



## Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan

May 14, 1957 - September 20, 2015

Katherine Elizabeth "Missy" Reagan passed away peacefully Sunday, September 20, 2015, at the age of 58. A lifelong resident of Hartsville, South Carolina, she was the daughter of the late Katherine Tillotson Reagan and the late John Arthur Reagan, Jr. Missy, as she was affectionately called by all who knew her, attended Hartsville schools and was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church. Bursting with personality and with an outgoing nature, she made friends everywhere and often. She loved to swim and spent many summer days at Prestwood Club at the pool or at the snack bar playing games. She participated in the Special Olympics as a swimmer. Missy loved presents and always wanted just one more, especially if cash was involved. She possessed the heart and joy of a child all her life and will be dearly missed.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Betty Hudson Reagan of Spartanburg, and a brother-in-law, Marshall Owen Donley, Jr of Columbia, Maryland; nieces Kelley Palmer Reagan of Charleston, SC, and Susan Reagan Donley of Washington, DC; nephews John Arthur Reagan IV (Mary Ladd) of Spartanburg, SC, and Marshall Owen Donley III (Elizabeth) of Washington, DC; great nieces Margaret Cecilia and Elizabeth Tillotson Donley of Washington, DC and great nephew John Arthur Reagan V of Spartanburg, SC. She was predeceased by her much loved sister and brother, Margaret Reagan Donley of Columbia, MD, and John Arthur Reagan III of Spartanburg,

SC.

A graveside service officiated by the Rev Fran Elrod will be held at 2 o'clock on Saturday, September 26, at Magnolia Cemetery and Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family.

The family would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to the staff of the King and Reagan houses and to the Darlington County Disabilities and Special Needs Board for the care they lovingly provided Missy over the last 22 years.

# Cemetery Details

## Magnolia Cemetery

140 South Cedar Lane  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
(843) 383-3004

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SJ

“ *Sally Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan*



Sally Johnson - September 26, 2015 at 06:29 PM

SJ

*Remembering Missy fondly. My love and prayers for Betty and Missy's family.*

Sally Johnson - September 26, 2015 at 06:30 PM

TM

“ *God Bless you Missy, i loved my visit last year, i am reminded of Missy every day when i hug my daughter - Tom Matthews*



Tom Matthews - September 26, 2015 at 08:36 AM

DB

“ *Dana Stone Brewer lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan*



Dana Stone Brewer - September 24, 2015 at 08:07 PM

DW

“ *Very sorry to hear of her passing. I have long since lost touch with her, but have very vivid memories of her helping the life guards at Prestwood Country Club and making me sit out of the pool for misbehaving.*

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**David Williams** - September 23, 2015 at 03:30 PM

JG

“ *I was Missy's hairdresser for the 15 yrs...up until here recently...How I loved that girl!! I always called her "Missy Poo"... Lol! She loved getting her hair done every wk...& wanted it cut every wk!! Lol! Oh the stories she'd tell me...what a vivid imagination she had!! I'm gonna miss seeing her @ the Regan House...Go have the time of your life w/ Jesus now Missy!! You're free from that earthly body that had you bound! See ya when I get there!! Love ya girlfriend!!*

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**Joanne Galloway** - September 23, 2015 at 01:47 PM

SS

“ *Special Olympics South Carolina, Inc.*



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**Special Olympics SC** - September 23, 2015 at 11:06 AM

CH

“ Missy was one of my dearest friends growing up. She was so delightful, so funny, and she had a fierce loyalty to all of her friends. I remember well her Mickey Spillane period. She loved his books, and would sometimes adopt his persona in such an entertaining and realistic manner, that he would have been complimented had he witnessed it. I will always feel lucky to have known her, and to have been part of her life, as she was part of mine. Many thanks to her family for sharing her with us. They were all a wonderful part of our community, and are all remembered with a smile.

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**Claire Howle** - September 23, 2015 at 09:17 AM

LU

“ Missy always enjoyed her visits to the Hartsville Memorial Library. She would seek me out to assist in her book selection. She was very specific in her interests! Missy was a delightful library patron

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**Liz Segars Uhl** - September 23, 2015 at 08:23 AM

EH

“ Elaine And Ann Hedgepeth lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan



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**Elaine and Ann Hedgepeth** - September 23, 2015 at 07:49 AM

DM

“ My mother, Maria Harvey, and Kat were lifelong friends. My daughters, Hollis and Natalie Wilhelm enjoyed playing with Missy when they saw her at Wesley or the Club. She was such a light in so many lives.. John and I were classmates and he was the best big brother! They are both missed!

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**Dianne Harvey Mitchum** - September 23, 2015 at 05:24 AM

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“ Along with many of the Reagan family friends, I enjoyed helping Margaret with Missy's exercise sessions for years. It was one of my great pleasures to be one of her "Mamas" and have her seek me out in the grocery store when she was shopping with her caregivers. No child ever had a more loving, caring family and friends and she responded with so much of her own affection toward all. Her life was certainly a tribute and response to all the love in it for as long as she lived. Much love and thanks to each of you for all you did for Missy and I know she is happy with John and Kat now.  
*Bobbie Kelley (Mrs. Dick Kelley)*

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**Mrs. Dick Kelley (bobbie)** - September 22, 2015 at 08:01 PM

TB

“ Missy was a very special person to many. Every time I talked with her she would put a smile on my face. Heaven has gained another angel and I am sure she was welcomed with open arms.

*Friends since Kindergarten,*

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**Tonda Jacobs Bunch** - September 22, 2015 at 07:58 PM

AW

“ Rather than being sad, I rejoice that she had by all accounts a longer than normal life (for her condition) that for years was as unrestricted as it could possibly be, thanks largely to God, to her loving parents, to a loving community and thanks to her loving immediate neighbors on her street, Chester Avenue ~ that's where my grandparents lived a long while before retiring to Chester "the city in SC" - she was always around me there at my grandparent's home (showing up ~ my grandmother loved her and Mrs Reagan) and I also saw her a ton at Prestwood Country Club when I was a kid - her family was a special crew and allowed her a good llfe way back when that wasn't as prevalent as It Is today. She was one of the first examples of my need for tolerance that I ever experienced regarding people who are different than the majority (hope that reads OK) - my parents taught me to be kind to her for various reasons that were important to learn - I'm grateful for that today, and I am reminded of that by learning of her death. I'm glad she was around when I was a child for these reasons.

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**Andy Williams** - September 22, 2015 at 04:19 PM

KK

“ Missy was so much a part of our church family at Wesley United Methodist church when I was young and she enjoyed going to the country club. John was a good big brother and Missy was fun to be around. I am sorry for your loss. God Bless.

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**Ken Krueger** - September 21, 2015 at 10:49 PM



“ Many fond memories of Missy at Prestwood Country Club. My prayers are with her family.

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**Anne Braddock** - September 21, 2015 at 10:24 PM

VB

“ *Many fond memories of Missy...She was a precious person...*

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**vernon boyd** - September 21, 2015 at 08:07 PM

JC

“ *John Crawford lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan*



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**John Crawford** - September 21, 2015 at 05:47 PM

JS

“ *May the Lord be with your family and lift you up*



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**Jennie Lynn Sherrill** - September 21, 2015 at 12:25 PM

PV

“ *Such fond memories of Missy during our school years. God bless her family.*

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**Pollyanna Blackwell Vereen** - September 21, 2015 at 11:29 AM

SM

“ *My entire family loved Missy for many years. She was always such a joy to be around. She will be missed by many. Sincerely, The Ray Petty family*

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**Susan Petty McElveen** - September 21, 2015 at 10:29 AM

DT

“ *Darlene Tyner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan*



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**Darlene Tyner** - September 21, 2015 at 09:42 AM

RW

“ *Rebecca Wadsworth Walker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan*



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**Rebecca Wadsworth Walker** - September 21, 2015 at 09:17 AM

DB

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our neighborhood grew up with Missy. I remember John would always bring her to the country club with him to play pool or swim. I have a lot of memories of Missy. donald byerly*

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**Donald Byerly** - September 21, 2015 at 08:49 AM

PS

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Missy was loved by so many. She always loved the "Spring Fling", that was sponsored by the Darlington County Mental Health Association. She loved to dance and have a good time.*

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**Pam Sansbury** - September 21, 2015 at 07:39 AM

HA

“ *I am sorry for your loss. I remember Missy from school and Prestwood Country club.* **Holly Saleeby Atkins**

**holly atkins** - September 21, 2015 at 05:47 AM

SS

“ *So sorry to hear about Missy. I remember her from Hartsville Jr. High school. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Moissy. God Bless!!*



**Sherry B. Stallings** - September 20, 2015 at 09:27 PM



“ *Joy Owens lit a candle in memory of Ms. Katherine "Missy" Elizabeth Reagan*



**Joy Owens** - September 20, 2015 at 08:31 PM

PO

*We have thought about Missy so much over the years. We bought the home she grew up in and have loved living there for eighteen years. She was a delightful person, and it was our joy and privilege to know her and her family!*

**Phillip and Sara Odom** - September 23, 2015 at 09:31 PM