



## Christine Lynn Harnden

December 20, 1974 - July 8, 2019

Christine Lynn Harnden, age 44, of Albia, passed away on Monday, July 8, 2019, at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa, surrounded by her loving family.

Christine was born on December 20, 1974, in Burlington, Iowa to Walter and Linda (Mondorf) Harnden. She grew up and attended school in Danville, IA, until her family moved to Albia when she was in the 8th grade. She graduated from the Albia High School with the Class of 1994. She then attended college at Indian Hills Community College, obtaining a certificate in child development in 1995.

Christine has worked at the Albia Head Start since 1995. She loved her job there and recently obtained her certificate to be a teacher's assistant. Christine was truly gifted in relating to children and was loved by all the children whose lives she touched, as well as by her coworkers.

Christine enjoyed Nascar racing and was a Jeff Gordon fan. She enjoyed being outdoors, camping, and watching movies. She liked watching the Iowa Hawkeyes and the Chicago Bears as well as attending Albia sporting events. She loved music and was a Michael Jackson and Backstreet Boys fanatic. Christine loved spending time with her family and friends, especially her nieces and nephews. She was a dedicated aunt who loved attending all of

their activities. Christine was a dependable, caring, loving, funny, trustworthy, and very kind person who was always willing to help anyone who needed it and who will be missed by many.

Christine is survived by her parents, Walter and Linda Harnden; 3 siblings, Tammy Harnden, Michelle (Robert) Parks, and Wayne (Robbie) Harnden; and her nieces and nephews, Rebecca, Nathan, Colton, and Avery. She is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and good friends.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents, Ted and Alice Harnden, Wayne Mondorf, and Delores Mondorf; aunts and uncles, Tommy Harnden, Mary Parcel, Lucille Sleeth, Chester Harnden, Elmer Harnden, and Erma Conner; and several cousins.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, July 14, 2019, from 2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Christine's family present to greet family and friends from 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., on Monday, July 15, 2019, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia with Pastor Brad Gray officiating. Burial will follow services at Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

A memorial has been established to the family.

# Cemetery Details

**Oak View Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JUL 14.** 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

### Funeral Service

**JUL 15.** 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Christine Lynn Harnden*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Christine Lynn Harnden*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christine Lynn Harnden.*



July 12, 2019 at 04:35 PM



“ *The best way to sum up her passing is that everyone who knew Christine, including the families who's children she influenced have lost an amazing presence in life but have gained an angel. Christine was one of the kindest, most genuine people I have ever met. Hugs and prayers to Christine's family and friends!*

**Deeanna Smith** - July 11, 2019 at 03:05 PM

JA

“ My condolences to Christine's family. May she RIP.



Janice Allison - July 11, 2019 at 01:47 PM

LW

“ I was shocked and heartbroken to hear of Christine's passing. I worked with Christine at Albia Head Start as a sub. She was such a nice person to work with. She loved the children like they were her own, and they LOVED HER! She will be missed by many at Head Start and in the community. Love and prayers, Loita Williams

loita williams - July 10, 2019 at 07:47 PM

DC

“ One time when all the family went to Adventureland all of the family wanted to go on a ride and Colton and my daughter Katie needed someone to do take them on a ride so Christine and I took them on a frog hopper well the lady who was running the frog hopper said that they were a couple inches too short and that we needed to get on with them if they wanted to ride the frog hopper well Christine said I'll get on if you get on so we did and as we got on the ride was going Christine looks over at me and says I hope my family doesn't see me on this especially Robert he will never let me live it down that is one of my favorit memories with Christine on our adventure at Adventureland with all our families

Dawn Courtney - July 10, 2019 at 04:17 PM

RM

“ CHRISTINE RODE MY HEADSTART BUS AS AN AIDE SHE WAS A SWEET AND A CARING PERSON ON THE BUS AND OFF THE BUS SHE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL REST IN PEACE CHRISTINE.

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**Roy miller** - July 10, 2019 at 03:57 PM

LK

“ Christine was always so good with my grandkids when they were at headstart. She will be so missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

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**Lori Kipfer** - July 10, 2019 at 03:46 PM

RW

Christine always had a smile every time I saw her such a pleasant young lady

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**Rick Worth** - July 10, 2019 at 06:52 PM

DL

“ When I worked with Christine at headstart, she always did crafts with the kids. Christine loved GLITTER on any and every thing. I gave her 2 big bottles of glitter to use with the kids. She had this impish grin on her face as she warned me that it would proyget tracked into my kitchen and be on the floor . She was right, it was and that was fine. She enjoyed it as much if not more than the kids! Golden streets in heaven just have to have some glitter as well. RIP my friend.

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**Doris Little** - July 10, 2019 at 03:12 PM



“ Jeff Grim lit a candle in memory of Christine Lynn Harnden



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**Jeff Grim** - July 10, 2019 at 02:47 PM



Dacia Gutcher

“ Christine was an amazing co-worker. She always went above and beyond to help children, families, and staff. My favorite memories will always be our traditions of having her sit in Santa's lap at Christmas holding a sign that said, "Santa please send me a boyfriend;" and putting seeing who could get each other first with frosting on the face during our preschool graduations. Our building will never be the same without Chris. We love you and miss you terribly! Fly high Christine! Until we meet again...

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**Dacia Gutcher** - July 10, 2019 at 02:23 PM