



## Judith Katherine "Katy" James

August 8, 1995 - September 7, 2012

Judith Katherine James ran through the gates of Heaven and jumped into Jesus arms on September 7th, 2012. Katy had been battling Pontine Glioma since being diagnosed in June of 2011. Katy was a gifted musician and was an active member of the Carolina Youth Symphony as well as the Christ Church Episcopal School Orchestra (Violin) and Band (Flute) where she had attained region status in each. As an Honor Student at Christ Church Episcopal School she was entering her Senior year as an IB Candidate and had already been accepted to Tulane University where she hoped to study biology starting next fall.. She was an avid sportswoman, participating in Cross Country and Softball at school.

She was very active at Salem United Methodist Church, where she was a member of several youth groups and directed Vacation Bible School in July; and at St. Peters Episcopal Church where she was a member of the Senior Youth Group and served as a Lay Reader.

Katy will be missed by two brothers, Robert and Jimmy; a sister, Jacky; and a father, Bob, all of the home. A mother, Rita, of Greenville. Grandparents Bob and Jacky James of Excelsior Springs, MO and Jim and Judy Oller of Travelers Rest, SC. Also, many Aunts and Uncles as well as cousins around the country and the loving caregivers of Hospice Care of South Carolina including Lissa Carver and Nikki Scott

Visitation will be at Howze Mortuary at 6714 State Park Road in Travelers Rest, SC from 7 to 9 PM on Sunday September 9th . The Funeral will be at St.

Peters Episcopal Church at 910 Hudson Road, Greenville, SC 29616 on Monday, September 10th at 4:30 PM with an informal reception for all afterwards in Stockstill Hall at St. Peters. Memorial Services will be held at Salem United Methodist Church at 2700 White Horse Road, Greenville, SC at Tuesday 4:30 PM on September 11th a dedication of the Katy James Family Life Center to follow; and at Christ Church Episcopal School at 4:30 PM on Wednesday, September 12th at 245 Cavalier Drive Greenville, SC 29607 with a reception for all to follow.

In Lieu of flowers the family has asked for donations to the Ellis Mayfield Foundation for the financial support of children and the families of children suffering from pediatric brain tumors who reside in the upstate of South Carolina. The address is 11 Parkhaven Way Greenville, SC 29607. The website is: [www.ellismayfieldfoundation.samsbiz.com](http://www.ellismayfieldfoundation.samsbiz.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **9**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Service

SEP **10**. 4:30 PM (ET)

St. Peters Episcopal Church  
910 Hudson Rd.  
Greenville, SC

# Tribute Wall

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“ Katy was such a sweet girl--she went to Hampton Park Christian School K-4 with my daughter Victoria and they were the best of friends. I just learned of her passing away today and got out pictures of her and Victoria picking pumpkins together for a class trip. They were holding hands and smiling--out having fun on a gorgeous day at a farm. My heart feels heavy right now. Condolences to the James family--you'll be in our thoughts and prayers for a long time to come. God bless.

Roberta Fitton - October 24, 2012 at 10:58 PM



“ Bob and Family - we share your grief on Katy' passing. She touched the lives of so many people in her work with CYS. She will be sorely missed.##imported-begin##Les Hicken, Carolina Youth Symphony##imported-end##

September 20, 2012 at 10:22 AM



“ Rita, I am so sorry to hear about Katy. I have children of my own now and can not imagine what you and your family are going through. It seems like not long ago I remember playing with you at Taylors and Katy was probably around age 5 and how much she loved hearing you play and loved music. My heart goes out to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Larry Orr##imported-begin##Larry Orr##imported-end##

September 18, 2012 at 03:11 PM



“ Thank you for allowing all of us the opportunity to be near Katy and share her love . She is special to me. We all have a treasure to keep, the wonderful memories of her. I thank God for that blessing.##imported-begin##julius Bratcher##imported-end##

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September 11, 2012 at 12:00 PM



“ Rita, my heart goes out to you during this difficult time. Praying that God's grace and mercy will surround you and give you peace. Much love, Keli##imported-begin##Keli Sewell##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 07:33 PM



“ To all the family our sincere and heartfelt condolences.  
Our thoughts are with you.  
Mike & Franca##imported-begin##Franca & Mike  
George##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 06:58 PM



“ I am very sorry for your loss....it's certainly heaven's gain. I was blessed by meeting Katy on her queen for a day program. She was such a loving child. You will all be in my prayers.

Kelley Bracken- Rainey##imported-begin##Kelley  
Rainey##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 12:42 PM



“ Bob - Heather, the kids and I continue to lift you and your family up in prayers daily. Words can't express the sorrow that we feel in your time of loss. The least we can do is continue to ask God to comfort you and give you peace.##imported-begin##Chip Cooper##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 12:17 PM



“ Rita so very sorry to hear that heaven has another of our wonderful girls. You all are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Mary Lathan Holmes##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 11:41 AM



“ Rita & Bob, I am so sorry for your loss. I just read about it today and can only imagine what you all are going through. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jan Shore ##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 10:38 AM



“ Rita I am so sorry to hear of Katy's passing on Friday. She is in a much better place land a new member of God's orchestra. I pray for those of you that are hurting. I pray for time to mend the family during this trial and suffering. God bless you and know that 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." (Revelation 21:4 NIV)##imported-begin##Deirdre Hunt##imported-end##

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September 09, 2012 at 11:02 PM



“ Rita, Bob and family, our hearts are broken with you! We just found out about your precious Katy minutes ago. Although there are no words we could possibly express that will ease your pain, know that we understand your hurt like only the family who has suffered the lose of a child can. You have begun a journey that no family should ever have to experience. We hope you feel the prayers from those of us who love you and the arms of God carrying you!!!

*Joel, Marie and Ali*

*Fran and Dub*

*(always remembering Josh)###imported-begin##Joel, Marie and Ali Pritchett###imported-end##*

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September 09, 2012 at 09:03 PM



“ YOU WERE A BLESSING TO EVERYONE THAT CROSSED YOUR PATH! I FELT SO HONORED TO BECOME YOUR FRIEND. TO THE JAMES FAMILY MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY!###imported-begin##THE BEARDEN&THE KING FAMILY###imported-end##

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September 09, 2012 at 06:52 PM



“ No words can express how sorry I am for your loss, just as no words can express your grief. I am sorry. It will be difficult, but how lucky you are to have had such a beautiful soul in your lives--even if it was so brief.###imported-begin##Debbie Kocher###imported-end##

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September 09, 2012 at 10:40 AM



“ Love is a wonder of many splendors, so too is grief.  
How can our hearts, minds, & souls be so filled with the radiance of love, yet be rent with the darkness of our grief?  
How can our spirits be numb, yet filled with such anguish?  
How can we be angry with our God? He gave us this precious, beautiful, gifted young woman who shared so much of His love with so many.  
She was taken from us too quickly.  
Bob, James, Jacky, Jimmy, Uncle Bob and Aunt Jacky along with all the James clan: As the days pass the gift of her life will be a treasured balm to your heart, spirit, and soul. And you will speak of her daily with such love and joy that you will feel her presence with you always.  
Know that even at this distance you are in our prayers, in our hearts, and in our embrace as our tears and grief join yours.  
God Bless Katie and may he comfort us all. With love Cyndy & Joe###imported-begin##Cyndy & Joe Murphy###imported-end##

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September 09, 2012 at 12:01 AM



“ Bob, Rita, Bobby, Jackie & Jimmy, we send you our deepest sympathy and please know that we continue to pray for you. Katy was a remarkable young lady and she will be missed and remembered by many, many people. May she rest in piece and God bless your family.###imported-begin##Butch Davenport & Family###imported-end##

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September 08, 2012 at 11:32 PM



“ Katy you will be missed dearly.  
To Bob, Rita, Bobby, Jackie, and Jimmy our thoughts and prayers  
are with you now and for the times to come.##imported-  
begin##Carol Shockley and Family##imported-end##

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September 08, 2012 at 10:19 PM



“ Jim , Judy, Rita, and Family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Love, Bob and Debra Campbell##imported-begin##Bob and Debra  
Campbell##imported-end##

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September 08, 2012 at 10:16 PM



“ Katy,  
You will be loved and missed but will remain forever in our  
hearts.##imported-begin##Richard, Celeste and Haley  
Brummett##imported-end##

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September 08, 2012 at 07:36 PM



“ Rita and family,  
  
Our thoughts go out to you during this difficult time. Please know  
you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Myron  
Paris##imported-end##

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September 08, 2012 at 05:23 PM