

Azure Dee Butkus

April 9, 1976 - January 11, 2019

Azure Dee (McClure) Butkus, 42, of Peru, passed away at her parents home in Lincoln, IL at 7:48 a.m. on Friday, January 11, 2019. She was born April 9, 1976 in Garden Grove, CA, to Terry and Dee (Smith) McClure. She married Brian Butkus on November 29, 2017 in Peru, IL.

Azure is survived by her parents, of Lincoln; husband: Brian Butkus of Peru; two sons: Gabriel Logan Hale of Peru and Liam Zephyr Harris of Bloomington, IL; and siblings: Kelly Renee Harp of Mason City, Lisa Louise McClure of Irvine, CA and Carolyn Louise McClure of Texas. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents: John and Emma McClure, maternal grandparents Dillard and Ruth Smith and step-grandfather Andrew Cruse.

Azure graduated from Methodist Medical Center's School of Nursing in 1999. She worked for five years at OSF-St. Francis in Peoria. She later worked in Travelling Nursing, Pediatric Nursing, Home Health Care Nursing and later as a Director of Nursing. She enjoyed photography, music, dancing and graphic design.

Funeral services will be held at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, with visitation one hour prior to the services. Burial will follow the services at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana. Rev. Alex Garncars will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to OSF Hospice or an Education Fund for Azure's Children. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

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Tribute Wall



“ *Azure Dee Butkus*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *The best memory I have was to be able to give you, your last wish. A ride in the Corvette, just you and me and all the deer we saw. I will never forget that. It was truly a blessing for me. Your Loving Dad*

Dad - January 15, 2019 at 08:09 AM



“ *You were the joy of my life. I am your father, but most of all I am your DAD. I will never forget you and will see you again, for GOD loves us both. DAD FOREVER*

DAD - January 15, 2019 at 08:01 AM



“ *We hope knowing that family and friends share your sorrow is some comfort to you during this difficult time. We are confident that many fond memories of Azure's life will remind you every day of her lasting legacy.*

*Affectionately,
Ray and Nancy Krey*

Ray & Nancy Krey - January 14, 2019 at 11:36 PM

JM

“ John McClure purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Azure Dee Butkus.



John McClure - January 14, 2019 at 06:17 PM

LH

“ Liam Harris purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Azure Dee Butkus.



Liam Harris - January 14, 2019 at 10:45 AM

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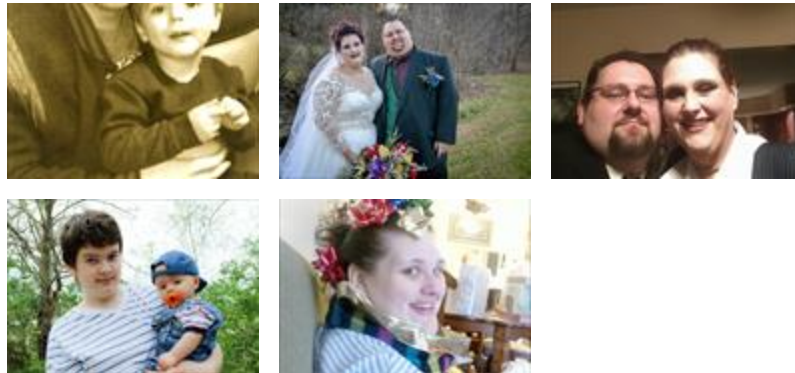
“ Azure was a beautiful person inside and out. When her family first moved to our subdivision we became friends instantly.. I will never forget all the fun times we had and all of our sleepovers. We would stay up talking all night.. Miss those talks.



Jodi Dellit - January 14, 2019 at 10:41 AM

MH

“ 18 files added to the album Memories



Michael Harris - January 14, 2019 at 09:38 AM

MM

“ Mom & Dad McClure purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Azure Dee Butkus.



Mom & Dad McClure - January 12, 2019 at 02:48 PM

BM

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Azure passing away. We went to school together and I always remember her beautiful face and wonderful bright smile. Sending comforting prayers to all of you

Bridget (Fuller) Marden - January 12, 2019 at 01:17 PM

JM

So sorry for your lost brother. Cant imagine loosing a son or daughter. She is in a better place now which I pray this whole family will be by believing in jesus christ. Life can be short so let forgive each other and love each other while still can. I do love my whole family God be with you all God bless

Joe mcclure - January 18, 2019 at 08:07 AM