Central Catholic. Both kids feeling very blessed to have attended their mothers former school decided to transfer back to Weeping Water Public School. On May 29, 2014, the family grew when Tracee gave birth to a baby boy, Trevyn John Patrick Hauschild.

On September 24, 2020 Tracee was diagnosed with Stage 4 Lung Cancer. This became the start of Tracee's biggest battle. The battle of her life, faith and love for her kids. By the grace of God, Tracee fought the depths of cancer for nearly 3 years all the way up until the end...

She is survived by her four children, daughter: Tory D. Lamkins (23), son: Trey M. J. Lamkins (20), daughter: Trystin L. Hauschild (14), and son: Trevyn J. P. Hauschild (9); former step-son: Kayleb J. Lamkins of Lincoln, NE; parents: Jerry and Cathy Smith of Union, NE; birth father: Rusty (Lisa) Hunter of Lake Zurich, IL; siblings: Nick (Amanda) Smith of Nebraska City, NE, Jennee (James II) Minturn of Omaha, NE, and Emilee (Greg) Schlickau of Pratt, KS; great aunt: Rose Marie Ficklin (Gochenour) of Plattsmouth, NE; four nephews: Paxton Olson, Ashton Smith, James Minturn III, and Levi Schlickau; four nieces: Alex Meyer, Taylor Meyer, Madison Meyer, and Ellee Louise Schlickau; and many more nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, and

friends.

Tracee was preceded in death by her grandparents: Glenda L. Fisher, and Willard J. Gochenour, Cecil J. and Mary M. Klein, and Richard and Pat Hunter, two uncles: Patrick A. Foyt and Raymond Benck, her two aunts: Tammy Kaczmarek and Anne Louise Benck, and two cousins: Taneigha Glasgow and Jerry Jason Ficklin.

A Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:30 P.M. with visitations from 3:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M., on Friday, August 18, 2023 at the Church of the Holy Spirit in Plattsmouth.

A Rosary will be held at 6:30 P.M., on Friday, August 18, 2023 at Church of the Holy Spirit in Plattsmouth.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 A.M., on Saturday, August 19, 2023 at the Church of the Holy Spirit with Father Tony Bedient and Father Mark Pfeiffer co-officiating, Nick Halmes and Thomas Wigington as acolytes, Ryan Ebmeier as lector, Terry Little as vocalist, and Laurie Hajek-Jones as organist. Her Final Resting Place will be at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Plattsmouth.

A Celebration of Life and Luncheon will be held at the Cass County Fairgrounds in Weeping Water, NE following the burial around 12:00 P.M.

The family suggests Memorials to Lourdes Central Catholic High School or the Franciscan Sisters both of Nebraska City, NE.

Services are entrusted to Roby Funeral Home, 346 Avenue A, Plattsmouth, NE 68048 (402) 296-3123 [robymfuneralhome@charter.net](mailto:robymfuneralhome@charter.net) [www.robymfuneralhome.com](http://www.robymfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Ridge Cemetery

1808 Horning Rd.  
Plattsmouth, NE 68048

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 18. 3:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Church of The Holy Spirit  
520 South 18th St  
Plattsmouth, NE 68048

## Divine Mercy Chaplet

AUG 18. 3:30 PM (CT)

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## Memorial Mass

AUG 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

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520 South 18th St  
Plattsmouth, NE 68048

## Celebration of Life and Luncheon

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AUG **19**. 12:00 PM.

Cass County Fairgrounds  
Weeping Water, NE

# Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Trey - February 14, 2024 at 02:52 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Trey - February 14, 2024 at 02:51 PM



“ Tracee Louise Smith

October 09, 2023 at 12:23 PM

EO

“ I am heartbroken to hear this news, Tracee was a bright light to all who knew her.

Ed OBryan - September 04, 2023 at 11:26 AM

SB

“ Cathy and family; we are so very saddened to hear of Tracee's passing. Our hearts go out to all of you as well as our prayers and thoughts. She was such a joy and friend to our son Chris when they were in grade school together. Such a ray of sunshine to so many. God Bless and keep you all wrapped in His Love as you go forward after such a heartbreaking loss. Sincerely, Steve and Susie Bridger Family

steve bridger - August 24, 2023 at 01:36 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



August 19, 2023 at 07:46 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



August 19, 2023 at 07:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tracee Louise Smith.

August 18, 2023 at 11:07 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



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August 18, 2023 at 12:30 AM



“ *A sympathy card* was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



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August 17, 2023 at 11:15 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.

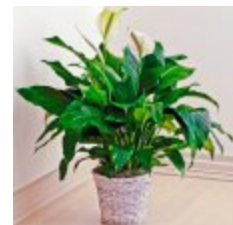


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August 17, 2023 at 10:00 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy* was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



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August 17, 2023 at 08:46 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.*



August 17, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tracee Louise Smith.

August 17, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *Sending so Many prayers of peace, faith and love. Tracee will always hold a special place in my heart, bonds are created at a young age and our souls never forget that connection . I know my mom, my sister and my grandma will give her all their love in heaven, grandpa too. Love you TraceeLou❤️*

**Torri Dawn** - August 17, 2023 at 02:40 PM



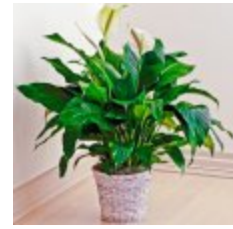
“ *Healing Tears - Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.*



August 17, 2023 at 02:24 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



August 17, 2023 at 02:11 PM



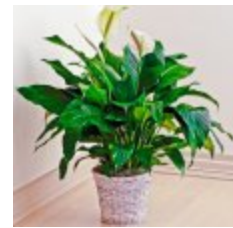
“ She is with the Father and in no pain. Sending prayers to her family during this trying time and may she rest peacefully 🌹🕊️  
✝️



**Dolores** - August 17, 2023 at 01:34 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Tracee Louise Smith.



August 17, 2023 at 01:26 PM



“ All of you have been in our prayers in recent months and especially lately. We loved having Tracee as our daughter Chessa's friend in grade school. Tracee was never without a smile and contagious happiness. May God give you strength and blessings.  
Tim & Mary Lynn Hall

**Mary Hall** - August 17, 2023 at 11:41 AM

KA

“ *Kacie Aufenkamp lit a candle in memory of Tracee Louise Smith*



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**Kacie Aufenkamp** - August 17, 2023 at 11:19 AM

VM

“ *Vicki Moses lit a candle in memory of Tracee Louise Smith*



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**Vicki Moses** - August 17, 2023 at 08:23 AM