



Kayla A. Donnelly-Smith

February 2, 2015

Kayla A. Donnelly-Smith of Woodbridge, Conn. (formerly of Freeport), suddenly on February 2, 2015 at the age of 22. Beloved daughter of William Donnelly and Penny Smith. Loving sister of Abigail and Alyssa. Also survived by "the love of her life", Eoin Reid and many other loving family members and friends. Visitation Friday from 2-4pm & 7-9pm at Hungerford & Clark Inc. Funeral Home 110 Pine St. (Corner So. Ocean Ave.) Freeport. Funeral Mass Saturday 9:45am at Our Holy Redeemer R.C. Church Freeport. Cremation Private.

In lieu of flowers contributions to the Junior Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF.org) would be appreciated.

Tribute Wall



“ Provide comfort for the family by sending flowers or planting a tree in memory of Kayla Donnelly-Smith. Show Your Care By Sending Flowers Guaranteed hand delivery by a local florist

November 12, 2021 at 12:59 PM



“ Jack Glacken posted a condolence With the utmost respect, am deeply saddened by your tremendous loss. Your family is in my prayers, now, and always.

Jack Glacken - February 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Heidi Howkins Lockwood posted a condolence Dear Mrs. Smith, Mr. Donnelly, Abby, Alyssa, and Eoin, I'm a Professor of Philosophy at SCSU, and had the good fortune of having Kayla in 3 of my classes. She was a joy to teach: inquisitive, quick to laugh, diligent, and creative. It was with shock and deep sadness that I learned of her death. She will be missed by so many here at the University. The last class Kayla took from me was "Philosophy 242: Death and the Meaning of Life." The final assignment was a creative response to the content of the course. Kayla changed her plans for the project at the last minute after hearing a reading by another student who wrote a powerful letter to a suicidal roommate. "After hearing [the other student's] story," Kayla wrote, "I stopped and sat down and thought: my life is my family. I would live and die for them. They are my meaning of life." She adored her sisters, described her mom as "my rock," and wrote "my boyfriend is my world." May we find the strength to enjoy life in her memory.

Heidi Howkins Lockwood - February 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Katherine posted a condolence I love you both Kyle and I are so sad for your loss she was an amazing woman

Katherine - February 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Marie Greger-Moser posted a condolence I'm the mom of Lucy Greger-Moser, who was a team mate of Kayla's on the cheerleading team, Onyx, at Spirit Zone. I'm so very sorry and saddened to hear of the tragic loss of your extraordinary and beautiful daughter. She was an inspiration to everyone that she cheered with and who knew her at the gym. Our hearts go out to you and Kayla's family and friends during such a painful and very sad time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. With deepest sympathy, Marie Greger-Moser and family.

Marie Greger-Moser - February 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *d mullins posted a condolence So sorry to read of the tragic loss of your young daughter, Kalya.
I wish to share comfort from the Bible at this terribly sad time. Jesus well knew the Bible statement:" Time and unforeseen occurrence befall them all"[Ecclesiastes 9:11]. He knew that sometimes bad things just happen.
The wonderful future resurrection hope is the promise found at John 5:28,29.
Revelation 21:3,4 states that death will be no more. and pain will be no more, the former things will have passed away.
Our Creator, Jehovah God, by means of his son Jesus, is going to bring about these wonderful changes.
I hope as you read these texts in your Bible they will be of comfort to you.
There is much Bible-based comfort to be found on the website jw.org
sincerely dianne mullins*

d mullins - February 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ *Loretta & Bob Naylor posted a condolence Penny-
There are no words to adequately express our sorrow for the overwhelming loss to you and your family. Kayla was a tremendous personality with boundless energy and enthusiasm for life. We will miss her brightening up our home with her visits and infectious laughter. You should be so proud of the wonderful young woman she became. It is evident that she touched so many lives. Please know you are now and will remain in our thoughts and prayers.*

Loretta & Bob Naylor - February 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Keith Gredel posted a condolence I'm sorry for the loss of your daughter. My prayers and thoughts go out to you and the rest of the family. Stay strong!

Keith Gredel - February 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Georgette DiResta posted a condolence So very sorry for your loss. Prayers for you to get through an awful time. Remember your daughter is looking down and smiling upon you...Love Georgette

Georgette DiResta - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ jonathan bacchiocchi posted a condolence .I met Kayla a few months ago working at a1 Toyota she came up to me and said you must be the famous Jonathan from Bridgeport. which put a smile on my face and then she introduced herself with her unique tone of voice. & even when she was busy with work & customers she would still make sure To scream hello from across the room. she's smart, funny, unique, & beautiful young lady and will be missed. there should be more people like her on this earth. My deepest condolences to her family & friends.

jonathan bacchiocchi - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ nilda Arce posted a condolence Im so sorry for your lost. I didnt know her, but my family in freeport did....Sending prayers to the family.

May she R.I.P

nilda Arce - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Liz and Jim Keefe posted a condolence To Kayla's family and friends,
My husband and I knew Kayla for only a few days of her short life. She sold us our car on New Year's Eve. Never have I met a young woman with more enthusiasm and genuine love of life. She was as excited about our new car as we were. Before we drove off, she gave me a big hug and an even bigger smile. Her happiness could hardly be contained. And her business card is still on our refrigerator because we can't bear to take it down. It is so hard to comprehend this terrible tragedy, and our hearts break for your tremendous loss. Know that Kayla touched so many people in her short life. You are in our prayers.
Liz and Jim Keefe, Milford, CT

Liz and Jim Keefe - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Susan Millosky posted a condolence Penny and family, I'm so sorry for your loss, you are in my prayers

Susan Millosky - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Michael Baal posted a condolence My condolences.. i remember Kayla from Clearwater Florida days .. Penny ... my heart aches for all of you.
R.I.P Angel...

Michael Baal - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *The Perrone Family posted a condolence We are so deeply saddened and heartbroken to hear of this tragic news. We met Kayla when our son Brian took her to his senior prom in 2009. She was such a beautiful young lady. Brian is devastated. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

The Perrone Family - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Debbie Altieri posted a symbolic gesture*

Debbie Altieri - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *Jessica Ruskin posted a condolence I met Kayla around this time last year at Title Boxing Club. Her enthusiasm and love of life (and boxing) got me instantly hooked and I faithfully attended her boxing classes every week. She motivated me to become a stronger, healthier person. I gained my self-confidence back because of her. It breaks my heart that she had to leave this world so soon. Please know that your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Jessica Ruskin - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *Little Saint Religious Goods posted a condolence Our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to the family and friends of Kayla. Rest in peace.*

Little Saint Religious Goods - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ Edie and Ashleigh Longo posted a condolence Penny, Eoin and Family, it is with a heavy heart that I write this. Our deepest condolences. That beautiful life was cut way to short. Kayla is a beautiful girl and we are grateful to have been a small part of her world while she was a Mephram Cheerleader. She will forever be an angel on your shoulder. Her beautiful smile and outgoing spirit will forever be ingrained in our minds. Rest in peace Kayla. I pray you find peace in your memories and the knowledge of knowing she will forever be with you. xoxo

Edie and Ashleigh Longo - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ McGladrey RCS team posted a condolence Dear Donnelly-Smith Family,
Words seem inadequate to express the sadness we feel about Kayla's death. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.
With sincere sympathy,
McGladrey RCS team

McGladrey RCS team - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EA

“ Elizabeth Assoon posted a condolence im so sorry for your loss

Elizabeth Assoon - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Monica Notarnicola posted a condolence So sorry to hear about your loss. I will keep Kayla and her family in my prays. Heaven's got another beautiful angel. RIP

Monica Notarnicola - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Margaret and Tony Whelan and family posted a condolence We are family friends of Eoin's family and we wish to extend our deepest sympathy to you on the tragic loss of a beautiful daughter, sister and cherished girlfriend. May God give you all the strength and grace to get through this difficult time.

Margaret and Tony Whelan and family - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Marci Adams Welch posted a symbolic gesture All my thoughts, love and prayers go out to you.

Marci Adams Welch - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Karen Weissensee posted a condolence I did not know Kyla, she was coached by my cousin Melissa .my heart and prayers go out to you her parents, siblings, family and friends. It's difficult to lose a child. I lost my son in December. she will be remembered in my prayers and so will you may someday you find peace

Karen Weissensee - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ Valli Leone posted a condolence *In the end only three things remain: faith, hope and love. And the greatest of these is love, . . . which never dies. 1 Corinthians 13*

Penny, I am Valerie's and Aimee's aunt in Key Largo, Florida. The news of your very great loss has reached the hearts and homes of so many around the country. Please know that people everywhere are lifting you and your precious family and friends up in prayer night and day. May God's healing peace that surpasses all understanding be with you.

Your precious daughter will remain alive in your heart forever, as well as in all the hearts of those who were blessed to know and love her in this life. The last time I saw her was as a young child, when she was Valerie's very sweet and beautiful flower girl. I hope to see her again one day in Heaven--more lovely and radiant than ever before.

Valli Leone - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ David Soto posted a condolence *My Deepest condolences and prayers go out to the Donnelly-Smith Family. God Bless You*

David Soto - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Debbie Altieri posted a condolence *My thoughts and prayers are with Kayla's loved ones. She had a genuine gift for bringing joy to the people around her. A smile that was contagious and a personality like a rainbow. She dated my son, Danny a few years ago. This gave me the chance to really get to know her. Kind, generous, thoughtful, sweet, and loving are the things I will always remember about this beautiful shining star...xo I am so very sorry for your loss and my heart breaks for all who were fortunate to have known her.*

Debbie Altieri - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Maura Wheeler posted a condolence I met Kayla while she was working at A1 Toyota, she was a friend to my daughter. Kayla was a beautiful, happy, kind girl, who wanted everyone to be happy. She always was smiling and friendly to everyone, and lit up a room. A very special girl who will be remembered fondly. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Maura Wheeler - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Jen and Ron Hartung posted a condolence There are no words that can heal the heartbreak from your loss. Have faith knowing that you all have a guardian angel watching over you. Our sincerest condolences to you all. Our thoughts and prayers are with you always!

Jen and Ron Hartung - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Nilda Baez posted a condolence From my family to yours, we extend our hearts and prayers to you and yours. We are so sad for your loss. There are no words, just love and support. Deepest sympathy.
Your friend,
Nilda Baez

Nilda Baez - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ Nancy Morsch posted a condolence Penny I didn't know your daughter but I'm sending you my deepest condolences it's a horrific tradgy & I am so sorry for your loss with the love of your friends may you find the peace RIP beautiful angel!! Sending you prayers

Nancy Morsch - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Kristen Jordan Cunningham posted a condolence *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. May God hold Kayla close and her family closer.....may her soul rest in eternal peace.*

Kristen Jordan Cunningham - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Maralin Merklin-Gray posted a condolence *My heart aches for you all. I'm so very sorry for this tragic loss. She is safe and at peace in the hands of the Lord. Peace be with you all.*

Maralin Merklin-Gray - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ P.J. Lewis-Furnari and Anthony Furnari posted a symbolic gesture

P.J. Lewis-Furnari and Anthony Furnari - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Cindy Waddock posted a condolence *Kayla, thank you for always making me laugh, for always shouting my name across the gym, for letting me be myself, for encouraging me to be healthy and fit, and for letting me dance around all goofy with you, even though I am old enough to be your mother.*

The world has lost a wonderful young soul. I will miss you and always remember your beautiful smile and spirit!

WE LOVE YOU KAYLA!

Cindy

Cindy Waddock - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Kim Mann (Jamie and Robins sister) posted a condolence Penny my heart aches and I m at a loss for words. I am praying for your strength and your families to bear this tragedy. With deepest sympathy*

Kim Mann (Jamie and Robins sister) - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Maureen radigan posted a condolence Your child was beautiful and although her time here on Earth was too short you will be together again in Heaven. May you find comfort and peace in God's words and promises during this sad time of loss. We will pray for you and your family to be lifted up above the sorrow*

Maureen radigan - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *lisha schlaich posted a symbolic gesture Kayla we will never know why God called you home. Watch over your mother father step mother and sisters. Show them signs that you are with them until you meet again and surround them in your loving light.....*

lisha schlaich - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ *Paul Kocabay posted a condolence My deepest and most sincere condolences as you mourn, I am so sad to hear about this.*

Paul Kocabay - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *Bridget Green posted a condolence To Kayla's Family, I am so shocked and saddened at the sudden passing of Kayla. She was a "rookie" salesperson at our dealership, but her motivation surpassed most of our "seasoned" salespeople. May you take comfort in knowing that Kayla was loved by all here and respected. My prayers are with you all. God Bless.*

Bridget Green - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *maureen geiser-colon posted a condolence Its heartbreaking when a life is taken so young. Kayla was a beautiful, loving girl, taken too early..My heart breaks for all of her family. Just know she smiles down upon you all, eternally watching over you...*

maureen geiser-colon - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Maura Dehm posted a condolence My deepest condolences as you mourn the loss of this beautiful girl. May you find peace in knowing she will always be with you.*

Maura Dehm - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *Linda J. Degen posted a condolence I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Linda J. Degen - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *Susanne Papadopoulos - Kim & Alicia's Aunt posted a symbolic gesture Please know that our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Our heartfelt sympathy to you all!*

Susanne Papadopoulos - Kim & Alicia's Aunt - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JD

“*Josie Dvorak posted a condolence I was devistated by the news of kaylas passing. Such a beautiful person you all raised. My heart felt condolences to Penny, Chari and your family. Josie*

Josie Dvorak - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CW

“*Cindy Worrell posted a condolence I don't know you all personally, but we're tied by our Freeport roots. So very sorry for your tragic loss and sending prayers of comfort.*

Cindy Worrell - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MG

“*Maribel Cepero Gutierrez posted a symbolic gesture Dearest Penny, Billy & family, my deepest condolences to you all. May God grant you peace at this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Maribel Cepero Gutierrez (Marvel)*

Maribel Cepero Gutierrez - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“*Mildred Menendez posted a condolence My deepest condolences to Penny, Billy, Kim, Abigail and Alyssa, along with the rest of the family and friends. I don't understand it, can't believe it. Kayla was an adorable little girl who became a beautiful young lady, inside and out. Please God give everyone the strength to get through this. Penny I love you!!!!*

Mildred Menendez - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

QS

“ Quincy Smith posted a condolence *It is with heavy heart, a lump in my throat, and such sorrow that I give my deepest condolences to your family. She was truly a gem. A diamond in the rough. She was a pleasure to be around and to know.....for the short time I knew her. She lit up the showroom at work. She will live forever in my memory. It was a true pleasure to have known her. My prayers go out to your family. God bless.*

Quincy Smith - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Jane Hart posted a condolence *Chari so very sorry for the loss of your neice*

Jane Hart - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ Barbara & Ilona Jagnow - " Otto's" posted a condolence *Our thoughts & prayers are with you at this difficult time. So very sorry for your loss of Kayla.*

Barbara & Ilona Jagnow - " Otto's" - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ The family of Kayla A. Donnelly-Smith uploaded a photo

February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Shannon posted a condolence *may God bless and get kaylas family friends and loved ones through this dark time. Prayers to you all!*

Shannon - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IM

“ Irene Morgan posted a condolence *My thought and prayers are with you all at this time.*

Irene Morgan - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Mindy Hoenscheid posted a condolence *My sincere condolences! My daughters first met Kaula through their cousin, Lauren WRner, and ghen were lucky enough to cheer with Kayla at Mid Island (different teams because my girls were younger). My girls and I will forever remembet Kaya's beautiful smile! G-d bless!*

Mindy Hoenscheid - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IM

“ Ian manning posted a condolence *Billy and Penny My words can do nothing to stem the tide of grief you two must feel. I believe I had the pleasure of meeting Kayla only a few times , but from the outpouring of love from so many, she must have been so special. I can only hope that somehow you guys along with Abigail , Alyssa and Kim find a way to lean on each other and help each other through this horrible tragedy .*

Ian manning - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Kris Seymour & Family posted a condolence *Dear Penny, Billy and Kim, Words are never adequate at a time like this. No one can ever prepare us for such a loss. Take comfort in the beautiful memories of Kayla. Her spirit will forever live on and protect you. Our deepest sympathy, Kris & Johnny Seymour and Family*

Kris Seymour & Family - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“*Josie Mak posted a condolence I am so very sorry. Such a wobderful YOUNG lady. Be proud that you did an amazing job and you enjoy every minute of het. Priceless*

Josie Mak - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BP

“*Brittney pethick posted a condolence Sending lots of love and prayers to Kayla's family and loved ones during this tragic time. I will never forget this beautiful girl who touched so many. Rip Kayla, we all love you and you will be so deeply missed by all.*

Brittney pethick - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“*david silverman posted a condolence Kayla, you made everyone's life happier, prettier and always put a smile on their face. soar like the angel you are....*

david silverman - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“*Courtney Glenn lit a candle*

Courtney Glenn - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FH

“*Fran Huckemeyer posted a condolence The gates of paradise have their arms open wide to embrace their Angel. May you find peace that she will bring joy to heaven as she did in this life. My prayers n thoughts are with you and your family.. Fran*

Fran Huckemeyer - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Courtney Glenn posted a condolence I am so sorry words can not express. My heart goes out to all the family and to her mother penny I want to say I love you and I wish I could take the pain away. Nothing is as precious as our children. You all are in my thoughts and prayers and know even though I cant be up there with you to give you a hug I with be with you in spirit. Love Courtney Glenn

Courtney Glenn - February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM