



Emily Watson

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Emily Watson, a vibrant spirit and cherished soul, was taken from us too soon on November 29, 2023, at the age of 29. Born on September 17, 1994, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Emily's life was a testament to her passion for creativity, her dedication to helping others, and her unwavering love for her family and beloved pets.

Emily was the beloved daughter of Judy Watson, and she grew up surrounded by a close-knit family that included her aunts Kathy (Barry) Henevich and Mary Beth (JoAnn) Watson, and her cousins Jacob and Hannah. She carried the memory of her late grandparents, Mary Jean and Robert Watson. She also leaves behind her adored feline companions, Zucchini and Tomato, as well as countless friends.

A proud graduate of Point Park University, Emily earned her Bachelor's degree in English and creative writing in 2017. Her academic achievements laid the foundation for her professional journey at UPMC Presbyterian, where she began her career and eventually became a Transport Department Supervisor. Emily's career was marked by her relentless work ethic and her natural leadership, which earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues. In addition to her professional accomplishments, Emily was a certified CPR instructor at UPMC Presbyterian, where she shared her knowledge and skills to empower others to save lives. Her ability to teach and inspire was just one of the many ways she made a lasting impact on those around her.

Emily's talents extended beyond her professional life; she was a very skilled writer who was in the process of authoring a book. Her love for storytelling and her creative spirit were evident in her writing, which was as imaginative as it was expressive.

A voracious reader, Emily found solace and excitement in the pages of fantasy books. She was an avid fan of series like Harry Potter and The Hunger Games, and at the time of her passing, she was delving into the rich world of Game of Thrones. Her love for literature was a cherished escape and a source of endless joy.



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Her commitment to personal well-being was exemplified by her daily visits to the gym, where she not only maintained her physical health but also found a community of fellow fitness enthusiasts. Emily's love for the outdoors and nature's beauty was evident in her frequent drives to Presque Isle, where she would watch the sunsets and reflect. She would always be sure to photograph the sunsets and share them with those she loved.

Emily's affection for her cats, affectionately known as The Veggie Kitties, was a reflection of her kind and nurturing spirit. The time she spent with them was filled with love, laughter, and the simple pleasures of companionship.

Emily's life was a beautiful mosaic of dedication, creativity, and love. Her absence leaves a void in the hearts of those who knew her, but her memory will continue to inspire and guide us. She lived her life with purpose and left an indelible mark on the world through her kindness, her passion, and her unwavering commitment to making a difference.

As we bid farewell to Emily, we celebrate the remarkable woman she was and the legacy she leaves behind. Her light will continue to shine in the memories we hold and the stories we share.

Family and friends will be received Monday, December 4th from 2-8 at Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. A Celebration of Life will be held on Tuesday, December 5th at 10 A.M. in the Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Guests are encouraged to dress casually as Emily would have wished.

In honor of Emily's love for animals, please consider bringing a monetary donation to support local animal shelters.

Condolences may be left at www.jeffersonmemorial.com



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JG

Judy Gardner posted:

My life and my children's lives were blessed by Emily and Judy. These are times that we treasure and smile when we speak of them. I've known Emilu since the day she was born. An adorable dynamo with bouncy, beautiful curls. It was amazing to see all the love that surrounded this little girl. She had her grandparents wrapped around her little finger! The most beautiful thing was to watch the love Judy and Emily had for each other, that love will never be broken...I send my love and sympathy. Judy Gardner .

December 11 at 5:44 AM

DF

Dr. Jos Francisco Abad Family posted:

A beautiful life taken too soon and I hope this tree will bring life to others in her honor. With heartfelt condolences,

December 6 at 11:49 AM



Anonymous posted:

We send you thoughts of peace and courage.

December 5 at 1:15 PM

CC

Carolina E Clark posted:

Only up until today I find the courage to actually believe that my Em is not here anymore. Miss Judy please know that Emi is loved. Emi knew that, Emi knew that you loved her. We share your pain. This blow to the heart will take time to heal, but I also know that Em wouldn't like us to cry for too long, Em would actually encourage us to laugh and be happy. All the hurt, all the tears that we have right now is the love that we didn't have time to give. You are not alone Miss Judy. We are here with you.

December 4 at 5:23 PM

SM

Sandra Mcdade posted:

To the family of Emily Watson, I knew Emily for just a short time before I transferred to Shadyside Hospital from Presbyterian Hospital. Emily exemplified the spirit of compassion and caring. From beginner to skilled leader, Emily was one who would be a valued and admired leader of her team. May Emily's light continue to shine brighter than ever before. ---Sandy McDade

December 4 at 3:35 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Judy, I am so sorry for your loss. God bless you and your family during this difficult time.

December 4 at 3:07 PM



Amber Stewart posted:

To the family of Emily Watson I send prayers and love Emily was a blessing and such a sweet beautiful person

December 4 at 2:36 PM



Missie Fisher posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you

December 4 at 1:35 PM



Chaton Turner And The Upmc Disabilities Resource Center posted:

Please accept our condolences for the loss of Emily.

December 4 at 5:52 AM



Liz Demoss, Shirley Warren, Brenda Acri And Judy Giannuzzi posted:

Our arms are tightly around all of you. Prayers, blessings, warm huge hugs and lots of love to you all.

December 4 at 4:18 AM



The Division Of Gastroenterology, Hepatology & Nutrition posted:

Emily was a light to all her knew her. She will remain in our hearts forever. Our deepest sympathies to Judy, family and friends.

December 3 at 5:27 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Please accept my heartfelt condolences during this incredibly challenging time.

December 3 at 3:55 PM



Presbyterian Unit 6D Neurosurgery posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

December 3 at 7:01 AM



Ann Marie Staniszewski posted:

Her accomplishments, work ethic and positive influence on those around her are a testament to the support and guidance she received from her loving, dedicated family. My deepest sympathy to you on this tragic loss. Ann Marie Staniszewski

December 2 at 4:11 PM



Kismet Graciano posted:

Emily you will be truly missed by me. You always made me smile when I was having a hard day at work. I'll keep your smile with me forever.

December 2 at 3:19 PM



The Cardiac Surgeons And Operating Room Team. posted:

Our deepest condolences.

December 2 at 7:19 AM



Beth Hoffman posted:

I did not know Emily, but my sister Emily was also killed earlier this year when hit by a driver while crossing the street. The parallels between my sister and your Emily are so many, including their love of cats. My sincere sympathy to Emily's entire family and loved ones - the pain is unreal but know you are not alone. ~ Beth Hoffman

December 2 at 6:51 AM



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Anonymous posted:

To Judy from Aisha back on 10north days with Chris as her pretends Dad, my sincere condolences to you and your family.

December 2 at 6:28 AM



Whitney Colosimo posted:

May this tree flourish and thrive as she did during her journey with us and may it be a reminder of her beauty, wisdom, grace, and healing nature.

December 2 at 6:18 AM



Tony Rocco posted:

I worked with Emily when I was transporting. She not only was a sweet lady but a good friend. My deepest sympathies go out to her mother and her family.

December 2 at 4:57 AM



Courtney Yoder posted:

A bright and compassionate soul taken way too soon. May you be able to rest in eternal peace. My deepest condolences to family and loved ones.

December 1 at 5:47 PM



Ralph Damico posted:

My deepest condolences to Emilys family in these difficult times. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

December 1 at 4:29 PM



Cathy Hatcher posted:

Mary Beth, JoAnn, & Family:My deepest sympathy for the loss of your beautiful Emily.

December 1 at 3:32 PM



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JO

Joann posted:

Was very lucky to have watched Emily grow up and become the great person that she was. She was a very special person who loved her animals and loved her family. She will be very much missed. She is now with her grandparents who she loved very much.

December 1 at 2:12 PM

EB

Eileen Barney posted:

It was a true honor to know Emily! To hear about all of her accomplishments as she grew into a fabulous young woman! She was kind, smart and beautiful! She would stop to chat when she saw you and always make everyone feel special! She was raised by a more than fantastic mother and Family! My heartfelt sympathies are with you now and always. May God wrap his loving arms around all of you. Love, Eileen

December 1 at 2:06 PM

CY

Cynthia posted:

Although I did not know Emily, my deepest sympathies are with her family and friends at this difficult time. May love and light surround them now and always. 💜

December 1 at 2:06 PM

BP

Becky Pottinger posted:

Sending lots of love and hugs for Judy and family

December 1 at 12:42 PM

AC

Amanda Cieszynski posted:

My deepest condolences to Judy and the rest of Emily's friends and family. She truly was a kind, beautiful soul that will be remembered with fondness by all that had the pleasure of knowing her. A donation has been made to Orphans of the Storm in memory of Emily.

December 1 at 12:38 PM



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PK

Paul Kogut posted:

I was privileged to work closely with Emily. Her kindness, patience and positivity are an inspiration. A beautiful soul.

December 1 at 12:08 PM

UT

Upmc Presbyterian Patient Transport Team posted:

In remembrance of our dear friend. A kind soul that we were so lucky to know, if only so briefly. Forever in our hearts and memories.

December 1 at 11:43 AM

CL

Carmie Lynch posted:

My deepest condolences to Emily's family as they mourn this tragic loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I am so sorry.

December 1 at 10:10 AM

DM

Dom Moretti posted:

One of the kindest people I've ever had the pleasure of working with! Emily will be dearly missed.

December 1 at 9:57 AM

RB

Rachel B posted:

I didn't know Emily personally, but I have never heard anything but positive, loving words about her. Sending love from her extended UPMC family.

December 1 at 9:45 AM

SF

Sarah Frankowski posted:

Prayers for Emily and her loved ones.

December 1 at 9:41 AM



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KS

Ken Smith posted:

Emily was the kindest person I've ever known.

December 1 at 8:41 AM

KM

Kevin And Linda Mcgrath posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. With deepest sympathy,

December 1 at 8:06 AM

TS

Tom Stehle posted:

We would like to offer our deepest sympathies to the family of Emily. Tom and Sandy Stehle

December 1 at 6:35 AM



Anonymous posted:

With heartfelt condolences, Sandy Rader & UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside Executive Management Team

December 1 at 6:21 AM

YU

Your Friends At The Digestive Disorders Center At Upmc. posted:

Our deepest sympathy for your tragic loss.

December 1 at 6:14 AM



Anonymous posted:

With thoughts of peace and courage for you,

December 1 at 4:55 AM

LD

Lakesiha Dillard posted:

Words cannot express the sorrow that I feel for you and your family during this difficult time. I pray to the Most High that you find peace and comfort in the midst of this storm. Kesiha D.

December 1 at 4:01 AM



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DM

Denise Maxson posted:

Kind, considerate, dedicated, steady. All words that describe our friend Emily. Our condolences to Emily's family and everyone who had the opportunity to have a relationship with this amazingly authentic person. We will forever remember you and miss you. Love, Your Work Family @ PUH

November 30 at 3:33 PM

EJ

Edward Joseph James posted:

Emily served as a supervisor over me at UPMC Presbyterian Hospital Transport Services for only a few weeks, since I only recently began working with this wonderful team. Although I never had the opportunity to get to know her or speak with her on a personal level, Emily was very kind, considerate and supportive of me. I am learning through this obituary today for the very first time about Emily's personal interests and it seems that she and I have shared many interests, so I really wish that I could have had the opportunity to get to know Emily on a more personal level. I am also very passionate fitness and health and protection of animals. Like Emily, Creativity is very important to me and I love connecting with creative people who inspire creativity in me. Like Emily, I love to write and always appreciate a good story. I am praying for Emily's family, loved ones, friends and everyone who is mourning her untimely death to receive Peace that surpasses all understanding, and meditate upon the memories of the things that made Emily special. To everyone who knew Emily, please accept my sincere condolences during this difficult time.

November 30 at 2:24 PM

TH

Timothy Hurney posted:

Dearest Judy and family I can find no words to express the grief, the sorrow and the sadness I feel about the loss of Emily. It is to me a incomprehensible and impossible to understand her all to soon departure from this life. I offer to you all that I have and am by way of prayer my sympathy and my compassion. There are no words I can write to adequately convey my condolences. Love Tim

November 30 at 1:55 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Emily by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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