



Nicole Lynn Brody

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Brody,
Nicole Lynn

33, of West Homestead, departed this world on Thursday May 3rd, 2018. She was born on September 13, 1984 to Keith and Debra Brody.

With her warm and tender ways, she was loved by all who came into her life.

Nicole earned her bachelor's degree in Business/International Business from Penn State University. Studied abroad in Sydney, Australia, University of New South Wales taking up photography and exploring Fiji, Coogee Beach, and The Great Barrier Reef. She was vice-president of finance for her sorority Gamma Phi Beta. Accepted a position with Macy's in New York City as a buyer in Fragrance. Returned home to help run our family business, Black Rhino Recycling, which continues to thrive due to her strategic thinking skills.

Although Nicole was business oriented, her interests were much more artistic. She loved to draw, paint, write, and create. Her latest passion was learning to play guitar strumming to Jack Johnson, Stevie Nicks and Colbie Caillat. Her love of reading included the classics as well as books about spirituality in its many forms. She had an exceptional way with children volunteering her time tutoring math and English to younger students, painting set designs for the annual West Mifflin High School play as well as teaching swim lessons at the local YMCA. Her vibrant smile and radiant personality will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. She always made an effort to put others first and made anyone feel welcome. Her level of kindness was beautiful. "Do what's right and do what's good. Be kind and help others." This sums up her life.

Nicole is survived by her parents, Keith and Debra Brody, her sister Natasha Brody (Zack Katic) and her wonderful nephew Max.

Also many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends across the country. She was preceded in death by her grandfather Edward Hritz and grandmother Sigrid Brody. Nik leaves behind her sweet puppy Coco.



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Visitation will be held at Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. Viewing: Thursday Evening 6-9 PM on 5-10-18, Friday 2-8 PM with service Saturday at 11:30 AM at the funeral home Chapel. Luncheon will follow at Westwood County Club in West Mifflin.

Family and friends are encouraged to share memories of Nicole on her tribute page at Pittsburgh Post Gazette.



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KR

Kristi posted:

Let me start by saying I am so very sorry for anyone who never had the pleasure of meeting Nikki, my prayers will be constant for her family to find peace through this devastation, and I am thankful to have had her presence in my life (although it was very limited). I met Nikki through one of my best friends. She truly was a pop of shimmery color in a dull, black and white world. She instantly made you feel as though you were lifelong friends. Seeing the way she took pride and care in the details of her friendships was a beautiful thing to have witnessed. I cannot imagine the loss the Brody family is experiencing, but if I can offer anything to you... it would be to say every single time I had to joy of being around Nikki, she truly lived her life to the fullest with a beautiful smile, a charismatic charm, and simple grace that would have made Audrey Hepburn envious.

May 10 at 6:34 PM

AN

Angela posted:

To the family of Nicole, you have my deepest sympathy. May memories of Nicole and the love of family and friends carry you through your grief. The Bible assures us that "God is near to those who are broken at heart; And those crushed in spirit he saves." (Psalm 34:18) We look forward with you to the time when we will be able to welcome our loved ones back! (John 5:28, 29) I hope this will bring you a measure of comfort.

May 10 at 2:44 PM

MV

Mark Vellky posted:

As heartbroken as I am, I cannot help but think about how fortunate I am to have known Nicole and how honored I am to have been her friend for almost 20 years. When I was new to the school district as a high school freshman, it took me a while to start being very social, but Nikki was one of the first people to befriend me, which left such a lasting impression. She was always just such a genuinely sweet and lovely person, and my time in high school was brighter because of her. Even though we only had the chance to catch up every now and then in the years since, we still kept in touch, whether it was for holiday wishes, a random conversation, or just to say "hi". When the opportunity to hang out would arise, we'd chat and reminisce and joke just like it were yesterday, without missing a beat, and it was impossible to ignore how much Nikki - intelligent, warm, and truly funny- could light up a room with her positive presence. I cannot find the words to describe how pained and saddened I am for Tash and Mr. and Mrs. Brody, who have all been so kind to me as long as I've know Nikki, and how much I hope that their loved ones can bring them some comfort and strength during these difficult times, but I just wanted you all to know how much I cherished her friendship and her impact on my life. She will be forever loved and missed.

May 10 at 6:00 AM



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SC

Someone Who Cares posted:

"And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away." Revelation 21:4 The Bible promises at Acts 24:15 and John 5:28,29 of a resurrection, which is a sure hope of being reunited with our dead loved ones. For more information visit jw.org and click on Bible teachings; Can the dead really live again in the search area. Wishing you peace and comfort.

May 10 at 4:23 AM

KI

Kim posted:

Thinking of Nikki's Family at this difficult time. May the God of Comfort be with the family and strengthen her parents and family. Nikki was a beautiful person. Revelation 21:4

May 9 at 5:41 AM

KT

Katie Tedder posted:

I posted some pictures of studying abroad, but wasn't sure if I could write about it in the album. I was studying in Canberra, while Nicole was closer to Sydney. During one of the holidays, I traveled down to Sydney. We were able to see the Opera House, Harbor Bridge, Explore the city and casinos, and relax at Coogie Beach. We played together as kids here and there, but as we got older we didn't see much of each other. I do remember always loving playing with her and enjoying our time together. She was always smiling. I really enjoyed meeting up with her in Australia and spending some quality time with her. She actually let me stay with her when I couldn't find a hotel that had an open room. Something major was happening and all the hotels were booked. I seriously would've been lost without her. I will cherish those memories forever. I'm sorry that we didn't get to spend more time with each other. Nikki, You have such a loving heart and are so genuine. I hope you are now at peace. I love you so much.

May 8 at 3:05 PM

KT

Katie Tedder posted:

Some Pictures of Beautiful Sydney Australia Where Nicole Studied Abroad.

May 8 at 1:35 PM



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LV


Lisa Vellky posted:

From the high school days spent at sandcastle, the wavepool, or Friday night football games and into our adulthood full of unforgettable nights out and valuable girl's nights in, these special times spent together will always be cherished. Nikki was always a beautiful and vibrant soul, whose genuine passion for life brought so much joy to anyone fortunate enough to know her. Nikki, made so many lives better just by being her. I am not sure I ever told her how especially meaningful it was to receive her handmade holiday/birthday cards in the mail when I was living so far away from so many people that I loved and missed dearly but it was her compassion and consideration that could light up my gray days. Nikki, I hope that you know you never failed to bring a smile to my face, even in the most difficult of times. I am so blessed to have spent the time with you that I did. Many of your incredible qualities live on in the people you have influenced the most; I am so blessed that one of those people is my best friend. We will always love you, Nikki, and the incredible, countless memories you left us with will be our strength in your absence. Rest peacefully.

May 8 at 12:11 PM

LA

Lauren posted:

I have such fond childhood memories of Nikki- riding home on the bus after school and doing our homework with a snack and conversation about our days, sleepovers and experimenting with a "love potion" that ended with nail polish spilled on the carpet. It was the one and only time that Debbie raised her voice with us! We sang songs and had a radio station that included the duet "do your boobs hang low? Do they tumble to and fro? Can you tie them in a knot.." I remember passing a pink notebook as we grew a bit older, the cover read "Nikki and Lauren's  only." Our paths crossed less often as we grew older and became busier with school and activities. She said my name in a way that I thought it should be said but was actually said by very few (Larr rather than Lor although written Laur) and I remember seeing her in the hallway at school always to be greeted with a big smile, a subtle wave and "hey Laur!" I saw Nikki once after we both graduated. It was in Target after I had my first son. We hugged and promised that we need to get together. We didn't get together because that's what happens so often in adult hood. We connected again right around the time Tash had her sweet boy. We swore again that we would get together- the two pair of sisters could reunite. It didn't happen again because that's what happens so often. The world is better because she was a part of it. I, and so many others, have wonderful memories of Nikki.

May 8 at 11:18 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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