



Ms. Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek

August 1, 1991 - January 3, 2021

Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek, 29, of Columbia, SC, died suddenly and unexpectedly at her parents' home. She was born on August 1, 1991, in Memphis, Tennessee. Anne-Marie attended the University of South Carolina and graduated from Midlands Technical College as an RN, number one in her class. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Anne-Marie was extremely loyal and her loving, compassionate heart led her to take challenging nursing jobs. She worked in oncology with terminally ill patients. Her current position, in the midst of COVID 19, was with ill inmates at a high security prison in Columbia.

Anne-Marie was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Edison Guy Cheek Sr. and Marie Montgomery Cheek; and her maternal grandparents, Guy Keith Sherman and Mary Dorr Sherman. Left to cherish her memory are her parents, Edison Guy "Ed" Cheek Jr. and Nancy Sherman Cheek, as well as many relatives and an adorable cockapoo named Emmie. We, her parents, had the privilege of walking with her through life, all the way to Heaven's door.

Good night, Beautiful Princess, Anne-Marie. See you in the morning.

"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning."

A memorial service for Anne-Marie will be held at a later date. Shives Funeral Home, Trenholm Road Chapel, is assisting the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 1324 Marion Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

Comments



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek.



January 20 at 04:39 PM



“ Dear Ed and Nancy,
Our hearts are grieving for you with the sudden passing of Anne-Marie. We treasure the time she came to visit Seattle while you were both here. She had such a delightful, sweet, caring, and dignified manner (just like her grandmother). We were blessed by the brief time she was here, and we continue to be blessed by the years of friendship we have had with you. Our hearts are with you through the pain of this loss.
With much Love and Care,
Paul and Sandy Hewett

Paul and Sandy Hewett - January 20 at 04:19 PM



“ Anne-Marie babysat for our 3 kids one time, years ago, when we were back on furlough. Otherwise, we did not know her well, especially as an adult. But she sounds wonderful. We really missed out. I cannot imagine your pain at such a loss. Please know, Ed and Nancy, that we are so so sorry, and we are praying for you with love and sympathy.

Victoria Andes - January 17 at 04:38 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek.



January 13 at 10:01 PM



“ Ed & Nancy, reading what has been written makes it so very clear that I am much the poorer for not having known Anne-Marie. Your loss has to be unimaginable. May the Comforter carry you forward step by step until that grand day when we shall be together with our loved ones in the Lord forever.
Through His love,
Jerry Wells

Jerome C Wells - January 13 at 09:55 PM



“ Anne Marie was a great person, this is a terrible loss for the world. Is there going to be a service?

-Trey Boiter

Trey Boiter - January 13 at 06:43 PM



“ Ed and Nancy, reading the many tributes to Anne-Marie's character, compassion and vivacity are such eloquent testimony to the nurturing love you poured into her heart. We grieve so very deeply with you. We have no words--only our love, our prayers, and the shared heartache that Anne-Marie has been parted from you to walk with the Lord Jesus whose love exceeds all we can imagine. May His love be your anchor that holds firm within the veil in this "high and stormy gale". Ed, without you I would not have come to know the Lord, and I wish I could sit and weep with you.

In His love,
Jim and Jenny

Jim Adams - January 12 at 09:33 PM



“ Love to both of you. Your lives and amazing service to our Lord has been an inspiration to so many. Little Jay and I came to visit you and Anne Marie all those years ago and saw the excitement, love and happiness for this motherhood journey with precious daughter. This great loss seems unbelievable to us. Anne Marie was so sweet, charming and delightful every time I saw her. Please call anytime. You and Ed always have a place to stay in Memphis. Love and prayers, Kathy Gardner

kathy Gardner - January 14 at 09:33 AM



“ Ed and Nancy, Bob is not on Facebook so he doesn't know about this. I can say I know something about what you are going through. It is still hard to think of the world without Lizzie in it. Your daughter is so beautiful and has a beautiful light in her eyes. You know exactly where she is but it is still so hard. I am so, so, so sorry for your enormous loss.

Love, Bob and Mary McCord

Mary McCord - January 11 at 09:08 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. We lost our daughter 12/18/19. I know in my head she is with God but my heart wasn't ready for her to go. Love Nancy Moore Umfress

Nancy Moore Umfress - January 11 at 09:31 PM



“ Ed and Nancy,

Please know, that our hearts are grieving with yours at this time of tremendous loss. But also know that we are remembering, with great affection, the blessing that Ann-Marie has been to all of us. And we are remembering the consoling promises of our Lord that we will see each other again and rejoice together on that blessed shore in the fullest measure unimaginable.

- Steve & Marji Pulliam

Steve Pulliam - January 10 at 08:27 PM



“ Our family has many sweet memories of Anne-Marie growing up—scooting across the floor as an infant, enjoying happy play dates and picnics and tea parties as a little girl, and later sharing in special birthday events. It was a joy to see her grow into such a beautiful, kind-hearted young woman. Your loss is beyond words. May the Lord enfold you in His tenderest loving care, Ed and Nancy. We love you.
In His hope,
Ann and Daniel

Ann Janosik - January 10 at 03:07 PM



“ Anne-Marie was a precious and bright child. I had the privilege to know her when she was just in a stroller and a toddler. I remember her bright eyes and the way she and her parents communicated lovingly. I specifically remember how her mom (one of my bosses at the time) took the time to explain in detailed language the beauty they saw together. As her mother pushed Anne-Marie in stroller on a sunny day from her office to their home, nothing escaped their view or comment: people passing, flowers blooming, clouds rolling. It was as if her mom were giving a soliloquy. Little Anne-Marie would listen attentively and look up gazing interchangeably between her mother and whatever beauty of which she spoke. Anne-Marie's eyes, bright and full of wonder. Their relationship was a beautiful thing to behold.

These interactions between her mom Nancy and Anne-Marie greatly influenced me in the way I spoke to my own children when they were little. What a difference it made in their acquisition of language and love of communicating. For this I am forever grateful to Anne-Marie and her mom.

Love,

Catherine Boggs Hoecke

Former TEFL Instructor under Dr. Cheek

Catherine Boggs Hoecke - January 09 at 02:13 PM



“ Bruce and Caroline Adams purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ms. Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek.



Bruce and Caroline Adams - January 09 at 11:27 AM



“ I am heartbroken, she has always been supportive of my dreams to be a nurse. On the oncology floor, she was willing to teach and encourage me to do my best! She came to my graduation to show how proud of she was of me... and said I would be a wonderful nurse! She has such a big heart! We also showed a love for Kylie cosmetics and fashion! ☐



Christine Ferreyra - January 09 at 09:50 AM



“ Please let me know if I can provide support in any way. I can give a letter to the family of my personal experiences with my friend.

Christine - January 09 at 10:02 AM



“ We still have the Christmas card picture of "We three Cheeks" on our refrigerator. I have such happy memories of seeing the family together in Columbia. It was a privilege to have them come out to Phoenix about this time last year. Precious memories. Treasure your loved ones while you can. All the time, God is good.

Anders and Michelle Lundin - January 08 at 11:58 PM



“ To hear the prayers of her father week by week, It was so clear that Anna Marie was deeply loved and wisely counseled through the triumphs and challenges of her precious life by both her parents. Scarcely a conversation was absent of the updates or stories about her. As God lovingly received Anna Marie into His presence, may He likewise comfort and hold those aching to have had her ushered from their presence, hopes, and loving arms. We love you Ed and Nancy. In Christ... forever!
Patrick and Robin Dye

Patrick Dye - January 08 at 07:17 PM



“ Anne-Marie was such a fun, loving, loyal friend. We shared so many wonderful times together that I will cherish forever. She, Caroline Hawkey, and I took a trip to Chattanooga last year and got matching piercings- I am so glad I have something I can always remember her by.

Babs Ball - January 08 at 05:29 PM



“ Dann and Kim purchased the Ghirardelli Gift Basket for the family of Ms. Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek.



Dann and Kim - January 08 at 02:15 PM



“ Anne Marie, from the moment your Mom discovered the blessing that God was sending to her, your Dad, your adoring grandparents (your Grandmother had already named you), and to me to love as Aunt Donna, you brought joy and love to all whose lives you touched! Thank you for being you and the happiness that you brought into all whose life that you touched! We have been promised to see each another again! I love you!

Donna Wilson McLarty - January 08 at 12:20 PM



“ To the Cheek Family, We here at Kirkland Human Resources would like to send our condolences to you. We only knew Ms. Cheek from the visits in our office. She was a very kind and pleasant person to know. We here at Kirkland are deeply saddened by your loss. Please reach out if you need anything.



Kaylee Martin - HR Manager - January 08 at 11:06 AM



“ Anne-Marie was my best friend. We met while working at Palmetto on the Oncology floor in 2017. She was one of the most funny, kind, energetic, and loving person I have ever been lucky enough to meet. Her friendship meant the world to me and she will be deeply missed every day. My prayers are with her family during this difficult time. I love you, Anne-Marie. I can't wait until we meet again!

Lindsay D. - January 08 at 12:07 AM



“ I worked with Cheeks and she was highly respected at work. She cared for the inmates of SCDC with compassion and pride in what she did. We were all saddened when we heard of the passing of such a wonderful, full of life lady. She will be greatly missed.

E. Simmons - January 07 at 09:11 PM



“ I never met Anne Marie but I know her father from walking around the neighborhood and I want her parents to know that I'm so sorry for your loss and I will keep you and Anne Marie in my prayers

Mickey Ghosheh

Mickey Ghosheh - January 07 at 08:17 PM



“ Nancy and Ed, it was always such a pleasure to see Anne-Marie poke her head into our office for a visit with Mom. She talked so easily with us. Hold on to the memories.
Love, Lynne

Lynne C Voit - January 07 at 02:01 PM



“ Debbie C Lever lit a candle in memory of Ms. Anne-Marie Montgomery Cheek



Debbie C Lever - January 07 at 08:09 AM



“ She was such a sweet girl. Loved by many!

Debbie C Lever - January 07 at 08:10 AM



“ So sad to read this, Nancy and Ed. Such a pretty young woman full of potential. We all need what she offered. Hugs and love, Alexandra and William.

Alexandra Rowe - January 07 at 03:17 PM



“ My heart breaks for you at the loss of your precious daughter. Clearly, God used her to bless others. I am praying for you, hoping cherished memories of her will bless you. May God's love and truth give you peace and comfort in these difficult days. I pray you will sense His nearness to you and be strengthened in His love at this difficult time.

In Christ, Kathy Folks

Kathy Folks - January 08 at 09:23 AM



“ Though I did not know Anne Marie, I am privileged and proud to call her father my longest and dearest friend. My heart aches for Eddie and Nancy, whose love for Anne Marie was unmatched. I know from them that Anne Marie was a loving, caring and giving young woman who made the world around her a better place. She will be dearly missed. Dann Denny

Dann Denny - January 08 at 02:06 PM



“ I do not even know how to say how I feel. Anne Marie was such an amazing person. So smart, beautiful, and an incredible friend. I'm incredibly grateful for the memories with her such as yappy hours, baseball games, picking out my wedding dress, her birthday celebrations, edisto beach trip, and allowing me to stay with her this summer. She was such a valuable friend to me and I really cannot believe she's gone. I looked forward to seeing her every time I was in SC, and I still can't believe that I won't anymore. My thoughts are with her friends and family during this time. And I will never forget her and how amazing she was.

Liz - January 08 at 05:09 PM



“ Shedding tears with you. Ann-Marie's generosity as a young lady prompted her parents to bless our ministry with a van. Her kindness reflected her parents and the Father's kindness. She is in Papa's Kingdom. And we will meet her there.

Scott and Tiffany - January 10 at 08:34 AM



“ We are members of FPC, and we weep with you. We lost our 36 year old son about two and a half years ago, so we know the grief of losing a beloved child. Hold on tightly to our Sovereign God who will never leave us or forsake us.

Rachel and Tim Cullum

Rachel Cullum - January 10 at 06:04 PM



“ I only knew Anne Marie briefly but remember what a sweet young lady she was and her excitement about being a nurse. It is a great loss and I am so very sorry.

Caroline Lamitie - January 14 at 12:56 AM