



Reilynn Mary Mentz

March 28, 2007 - February 5, 2020

Miss Reilynn "Rei" Mary Mentz, 12, of Raleigh, NC passed away on February 5, 2020. She was the daughter of Erin and Joe Mentz. Reilynn was born on March 28, 2007 in Durham, NC. She attended Wake Forest Middle School and dreamed of one day becoming a veterinarian.

Reilynn enjoyed: music and arts, all animals, the ocean, swimming, amusement parks, Steelers football, roller-blading, and laughing. Reilynn loved all of her family and friends, and in return she was immediately loved by everyone who came into contact with her.

Reilynn considered herself shy, but was always the first person to start a conversation with anyone, and she had the ability to make everyone laugh without even trying to.

A funeral service will be held at Renaissance Funeral Home in Raleigh on Saturday, February 15, 2020 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. There will also be a Visitation and Viewing for Reilynn immediately prior to the funeral service from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Events

FEB **Viewing and Visitation** 01:00PM - 03:00PM

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Renaissance Funeral Home and Cremation
7615 Six Forks Rd, Raleigh, NC, US, 27615

FEB **Funeral Service** 03:00PM

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Comments



“ So very Sorry for your loss, I remember her spunky and sweet personality. I will be praying for you.



Maggie Corralejo - February 16 at 09:56 PM



“ So sorry to hear about this. Condolences to Joe and Erin! Rei was such a sweetheart and I'm glad I had the chance to meet her. Sending prayers and love.



Emily Owens - February 16 at 03:17 PM



“ It's been years since I've seen her, or Joe for that matter. But when I worked with him at the poyner place Applebee's, taking care of Reilynn after her martial arts classes was some of the best highlights of my time there. This is devastating news, and my heart goes out to the entire family.

Brittany Atwell - February 16 at 12:57 PM



“ I am so so sorry for your loss. You all are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time!

Jennifer Merlin - February 16 at 12:02 PM



“ Family and friends- thank you all so very much for making today so special. It means everything to Erin and I to see how many lives Reilynn was able to touch in her short amount of time. May we remember her always not just as our family member or friend, but as the angel that God let us borrow. We love you all. Joe and Erin

Dad & Mom - February 15 at 11:14 PM



“ Reilynn was pure LOVE. I cannot even express how much I am going miss her. I love you sooo much Rei. A Beautiful ray of light has been extinguished from our lives.

Nancy Marinone - February 15 at 11:10 AM



“ Rei's sweet inquisitive nature will always bring a smile. I am so glad I had the opportunity to experience knowing her.

Kathy Boucher - February 15 at 09:47 AM



“ Reilynn- you'll always be my valentine. Happy Valentines Day sweetheart

Dad - February 14 at 11:22 PM



“ Reilynn, I will forever love and miss you. From the moment you were born and I first held you, we had such a special connection. My precious little girl. You taught me many things, but most of all, you taught me how to be a better person. You always stood up for what was right, fought for what you believed, and were never afraid to take a chance. I will continue to try my best to live my life like that, to make you proud, just like I always was of you. I love you so very much and will carry you in my heart forever.

Kristy Gajowiak - February 14 at 08:59 PM



“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



mom - February 14 at 04:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Reilynn Mary Mentz.



February 14 at 11:10 AM



“ Words cannot express the sadness I feel for your loss. If there is anything we can do to help in any way, please let us know.



Jamie Mangum - February 13 at 06:21 PM



“ Michelle Stevens lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



Michelle Stevens - February 13 at 04:51 PM



“ Kristy Gajowiak lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



Kristy Gajowiak - February 13 at 04:12 PM



“ WFMS Cafeteria Staff lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



WFMS Cafeteria Staff - February 13 at 02:35 PM



“ Wake Forest Middle School Cafeteria Staf lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



Wake Forest Middle School Cafeteria Staf - February 13 at 02:31 PM



“ To my dear niece, you will be greatly missed. I remember when you were 3 months old and I would stay with you all summer long and babysitting you. You were the cutest little baby and you so sweet. I want to remember you just like that. I hope we meet again. I love you very much. Love Auntie Masha.

Masha Mentz - February 13 at 01:55 PM



“ My heart goes out to the Mentz family during this very difficult time. May GOD, and the loving memories of Reilynn help you to find peace

Glen Barganier - February 13 at 10:48 AM



“ Glen Barganier lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



Glen Barganier - February 13 at 10:44 AM



“ Gammas Princess. I am going to miss you so much, but know someday I will be with you again. You brought so much joy, love and laughter into our lives each and every day. I love you my Angel.



Gamma - February 12 at 11:55 PM



“ So sorry for the loss of your daughter! She was a beautiful girl

Kylie Boney - February 12 at 06:11 PM



“ Maureen, Tom, Kerith, Noel, Colleen, Veronica & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Reilynn Mary Mentz.





“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Reilynn Mary Mentz.



February 12 at 11:47 AM



“ Our sweet girl, you are in our hearts and we always will keep our memories of the great times we had with you!
We remember how cute you were when Masha babysat you, and you always was a smiling girl. You will lift your two arms, like an angel will lift them for a flight, and we called you our Little Angel.
We remember how curious you were learning new things and loving every butterfly around you. We remember how good you were in Karate and was rewarded with many Belts. We remember how brave you were watching scare movies and running for many turns on the highest roller coaster in an amusement park. We remember how much you loved swimming in the ocean and didn't have any fears of going into deep water. We remember how you and the boys walked around the campground and and how you were running a marathon with your mom. You kept us smiling and you were full of surprises. Our hearts are full of sadness and pain of losing you, but we always will have you with us. You are in our memories and some day our souls will be together. We deeply miss you and love you a lot.
Grandma Valya and Papa

Valya Mentz - February 12 at 11:28 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Reilynn Mary Mentz.



February 12 at 09:08 AM



“ Though we will always miss you as well as the joy you always brought into our lives, please know that you will always be in our thoughts and in our hearts. Valya and I love you so much.
Grandpa and Valya

Joe Mentz - February 12 at 08:09 AM



“ Judy Mentz lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



judy Mentz - February 11 at 11:40 PM



“ To my beautiful niece Rei, you were loving, compassionate and a free spirit. The world was a better place just having you in it. Your smile could brighten up a room. You taught us the true meaning of courage. May God hold you close and surround you with his angels. You will forever have a special place in my heart and I will love you forever.
Aunt Judy

judy Mentz - February 11 at 11:27 PM



“ Rei- you were a miracle from day 1. Your mom and I thought we would never be able to have a child. Then God blessed us with the miracle of you. You showed us what true love is. Thank you. For 110 days you also showed us what true courage is and what it's like to fight for something. Thank you. Everything I see, everything I do reminds me of you. That's because we once saw it and did it together. Thank you. I hope you can see this today, what everyone is saying about you. In your short life, you were able to touch the hearts of soo many people. One day we will all get to see you again. Your mom and I will continue to live our lives still knowing that you are a part of it, but we will not be afraid on the day we get to be with you again. We love you Reilynn. Thank you for the miracle of you!

Dad and Mom - February 11 at 09:35 PM



“ Dearest Joe and Erin

I just found out bout Rei

I am so truly sorry for your loss. She was such a sweet and free spirit. Have been thinking of your whole family for awhile now and hoping to see you soon. I do not have words to express what I feel for you. I love you both as I do Rei. Sue

Sue M Smith - February 16 at 12:50 PM



“ Joe I'm so sorry to hear of this news! Keeping prayers for you and your family!!

kellie Cook - February 16 at 01:49 PM



“ She is my beloved granddaughter. We volunteered at the SPCA in the summertime and spent other quality time together. I really miss her and will always be her Gramma Mo.



Mary Flaherty - February 11 at 08:55 PM



“ Sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter.
Nichole

Nichole Arnold-Minkley - February 11 at 08:08 PM



“ I remember REI always caring for and concerned about all the dogs and cats. REI had a wonderful soul. Always playing and always happy. I miss you granddaughter. All my love, Grandpa George.

George Ferris - February 11 at 07:48 PM



“ No parent should ever lose a child. Praying for God's comfort and strength for Reilynn's family. May her smile and happy memories be in your hearts forever.
Rob and Diane Barganier

Robert and Diane Barganier - February 11 at 06:28 PM



“ Diane Barganier lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



Diane Barganier - February 11 at 06:22 PM



“ My heart goes out to the Mentz family during this very difficult time. May the memories of Rei help you find peace. She will be missed.

Michelle Rothfeld; teacher at WFMS

Michelle Rothfeld - February 11 at 04:39 PM



“ Thinking of you all during this time. Our hearts are broken with you.
Kimberly Jackson

Kimberly Jackson - February 11 at 02:40 PM



“ Thanks for the time you had with us, especially Troy. We will really miss you, but we know that you are in Heaven. Sweet dreams little angel!! Meatta and Troy.

Meatta Dennis - February 11 at 07:26 PM



“ Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. I enjoyed having Reilynn in class and getting to know her. She was a hard worker, always so polite and had such a bright spirit. Her presence will truly be missed.

Heather Zajac, teacher at WFMS

Heather Zajac - February 11 at 02:33 PM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Renaissance Funeral Home - February 11 at 12:59 PM



“ Nancy Greene lit a candle in memory of Reilynn Mary Mentz



nancy greene - February 11 at 07:27 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Reilynn Mary Mentz.



February 10 at 10:28 PM



“ May Reilynn leave memories of love that will never be forgotten. My deepest sympathies. Kelly

Kelly aston - February 10 at 10:26 AM