



Heather M. Shepherd

September 18, 1981 - January 10, 2019

Albany – Heather M. Shepherd, 37, entered Eternal Life Thursday, January 10, 2019. Born in Albany, Heather was the beautiful and cherished daughter of Robert J. and Karin L. Articola Shepherd. Heather was the beloved niece of Sandra J. Preston (George M.) and Thomas J. Articola (Cheryl); dear cousin of Sandra L. Preston Monestere (Charles) and Christy L. Articola; devoted aunt and God Mother of Matthew C. Monestere.

Heather was a graduate of the Academy of the Holy Names. She received a B.A. in Psychology and graduated cum laude from Siena College where she was awarded an academic Presidential Scholarship. She also graduated from Union College (Clarkson) Graduate School where she received an MBA degree in healthcare management. Throughout the years Heather held positions with the Capital Care Medical Group, St. Peter's Health Partners and recently was pursuing a nursing degree. Her family was proud of her academic achievements.

She was a compassionate, giving person who was always willing to help those in need of emotional support and encouragement. Her family was very important and were always there for her no matter what the need. She adored her godson, Matthew, welcoming him into the world with endless love and

treasures of all kind. They enjoyed special times together swimming, playing games, and just having fun.

Heather filled a room with her warm, beautiful smile, sky blue eyes, and golden blonde hair. She always knew what to say to make others laugh. Above all and most important Heather loved her family and pets. At family gatherings her homemade apple pie, mac & cheese, and chicken parm were quickly devoured. Her culinary skills will be missed.

Throughout her life Heather had a special place in her heart for all animals. She rescued several cats and dogs and showered them with attention, care, and love. Marschetto, Cleo, Versace, and Jameson enjoy a fantastic life thanks to Heather. She was a passionate animal rights advocate and supported the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society, Free to Be Me Rescue, and the Companion Animal Placement Program.

She had a special devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. She treasured her “Jesus, I trust You” rosary.

Heather was talented in many ways. She was an amateur photographer but her photos proved otherwise. Flowers, landscapes, and nature were her favorite subjects to photograph. She had an incredible sense of fashion and home décor. She knew how to put an outfit together like no other and her decorating skills rivaled the best. Her other hobbies included reading, swimming, watching the Food Network, HGTV, the Golden Girls marathon, traveling, playing the piano, and taking nature walks in search of bald eagles. She was extremely gifted with computer skills and shared her talent with

others. If she saw a rainbow, especially a double rainbow, it was a special moment for her.

Our treasured Heather has now joined the angels and her beloved relatives, especially “Grandma Guchie” and Uncle Charlie Karins who loved her so much when they were on earth. She now lives with them in the presence of our loving God for eternity. Until we meet again, Heather, spread your wings and fly with the angels. We will love you forever. You will always be in our hearts.

Funeral services Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 9:00 am at the Parish of Mater Christi (formerly St. Catherine of Siena) 40 Hopewell St. Albany, NY where her Funeral Mass will be celebrated. The Rite of Committal will be held at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery immediately following the Funeral Mass. There will be no public visitation hours.

To leave a message for the family, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Service

JAN 19. 9:00 AM (ET)

Parish of Mater Christi
40 Hopewell Street (Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Way)
Albany, NY 12208

Tribute Wall

KA

“ *My Beautiful Heather!*


Another Mother's Day and I miss and love you so much. I smile through all the tears and can't wait to be with you forever. You will always be my wonderful cherished Heather. I feel your love every second of every day and can hear you say from heaven "Love You Mom." I know you hear me say "Love You Heather!" Keep watching over Dad and me.

Your loving and proud Mom forever and always

Karin - May 10 at 08:53 AM

KA

“ *Happy Easter to our beautiful Heather! Today we remember all the wonderful celebrations, especially the Easter buffet at O'Toole's- those memories we cherish forever. We know today you celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus in the most perfect place and you are surrounded by our loved ones and all "the boys." What absolute joy and happiness! We know you're watching over Dad and me and Matthew and family each day and we always feel your love and guidance. We'll never forget you Heather and can't wait to be with you again.*



*All our love forever,
Mom and Dad*

Karin - April 05 at 09:55 AM

KA

“ *Dearest Heather,
Seven really long years and Heather it seems just yesterday that we hugged you, heard you laugh and felt your love. Those 37 years went by so fast! Although we are brokenhearted every second of every day, we find comfort and peace in all the memories we hold in our hearts. On this anniversary sweetheart we remember through all the tears(and there are so many) that God welcomed you home with the most beautiful Crown of Glory to be with Him and our loved ones forever. We love you so much and miss you forever and can't wait for all of us to be together again. Rest beautiful Angel in eternal peace in the loving arms of Jesus!!*

*Our precious love forever,
Mom and Dad*

Karin - January 10 at 08:57 AM

AS

“ *Our Dear Sweet Heather,
It has been 7 years and we know our dear loved ones and all of our little boys have their arms wrapped around you today and every day. We miss you and have you in our hearts today and every day. Love you forever,
Aunt Sandy, your little Matthew, Sandy Lee, and Charles*

Aunt Sandy - January 10 at 08:48 AM

KA

“ *Dearest Heather,
To our beautiful Angel Heather. It's Christmas again...and you're not here again. We remember each Christmas(your favorite holiday) with tears and smiles and how you spent weeks decorating our house. But we find peace and comfort knowing you're spending this holy day with Jesus in Paradise with our loved ones and all "the boys." The happy memories we celebrated for 37 years live in our minds and heart forever.*

*We miss you and love you this Christmas and every day. When we are together again, every Christmas will be perfect for eternity.
Our love to you forever sweetheart,
Mom and Dad*

Karin - December 25, 2025 at 10:42 AM

AS

“ *Dear Heather,
It's Christmas Eve and we are preparing for another Christmas without the joy, laughter, and happiness you always shared with all of us. We miss you so much but see you in every part of all the things that make Christmas so beautiful. We especially see you so near the baby Jesus on His special day. We send all our love to you, our shining star so far away yet always so near to us.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy, Sandy, your little Matthew, and Charles*

Aunt Sandy - December 24, 2025 at 08:32 PM

KA

“ Dearest Heather, Thinking of you on this special day - we have never forgotten!!
All our love forever,
Mom and Dad



Karin - December 04, 2025 at 09:02 AM

KA

“ Dearest Heather,
Happy 44th Birthday to our beautiful daughter! Today we're remembering all the wonderful birthdays we celebrated and wish so much that you were here with us right now. You will always be the light of our life - your love, laughter, kindness, thoughtfulness, everything - in our hearts forever. So on this birthday, we send you extra loving hugs and kisses and Heather, know that you will NEVER EVER be forgotten! Rest in peace in the loving arms of Jesus.
All our love forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin - September 18, 2025 at 09:09 AM

SA

“ Dear Heather,
Wishing Happy Birthday to my dear niece. I always remember all the wonderful, fun times we had together. I know God is holding you in His arms full of love.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy, Sandy, Charles, and your little godson, Matthew

Sandy - September 17, 2025 at 08:38 AM

KA

“ Dearest Heather,

You already know that your beautiful and handsome Marschetto, aka Meatball, Meaty, Marsh has crossed the Rainbow Bridge to be with you forever. We are deeply saddened but we know that you, Versace, Jameson, Cuddles, and Cleo, Jinx, Vinnie, Sam and George were most certainly on that bridge welcoming him with hugs and kisses. He was the BEST boy - so much more than a cat! Although he was deaf, he is perfect to us in every way but you always knew that when you rescued and chose him many years ago.

He will always be our "big guy" - always there for all our losses and challenges these past few years. He greeted us in the early morning hours and all throughout each day - purring and meowing that brought smiles to our faces and joy to our hearts. But Heather he was definitely your little boy and you just loaned him to us - thank you sweetheart for sharing him with us! We love and miss you and him forever and can't wait to be with you and all "the boys" forever in paradise!!

*All our love to you Heather and to each of our "little boys",
Mom and Dad*

Karin - August 27, 2025 at 09:08 AM

KA

“ *Our Dearest Heather,
Yesterday was the 4th of July and when we watched the fireworks celebrations on tv, we remembered how much you loved fireworks and the fun we always had watching them together from different vantage points. And afterwards we always went to Friendly's or Stewarts for ice cream. Such wonderful memories - among the countless memories we treasure every day!*

Sweetheart, we hope you had a beautiful Fourth from the most perfect vantage spot...with all your fur babies and loved ones! We miss you and love you more and more each day and it's all of these special memories that help us on our journey to being with you forever someday.

*All our love to you forever,
Mom and Dad*

Karin - July 05, 2025 at 01:48 PM

KA

“ *Dearest Heather,
It's your 6th anniversary and this is our wish sweetheart:*

*May choirs of angels surround you with joyous music and song;
May our loved ones embrace you with love and laughter;
May you guide and pray for us as we continue our journey;
May you rest in eternal peace in the loving arms of Jesus!!*

*Until we are all together again...
We love you and miss you every minute of every day...forever!
You will never be forgotten!*

*All our love to you always,
Mom and Dad*

Karin - January 10, 2025 at 07:42 AM

KA

“ Dearest Heather,
Merry Christmas in Heaven to our beautiful Angel daughter! We love and miss you every day but especially today. You made each Christmas very special and these cherished memories live in our hearts forever. When we are all together again -- you sweet Heather and "the boys" and our loved ones -- every Christmas will be joyful and beautiful and perfect for eternity!!
All our love to you forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin - December 25, 2024 at 09:42 AM

KA

“ Dearest Heather,
Happy 43rd Birthday to our beautiful Heather! We miss and love you more and more every day. You're always in our hearts and thoughts and we can't wait to be with you again - no sorrow, sickness, sadness - only joy, happiness, and perfect love. This Heather is our only wish and dream! So until we meet again, we're sending all our love. May God bless you with His love and peace forever.
Love you sweetheart,
Mom and Dad

Karin - September 18, 2024 at 12:32 PM

SA

“ Dear Heather,
Happy Birthday. I know you are in the happiest place celebrating with all our loved ones who love you so much. Always know that we miss you and love you every day. We'll all be together again.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy, Sandy, Charles, and your dear Matthew

Sandy - September 18, 2024 at 08:22 AM

KA

“ Dearest Heather,
It's Mother's Day again and you know how much I miss you! Every beautiful card and gift, every thoughtful message, the many hugs and laughs-- all treasured memories forever in my heart! Heather, I love you so much today, tomorrow, every day!!
Your proud and loving Mom forever

Karin - May 12, 2024 at 12:29 PM

KA

“ Our Dearest Heather,
It's been 5 long years and we are forever heartbroken. When we look at the bright stars in the heavens, we feel your love shine through and it fills our hearts with much peace and joy. Thank you sweetheart for this precious gift of unending love! We miss you so much and love you beyond words!!
May our Heavenly Father hold you in His loving arms eternally, as we keep you in our loving hearts until we are together again.
Love forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin - January 10, 2024 at 12:53 PM

SA

“ Dear Heather,
Five long years have passed and we miss you and love you more and more each day. We know you are with our dear loved ones in a beautiful happy place.
The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lotd turn His face toward you
And give you peace.
Until we meet again,
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy, Sandy Lee, Charles, and your dear godson Matthew

Sandy - January 10, 2024 at 07:28 AM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
Merry Christmas in Heaven Sweetheart! Our gifts now are treasured memories of 37 Christmases you made special and wonderful. We can only imagine what it's like celebrating this day in Paradise with the Holy Family, our dear loved ones and all our little fur babies but someday we will all spend Christmas together again!! We miss you and love you so much each and every day - Merry Christmas to YOU our beautiful angel Heather!
Love forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin Shepherd - December 25, 2023 at 12:41 PM



“ Heather M. Shepherd

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

SA

“ Dear Heather,
Happy 42nd birthday to you in the most beautiful place we can only dream about. But we know you are there surrounded by the perfect love of our dearest loved ones who are with you. We miss you and will love you forever.

Aunt Sandy, Sandy, your dear little Matthew, and Charles

Sandy - September 18, 2023 at 07:59 PM

RS

“ Dear Heather,
Happy 42nd Birthday! I love you and miss you every day but especially today. I miss watching football games with you, talking about cars and enjoying your great homemade meals. Such wonderful times! Wish you were here. I know you're celebrating in Heaven with "the boys" so I'm sending hugs to all of you.

A Happy Happy Birthday to you Heather! You're my best friend now and forever!! I hope you know how much I love and miss you!

*Love forever,
Dad*

Robert J. Shepherd - September 18, 2023 at 06:10 PM

KS

“ *Our Dearest Heather,
Happy 42nd Birthday in Heaven Sweetheart!!! Can't believe it's the
5th one without you! Wish you were celebrating here with us right
now. We miss your smile and laughter and the joy you brought into
our lives - we love you so much. You're in our every thought, every
memory and we cherish and treasure each one! We are so blessed
that God chose us to be your Mom and Dad!!*

*So "Princess" on this special day, heartbroken as we are, we smile
through the tears, send you lots of hugs and kisses, and join the
choirs of angels, our loved ones and fur babies with you in Heaven
singing "Happy Birthday Dear Heather!" Our Beautiful Daughter
Heather-- You Are Eternally Loved!!*

*Love forever,
Mom and Dad*

Karin Shepherd - September 18, 2023 at 12:15 PM

KS

“ *My Sweet Heather,
It's Mother's Day and I'm missing you very much. You'll always be
my beautiful daughter, my cherished Heather. I love you so much!*

Your proud and loving Mom forever

Karin Shepherd - May 14, 2023 at 12:11 PM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
Thinking about every Easter we celebrated as a family and how happy we were. Miss you so much. Happy Easter Sweetheart with all of our love!

Love forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin Shepherd - April 09, 2023 at 10:38 AM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
It's been 4 long years but in many ways it seems just like yesterday. You are forever in our hearts, and all of the wonderful memories bring us lots of joy and countless smiles every day. Oh how we yearn to be with you someday -- to hug you and hear your laughter, no more tears or sadness, just pure joy and happiness forever!! All of our dear loved ones together with God eternally.

Heather, you are our special Guardian Angel always looking over us, praying for us and sending us so much love. You know how often we think and talk about you every day, and how YOU are the most beautiful gift the Lord gave us. We love you and miss you every moment, every day, always.

Love forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin & Robert Shepherd - January 10, 2023 at 10:35 AM

SP

“ Dear Heather,
Four years have passed and we think about you and miss you every day. We know you are with all of our beloved family who surround you with their love. God bless you always with His perfect love.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy, Sandy Lee, Charles, and Matthew

Sandra Preston - January 10, 2023 at 09:09 AM

SP

“ Dear Heather,
I'm ending this Christmas Day by sending hugs and love to you. Remember all those wonderful Christmases we shared especially the one where you brought that Nice not Naughty shirt to baby Matthew? It's frozen in my memory forever as are you.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy

Sandra Preston - December 25, 2022 at 09:54 PM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
Merry Christmas in Heaven to our cherished beautiful daughter. We know how you loved Christmas and how you made it memorable and special for everyone. Now you are an angel and spend Christmas with Jesus, our dear loved ones and our fur babies - Versace, Cleo, Cuddles and little Jameson. Sweetheart we love you and miss you very much - more than anyone can imagine! You live in our hearts and thoughts every day and you will never be forgotten.

Love forever,
Mom and Dad

Karin Shepherd - December 25, 2022 at 10:21 AM

SP

“ Dear Heather,
You already know another angel left us today to join you and all our dear loved ones who are with you. Jameson was born with little fluffy angel wings and every day of his life with us he was the perfect angel. But angels aren't born to be with us forever. God calls them by name as He called you and our dear loved ones and they return to Him and take a huge part of our hearts with them. What a welcome he must have received. We miss each of you every day and We love each of you forever.
Aunt Sandy

Sandra Preston - September 22, 2022 at 08:30 PM

KS

What a beautiful loving tribute to our little sweet Jameson. You are so right - he was the perfect angel and he gave us so much perfect love. Our little boy with the fluffy angel wings is safe with Heather and George and his fur baby friends in Paradise. Until we see each of you again, we send you all of our love.

Karin Shepherd - September 23, 2022 at 06:34 AM

KS

“ Sweet Heather, we know you were on the Rainbow Bridge today when our little Jameson crossed. We know you were with Versace, Cleo and Cuddles and George was with Vinnie, Sam and Jinx. We know you and George greeted him with hugs and lots of love. Take care of each other until we are all together again and watch over us every day.



Love all of you forever,
Mom & Dad

Karin Shepherd - September 22, 2022 at 06:56 PM

RS

“ Happy Birthday my precious Heather! Wish you were here. I miss you and love you forever. You're my best friend now and always.

Your Loving Dad, Marschetto and Jameson

Robert Shepherd - September 18, 2022 at 04:19 PM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
Happy 41st Heavenly Birthday! We miss you so much as we remember all your wonderful birthdays. You're always with us -- we often hear the soft flutter of your Angel wings and you whispering "Love You Mom and Daddy" -- always, always so close.



So today Heather we smile and celebrate your special day, knowing that you watch over us from near and far. We know you are celebrating with little Versace, Cleo and Cuddles, with all our loved ones with you today, and with Jesus, Our Blessed Mother, and all the saints and angels.

We send you a loving gift of a gentle dove with a millions hugs and kisses and ALL of our love. Happy Birthday Sweetheart!

*All of our love forever,
Mom, Daddy and "the boys"*

Karin Shepherd - September 18, 2022 at 09:34 AM

SP

“ Happy 41st heavenly birthday my dear Heather. May all our loved ones who are with you and choirs of angels join to surround you with their love and with our love. We miss you and will love you always.

Love,
Aunt Sandy, Sandy Lee, Charles, and your dear Matthew

Sandy Preston - September 18, 2022 at 09:01 AM

KS

“ My Sweet Heather - Love you and miss you today and forever!

Your Loving Mom



Karin Shepherd - June 07, 2022 at 11:33 AM

KS

“ My Dearest Heather,
I miss you so much but ever so much on this Mother's Day. You are forever my beautiful wonderful daughter, and I love you more than words can say. I know you hear me often say "Love You Heather" just as I can hear you say "Love You Mom." Oh how I miss your hugs and kisses and laughter and just being with you! Thank you my angel for making me the happiest and proudest Mom!

Love you always and forever,
Mom



Karin Shepherd - May 08, 2022 at 10:42 AM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
We send "heart" hugs and kisses to you our beautiful Heather. A candle with all of our love burns forever in our hearts. It never flickers. It never wanes. We miss you and love you every second of every day. Happy Easter Sweetheart!



Love forever,
Mom, Daddy and "the boys"

Karin Shepherd - April 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM

RS

“ Dear Heather,
We miss you and all of the love you gave us. You will always be in our thoughts, and you live in our hearts forever. We love you for being the best daughter anyone could wish for. You'll ALWAYS be "Daddy's Little Girl" and very best friend. Sending you lots of hugs and kisses on this special day.

All our love now and forever,
Daddy, Mom and "The Boys"

Robert J. Shepherd - January 10, 2022 at 12:54 PM

RS

“ Robert Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Heather M. Shepherd



Robert Shepherd - January 10, 2022 at 11:25 AM

KS

“ *Our Dearest Heather,
It's been three years since God called you home and although we are forever brokenhearted, we find comfort knowing your incredible joy as you entered into God's presence for eternity. Sweet Heather, you are the most special gift from God, and you have given us endless treasured memories which we hold close to our hearts. You are with us every day -- your beautiful smiles, contagious laughter, gentle hugs -- always with us, wherever we go, whatever we do.*

Thank you for being our wonderful Heather and for giving us so much love. Our love for you is eternal!! Take good care of little Versace and sweet Cleo and keep watching over us. We miss you and love you forever and until we are together again...

*All of our love forever and ever,
Mom and Daddy and "the boys"*

Karin Shepherd - January 10, 2022 at 10:55 AM

SP

“ *Heather,
The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make His face shine upon you,,
And be gracious to you, always.*

*It has been three long years ago today.
We miss you every day
And we will love you forever
Our sweet Heather.*

*Love forever,
Aunt & Godmother Sandy, Sandy Lee, Charles, and your dear
godson, Matthew*

Sandra Preston - January 10, 2022 at 10:22 AM

KS

“ *Karin Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Heather M. Shepherd*



Karin Shepherd - January 10, 2022 at 09:55 AM

RS

“ *Robert Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Heather M. Shepherd*



Robert Shepherd - December 25, 2021 at 09:57 AM

KS

“ Dearest Sweet Heather,
It's Christmas! We know you and little Versace are spending Christmas with Jesus again this year but sweetheart you are with us every second this Christmas Day. We hear the Christmas music, we smell the delicious homemade meal you prepare, and we feel all the love as we open gifts and read the loving messages on your beautiful cards. And Heather we see your beautiful smile and hear your laughter and feel all your hugs and kisses that make every Christmas magical and memorable. Oh sweet Heather, we miss you so much and we love, love, love you this Christmas and every day! YOU are the GREATEST GIFT we have ever received!! Sweet Angel rest in Heavenly peace with Baby Jesus. Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, Versace, Cuddles, and all of our loved ones and furbabies who are with you in Heaven. Merry Christmas Princess!

*All Of Our Love Forever And Ever,
Mom, Daddy, and "The Boys"*

Karin Shepherd - December 25, 2021 at 09:35 AM

KS

“ Karin Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Heather M. Shepherd



Karin Shepherd - December 25, 2021 at 07:30 AM

RS

“ Robert Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Heather M. Shepherd



Robert Shepherd - November 02, 2021 at 03:58 PM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
Today is Halloween and it has always been one of your favorite holidays. You have a great talent for decorating and every year you've decorated our house for Halloween like no other. And all of the costumes you have created -- one-of-a-kind and absolutely amazing!! Sweetheart we miss you so much every day and especially on this day. We love you ever so much. Sending lots of Halloween hugs and kisses to you our cherished Heather and to Versace as well.
Love you forever,
Mom, Daddy, Cleo, Marschetto, Jameson

Karin Shepherd - October 31, 2021 at 11:36 AM

RS

“ Robert Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Heather M. Shepherd



Robert Shepherd - September 18, 2021 at 09:09 AM

RS

“ Dearest Heather,
Happy 40th Birthday Princess! I love you more than you'll ever know! I wish that you were here, and I can hardly wait to be with you in Heaven. We are and always will be best friends!!
All my love now and forever,
Dad

Robert Shepherd - September 18, 2021 at 09:08 AM

KS

“ Karin Shepherd lit a candle in memory of
Heather M. Shepherd



Karin Shepherd - September 18, 2021 at 09:01 AM

KS

“ Dearest Heather,
Happy 40th birthday to our Beautiful Heather! On this special day we miss you and love you more than you could ever imagine -- EVERY minute of EVERY day. Heather, you are the greatest gift God ever gave us. We cherish all the wonderful memories of each birthday, and we miss so very much all of your smiles, your hugs and kisses, your laughter, your sense of humor, and all the funny things you said and did. Now you're our Guardian Angel watching over us from heaven until we are together again. Know sweet Heather that you are loved so so much and missed by so many. Our love for you is FOREVER! Sending you birthday hugs & kisses.
Happy Birthday With All Of Our Love Always,
Mom, Daddy and the boys

Karin Shepherd - September 18, 2021 at 09:00 AM

SP

“ *Heather,
Happy 40th birthday to my niece and goddaughter. I miss you and
will love you forever. Special love on this special day.
Love always,
Aunt Sandy*

Sandy Preston - September 18, 2021 at 08:27 AM

KS

“ *Dearest Heather,
Today is Mother's Day and you Heather have made me the happiest
Mom ever!! I am so proud to have YOU as my cherished daughter. I
miss all your wonderful hugs and kisses and beautiful cards. I miss
our special song "Mommy's Little Angel" and I especially miss
hearing "Love You Mom." I miss everything about you so much, and
I love you with every beat of my heart. You my beautiful Heather
made every Mother's Day the best, and I know today that you are
watching over me in a special way. I can even hear "Love You
Mom" from Heaven. We will be together again sweet Heather!
Love you always and forever,
Your Loving and Proud Mom*

Karin Shepherd - May 09, 2021 at 06:44 AM

KS

“ *Dearest Heather,
Happy Easter in Heaven Precious Angel! We have the most loving wonderful. treasured memories of all the Easters we shared together. We miss you so much and love you with every beat of our hearts. Sending all of our love and lots of hugs and kisses to you and Versace and Cuddles in Heaven. You live in our hearts forever and we know our beautiful Angel is watching over us every day.*

*Happy Easter With All Of Our Love Forever,
Mom and Daddy and Cleo, Marschetto and Jameson*

Karin Shepherd - April 04, 2021 at 08:06 AM

KS

“ *Our Dear Angel Heather,
Two years ago today you went to your Heavenly home to be with Jesus, Our Blessed Mother, the angels and saints, and all of our loved ones. Sweetheart we love you so very much and think about you every minute of every single day. You are the brightest star, the reddest cardinal, the perfect beautiful butterfly - our wonderful Heather! Take care of little Versace and keep watching over us until we are together again for eternity. Know how much we miss you both. We pray you are happy and at peace and we love you more than forever. One day closer...*

*Forever loved and always in our hearts,
Mom and Daddy*

Karin Shepherd - January 10, 2021 at 09:52 AM

SP

“ *Dear Heather,
I miss you and love you. God bless and take good care of you
always.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy.*

Sandy Preston - January 10, 2021 at 08:56 AM

KS

“ *Our Dearest Heather,

Happy 39th birthday in heaven sweetheart! You're our wonderful
daughter, a beautiful angel watching over us every day. We love you
Princess forever and we miss you so much. Please know how much
you are truly loved.*

Love forever and always in our hearts,

Mom & Dad

Karin Shepherd - September 18, 2020 at 07:08 AM

SP

“ *Dear Heather,
Today is your 39th birthday. I miss you every day and think about all
the happy times we had together. We will be together again.*

*Love forever,
Aunt Sandy*

Sandra Preston - September 18, 2020 at 05:59 AM

SP

“ *To my dear niece, Heather,*

It has been a year since you have joined the angels. I miss you and think about you every day. I know your heart is filled with perfect love and joy. We will be together again.

*Love you forever,
Aunt Sandy*

sandy preston - January 23, 2020 at 08:36 PM

KS

“ *Heather, our beautiful angel in Heaven---*

On the anniversary of your 1st year in Heaven January 10th we miss you so much every

day. You are always in our hearts no matter where we are or what we do.

"May the road rise to meet you,

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face,

The rains fall soft upon your fields and,

Until we meet again,

May God hold you in the palm of His hand."

An Irish Blessing

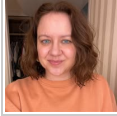
We love you Princess forever and ever and a day and we continue our journey knowing

we will see you again in Heaven.

Forever loved & always in our hearts,

Mom & Dad

Karin Shepherd - January 13, 2020 at 07:49 AM



Hi Mrs. Shepherd, I'm sure you remember me from Holy Names and all those sleepovers. I just wanted you to know I am thinking about Heather today... One of my biggest regrets is that we kind of lost touch. I wish she was still here so I could have a second chance to talk to her again. My heart is breaking for your loss.

- Sarah Tolcser

Sarah Tolcser - January 16, 2020 at 02:20 AM

SP

“ *Heather, our dear niece and beautiful godchild,*

*Let this be our prayer
May God hold you near and dear,
May everything beautiful be with you always,
May smiles and laughter fill your heart with joy,
May those double rainbows line your every path,
And when we meet again
We'll take each other's hand
And we'll walk together in the fields of gold.
Love forever,
Aunt Sandy and Uncle George*

*The Blessing of St. Francis
May the Lord bless you and keep you
May the Lord show His face to you
And have mercy on you
May the Lord smile upon you
And give you His peace.*

*Until we meet again
Love forever,
Your family*

sandra preston - February 11, 2019 at 07:18 PM

KS

Beautiful tribute to our beloved and cherished Heather. This will be our prayer until we meet our angel Heather again, and we are all happy and safe in God's loving arms. Love forever and you are always in our hearts. Mom and Dad

Karin Shepherd - May 13, 2019 at 06:41 AM

KA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Heather was a sweet and kind young lady! I have just today found about about Heather passing and am deeply saddened! I am heather's neighbor and friend and we would sit by the pool for hours and talk and watch for eagles! She will be greatly missed!

Kathleen - January 24, 2019 at 02:27 PM

PS

*“ Dear Bob and Karin
I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter Heather, Bob, I remember you chatting with me in the library about Heather and how proud you were of her. I'm sure you and Karin are heartbroken. My deepest sympathy. With thoughts and prayers.
Patricia Serafino*



Patricia Serafino - January 23, 2019 at 05:18 PM

KC

I am so sorry for your loss. Heather was such a sweet and kind young lady! I have just today found out about Heather's passing and am deeply saddened! I am a neighbor and friend and would sit at the pool for hours and talk! It will not be the same here without her kind heart and and friendly presence! Heather will be greatly missed!

Kathleen Cellery - January 24, 2019 at 02:23 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Heather M. Shepherd.



January 17, 2019 at 03:54 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Heather M. Shepherd.



January 15, 2019 at 05:25 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Heather M. Shepherd.



January 14, 2019 at 03:18 AM

MB

“*Heather, You were such a beautiful person inside and out. This news is so devastating to me. I will miss our conversations and laughs, countless nights watching Golden Girls while we were supposed to be studying for our Siena exams. Your smile lit up the room. Im so sorry we never got to schedule our lunch date. Fly high beautiful angel, you are at peace now. I will miss you terribly. Love, Monica Babie-Buckley xoxo*



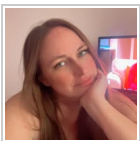
Monica Babie-Buckley - January 14, 2019 at 12:42 AM



“*Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Heather M. Shepherd.*



January 13, 2019 at 07:18 PM



“*My sweet Heather....I cannot believe you are gone. I am so sorry we never got together like we should have. I will always remember and cherish the memories we have together. I will miss you and will always love you to the moon and back. Until we meet again love...I love you!!❤️*

Lana Sitterly - January 13, 2019 at 05:45 PM

DD

Heather I hope you are at peace now fly high angel 🙏 will always remember your beautiful smile

Denise Dunson - January 13, 2019 at 07:19 PM

KB

“ *Our family is devastated by the lost of Heather. We send all our love and support to Karin and Bob.*



Kathleen Bertram - January 13, 2019 at 04:25 PM

SA

“ *Heather,
We haven't spoken in years but there are so many memories I will hold in my heart. I can't believe you're gone. To her parents and family I offer my deepest and sincerest condolences.
Shay Allen*

shay allen - January 13, 2019 at 03:47 PM

SP

“ *To our darling niece and godchild,
May God hold you in His loving arms.
We will miss you and love you forever.*

*Until we meet again,
Our love is with you.*

*Forever,
Aunt Sandy & Uncle George*

Sandra Preston - January 13, 2019 at 03:01 PM

JJ

“ I did not know you but Sister Theresa mentioned you and prayed often for you

jeanne jendrzewski - January 13, 2019 at 12:57 PM

SP

“ Heather you were such a special person and we love you so much. You will always be in our hearts forever and ever.

Love,

Sandy and Charles

Sandy Preston - January 13, 2019 at 09:56 AM

CA

“ You were a bright and beautiful woman and taken from us much too early. You will be missed.

Always, Uncle Tom and Aunt Cheryl

Cheryl Articola - January 13, 2019 at 09:41 AM

DB

“ Karin and Robert I'm so sorry for your loss!!!

Heather you were sooooo beautiful and definitely special in so many ways! I hope your beautiful soul is flying high and in the loving arms of god! I'll never forget the times we had I'll never forget that beautiful smile or them gorgeous blue eyes or the way you looked at me! I love you heather!! Forever in my heart and there won't be a day that your not on my mind or that I don't look up at the sky and say your name!!!! I'll forever miss you sooo much and I'll forever miss seeing your name pop up on my phone and hearing your cute lil voice! I haven't stoppped looking at all of our photos and the videos of you dancing and just listening to your voice! I'm sooo sorry heather!!!! You will forever hold a very special place in my heart!!!! I'll be sending flowers!!! and this all breaks my heart!!!! that I just wish I could see you again!!! So here I sit at work tears rolling down my face reading your obituary I just wish I could take it all back and more I could have done. I really wish I didn't go to work and came to you that night!!!!!! I Love You Heather Megan Shepherd! I hope your at peace and flying high up there and i know you became the most beautiful angel he has up there baby girl!!!!!! 🥹💔💔💔



Dillon Burt - January 12, 2019 at 09:28 PM

C.

“ Karin and Bob: I am so sorry to hear of Heather's passing. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. C. Hettie

C.Hettie - January 11, 2019 at 06:37 PM

MM

*Karin and Bob,
My deepest sympathy on your loss. You have my sincere regrets. I will
keep you both and Heather in my prayers. Marybeth Murphy*

Marybeth Murphy - January 11, 2019 at 08:53 PM

SP

*To our darling niece and godchild,
May God hold you in His loving arms. We will miss you and love you
forever.
Until we meet again,
Our love is with you.*

*Forever,
Aunt Sandy & Uncle George*

Sandra Preston - January 12, 2019 at 03:33 PM

SP

*Heather you were such a special person and we love you so much.
You will always be in our hearts forever and ever.*

*Love
Sandy and Charles*

Sandy Preston - January 12, 2019 at 07:08 PM

SS

*Karin and Bob,
There are no words.....prayers and strength coming your way.
God Bless,
Steve & Ann Smith*

Stephen Smith - January 13, 2019 at 07:13 AM

CA

Heather, I cannot believe this has happened and my deepest condolences to your mom and dad who I know will struggle with sadness over this tragedy always, and to all who loved you like I did. I know that as adults we were not as close as we were as children, but you will always have a place in my memories, thoughts, mind, and heart. We had so many wonderful times together and as family goes, you were the closest thing to a sister I ever had, and I think and hope you felt the same way about me. Who will I reminisce with about our family gatherings and Gooch and Mary and Charlie when I am old? I will still speak to you, though, and I know you will hear me. Our reminiscing will just have to be across dimensions, instead. I am sorry you had many struggles and difficulties and obstacles and I truly wish we had stayed in better touch. I wish I reached out to you more. I wish we had made more of an effort to hang out in adulthood. These things have all passed now, but I will always cherish you, I will always love you, and I am sure you are in heaven with the angels - you are an angel too. Much love to you, Heather, and may fair winds take you smoothly and easily to the other side. I am comforted knowing you are free from suffering now, and are flying high above us all. Until we meet again, my cousin. I love you - rest in peace. Love, Christy

Christy Articola - January 14, 2019 at 10:00 AM

VW

*Dear Karin and Bob,
My kindest thoughts and prayers at this sad time.
Keep all the sweet memories you must have close to your heart.*

Kindest thoughts,

Ginny Woodard

Virginia Woodard - January 14, 2019 at 01:13 PM

MM

*Dear Karin,
My heartfelt sympathies to you and your family on the loss of your daughter. I will keep you in my prayers. May you find comfort in knowing people care and pray for you at this difficult time.*

Maureen Mickel - January 14, 2019 at 04:33 PM

MW


*Dear Karin and Bob
My thoughts and prayers are with you through this most difficult time.
May you find comfort in sweet memories and friends who care
Fondly, Mary Ellen White*

Mary Ellen White - January 15, 2019 at 12:41 PM

CC

*Dear Karin and Bob
I am so sorry for your loss of your daughter Heather. I know how hard it is to deal with losing a husband but I know it would be earth shattering to lose a child. You will always have those beautiful memories to console you over the years to come. My thoughts and prayers go out to you both Hugs!
Carol Crocco*

carol Crocco - January 15, 2019 at 02:33 PM


Kallyne
Jeffries

*Family and Friends,
I am sorry for everyone's lose of such an amazing person. 2 phone calls that replay over and over one late in the night asking for a friend and the next morning hearing of a passing of a friend. I am sorry you are missed and loved by so many. Until we meet again beautiful*

Kallyne Jeffries - January 16, 2019 at 09:09 AM

JF

Dear Karen and Bob,

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time. I remember Heather so well as one of her teachers at AHN middle school. She was a special young woman. I truly understand your pain as I lost my daughter Erin two years ago. There are really no words at this time. I hope the support love and prayers from family and friends be a comfort to you both.

*Fondly
Judy Flannery*

Judy Flannery - January 17, 2019 at 09:05 AM

MD

Dear Karin and Bob,

So sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter Heather. Your love for your daughter will give you the strength you need now and the peace you need going forward.

Neil Dugan and Mary Farnan Dugan

Mary Dugan - January 23, 2019 at 07:41 PM