



Laine E. Tangeman

July 29, 1953 - April 5, 2016

Laine Ellyn Neff Tangeman, 62, Topeka, passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at the House at Midland Care, surrounded by her family.

Laine was born on July 29, 1953, in Axtell KS, the daughter of Wayne and Mildred Bergman Neff. Laine grew up in Seneca, where she graduated from Saints Peter and Paul Catholic High School in 1971. She then went on to attend Patricia Stevens Career College in Wichita, for fashion merchandising. Laine and Richard H. Tangeman were united in marriage on November 18, 1972, at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Seneca. They enjoyed 43 wonderful years together. Laine was a manager and buyer for Rosie's Show-Off, as well as a director and senior director for Mary Kay Cosmetics, earning four Mary Kay cars during her career. She was a member of Saint Matthew Catholic Church. Laine was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was dearly loved and will be sorely missed.

Grateful to have shared her life are her husband, Richard Tangeman, of the home; daughters, Jada Conley (Jason), Centralia, Jarae Essman (Ryan), Grantville; grandchildren, Jenri and Jude Conley and Zachary and Lia Essman; father, Wayne Neff, Sabetha; sisters, Lynne Mulroy (Richard) and Layna Lackey (Richard). Laine was preceded in death by her mother.

Family will greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at St. Matthew Catholic

Church, 2700 SE Virginia Avenue, Topeka KS 66605, with a parish rosary at 7 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at the church. Burial will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to St. Francis Cancer Center, for patients' needs, Midland Care Hospice or St. Matthew Catholic Church, sent in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Matthew Catholic Church
2700 SE Virginia Ave
Topeka, KS 66605

Rosary

APR 7. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Topeka, KS 66605

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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2700 SE Virginia Ave
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Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Laine E. Tangeman



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 06, 2016 at 10:35 AM

GR

What a beautiful video. Knowingly or not the bee on the flowers was so appropriate!

Gracie - August 15, 2016 at 10:53 AM



“ *Laine E. Tangeman*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

CV

“ Jada, Jarae and Rick,

I received notification this morning of the anniversary of your momma's passing. I can't believe she's been an Angel for 6 years (I thought I had left condolences when I first found out about her, but couldn't find any on here). Know that she's watching over your ENTIRE family, through the good and bad times, keeping you all safe. I always loved seeing her radiant smile and gorgeous red hair. Watching her memory video brought back those memories of our childhood. I recently lost my dad. No one can ever express the condolences needed to take away the pain that comes with losing a family member or friend. My dad beat colon cancer twice, always keeping a positive attitude, but in the end, it was his joy of camping that brought him to his weakest. It's brought mom and I closer, but he was my EVERYTHING...my mentor, educator and best friend. I was definitely a "daddy's girl". I have faith that he went to Heaven, but until I see him and know that he's safe with our Lord and Jesus, there will always be that unsoundness in my heart and mind. I feel he's visited me twice, shortly after his passing; no one believes me though, and laugh when I share the occurrences. Hopefully you had some of those experiences from your mom. Keep her memories alive, and from her memory video, it looks like she and Rick had world-wide adventures, as well as closer adventures near home with the rest of you guys. Know that I'm saying a little prayer for each of you...

Hugs, Carrie VanDruff

Carrie VanDruff - March 31, 2021 at 11:58 AM

BL

“ *Bill LeGrand lit a candle in memory of Laine E. Tangeman*



Bill LeGrand - April 13, 2016 at 07:38 AM

MR

“ *My deepest sympathies to Rick, Jada, Jarae and families. Laine was an awesome women. She showed me so much respect and dignity at a time in my life I probably wasn't deserving of it. She was one of a kind, and my thoughts are with you all.*

Mark Renfro - April 08, 2016 at 06:32 PM

KG

“ *We are sad to hear of Laine's passing, but know the memory of her enthusiasm and warm personality has brightened all our lives. We were neighbors with Laine and Rick as Jada and Jarae were growing up. Our families spent time together since we have daughters the same age. We all remember the get-togethers, play dates, school events, and just casual conversations and meetings in the street. We cherish those times - and although we didn't stay in close touch as we went our separate ways, the time with Laine and her family will always be special to us.*

-- Kathy and Bill Gosa

Kathy Gosa - April 08, 2016 at 08:10 AM

RS

“ Steve and I are so sorry for your loss. We are thankful to have known Laine and to have had her as a friend. Our hearts go out to you Rick for the loss of your wife and to you Jarae and Jada for the loss of your mother. Also our sympathy goes out to her grandchildren, to her son-n-laws, and to all other family members. Laine loved her family! She was proud of each and every one of you!

Rebecca and Steve Setzer - April 07, 2016 at 10:43 PM

LW

“ Lola & Gary Warner lit a candle in memory of Laine E. Tangeman



Lola & Gary Warner - April 07, 2016 at 11:35 AM

RS

“ Rick and Jarae,

I'm so sorry to hear of Laine's passing. Your family will be in my prayers.

Ron Smeltzer

Ron Smeltzer - April 07, 2016 at 11:02 AM

GM

“ Rick and family, so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Liz and George Melling

George & Elizabeth Melling - April 07, 2016 at 10:12 AM

CC

“ *Laine's smile, enthusiasm and creativity will be missed with all her Mary Kay sisters.*

Cristina Carper - April 06, 2016 at 10:31 PM

MP

“ *Jarae and family,*

May the fond and loving memories of your beautiful mother be with you always and help you through your difficult times. She will be greatly missed by many friends and her family as she touched many lives throughout her life.

Thinking of you.

Marsha Penrod - April 06, 2016 at 10:01 PM

NC

“ *I will always treasure our time together on our cousins days and our trip--never has there been anyone more special to all of us who had the pleasure of having her in our life. We'll see you again one day and until then you will remain In our hearts and thoughts. Love you pretty lady!*

Nancy Cudney - April 06, 2016 at 06:42 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Laine E. Tangeman.*



April 06, 2016 at 06:40 PM

LA

“ *Laine piloted her own ship through the storm and now arrived to the calm. I am blessed to have been a passenger on her journey. She taught faith, hope, courage and resolve. She was my theater and movie buddy. special memories of our sisters trip to Portland Maine and our cousins trip to San Francisco. She made me listen to the lyrics of "Spirit in the Sky," and I will forever see her in every sunrise, every sunset and every cloud formation. Love her to the 🌙*
🌟🌟 Layna

Layna - April 06, 2016 at 06:26 PM

BT

Very sad. She was a special person I knew and remember to this day her friendship when we were young moms and neighbors. Our condolences to the family, Barb and Cary Tegtmeyer

barbara and cary tegtmeyer - April 18, 2016 at 02:45 PM

LM

“ *Our earthly angel earned her heavenly wings on April 5.2016. Our family lost a "golden heart" and we have broken ones. Laine was a positive person who impacted many lives with her enthusiasm, spiritual belief, adventure and personality. She helped everyone in need, if you were her friend you were blessed as she was loyal and you were a lifelong person on her life.*
"Faith & Family" always first! She followed the golden rules and was always the life of the party, or she was the party! She strongly cRried her heavy cross for 4 yrs, with no complaint. Now the ones left behind have to carry theirs. She was very loved, respected, a great mentor, a true friend, an all around bubbly person who loved and lived her life to the very end. She deserves a jeweled crown for all the pain and suffering she did quietly and gracefully. Love and miss you already my baby sister!
Lynne A Mulroy

Lynne A Mulroy - April 06, 2016 at 05:02 PM

JS

“ Our heartfelt sympathy to you Rick and your daughters , Jada and Jerae and families in loss of your sweet angel , Laine . I have never known a more courageous, upbeat , loving person not to mention her positive attitude throughout her battle with cancer and never once expecting sympathy. God gained a lovely lady into His heavenly kingdom.

Our prayers and sympathy , Larry & Judy Strathman

Judy Strathman - April 06, 2016 at 04:15 PM

JA

“ Jim and Jan Akers purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Laine E. Tangeman.



Jim and Jan Akers - April 06, 2016 at 01:19 PM

S1

“ SPPS Class of 1971 purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Laine E. Tangeman.



SPPS Class of 1971 - April 06, 2016 at 11:58 AM

TB

“ Rick and family.. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you. I knew Laine through Rick, having worked with him for 30+ years. Many company functions where Rick and Laine were there. Laine was always friendly, upbeat and had a smile that was catching. She will be missed greatly by many. God bless. Teri Burkett

Teri Burkett - April 06, 2016 at 09:07 AM

DM

“ *Jarae,
Sorry to hear about your Mom. You and your family are in our
thoughts and prayers*

Debbie Miller - April 06, 2016 at 08:26 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Laine E. Tangeman.*



April 05, 2016 at 09:44 PM

ML

“ Laine was an amazing woman! My sympathies are with her entire family.

I knew Laine through Mary Kay and had the pleasure of being her sister Sales Director. I remember one year, in specific, that I roomed with her in San Antonio, Tx at our annual Leadership Conference. I remember that I had forgotten my jewelry at home and she pulled out this neat, organized bag and said, here pick something. Of course, there was like 20 sets of accessories to choose from. I remember going through each of them and at the end, she said, here, you need something much bigger and handed me the most beautiful set she had with her. She was always so gracious to help someone out and continuously blessed those around her. She drove to Iowa for my Director Debut and I'll never forget what a big help she was that night. She gave selflessly.

Prayers of sympathy for all of you. Jada and Jarae, I know how much you loved your mom. You both are a beautiful resemblance of her :) May your treasured memories serve as a reminder of all the good times. Hugs to you! Love, Merri Lenz

Merri Lenz - April 05, 2016 at 05:59 PM

GL

“ *What a special lady, wife, mother, grandmother, sister-in-law and dear friend. Laine always brought the most positive light to any room, with elegance and grace. We will all have a forever void in our hearts with her passing.*

Way too many memories to even begin to share...from our early days of going with Rick and Laine to wedding dances (better not share too many details), and Laine's love of just visiting and playing board games.

You will be greatly missed by many, and I know you are finally at peace, free from the long battle you so graciously fought.



Greg Lyon - April 05, 2016 at 05:44 PM

CB

“ *Ryan, Jarae and family - Sorry to hear of the passing of your loved one. Hold dear fond memories of your loved one to help you in your time of need. Heaven has gained yet another precious angel. Thinking of you and sending hugs your way. - Cindy Beattie*



Cindy Beattie - April 05, 2016 at 05:35 PM

GM

“ I got to know Laine in Wichita while she was in school. We became dear friends and ran together with a good crowd of fine folks. Although we saw each other only a few times over the years, we always remained friends and communicated occasionally. She was a fun and sweet gal who will always hold a spot in my heart. I'm looking forward to seeing her again in heaven. May God strengthen and encourage you, Rick and your family.

*Garen Martens
Fairview, OK*

Garen Martens - April 05, 2016 at 05:16 PM

GM

PS - Laine and Rick took me to my first ever Catholic wedding in Seneca. It was an event to be remembered.

Garen Martens - April 05, 2016 at 05:18 PM



“ Laine was an amazing woman! Though I didnt know her a terribly long time, the few years that I did know here were all great. I cant remember her even not wearing a smile!! Her pride, excitement, and drive to help others is something I will never forget.

See ya on the other side Laine!

Steve Moore - April 05, 2016 at 05:08 PM