



Jessica Rae Bartholomew

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Jessica Rae Bartholomew, 43, passed away on Monday, April 28, 2025.

Jessica was a proud graduate of Baldwin High School, where she played the saxophone in the marching band, and went on to earn her Bachelor's degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) and a Master's degree from Edinboro University. For over 15 years, she dedicated her career to teaching, working as an English as a Second Language (ESL) educator with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, reaching children from all over the world. Jessica's advocacy for children and families who faced challenges was a testament to her compassionate spirit.

In 2014, she married the love of her life, Chris. Together, they created a home filled with love and laughter. Jessica had an incredible talent for creating beauty, and she expressed this through her crafts, jewelry, pottery, painting, and mosaics. As the owner of the Bauble Bungalow shop, she shared her artistry with the community, inspiring others to appreciate the beauty in everyday life.

Jessica was a lover of nature, music, and diverse culinary experiences. She found joy in walking with her children to collect "Nature Treasures," practicing yoga, gardening, cooking delicious soups, and exploring foods from different cultures. She cherished time spent at the Pittsburgh Botanical Gardens and Phipps Conservatory, where she often shared her vibrant enthusiasm for life.

Jessica is survived by her husband Chris Bartholomew; lived for her children Isla and Arlo; mother Rebecca (Gary Marsh, Jr.) Wehring; brother Justin (Ashley) Wehring; also survived by many extended family and friends.

She is preceded in death by her father Ronald Wehring.



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Visitation will be held on Friday, May 2, 2025 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, 15236. A Celebration of Life will take place on Saturday, May 3 at 2:00 pm in the funeral home's chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to 412Thrive at <https://www.412thrive.org/> or Drop the Puck on Cancer at <https://drothepuckoncancer.com/>.

Online condolences may be shared at www.jeffersonmemorial.com.

Please allow extra travel time to the funeral home because of ongoing construction on Curry Hollow Road



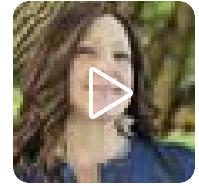
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Jefferson Memorial Cemetery & Funeral Home shared a **Video**.



May 2 at 9:47 AM



Melissa Mccaslin posted:

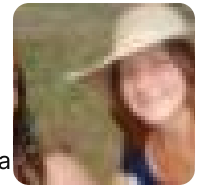
Jessica tutored my daughter in math. I just found out today about her passing and I am heartbroken. She was such a wonderful person and changed my daughter's school year last year. I am so thankful for her and send her family my most sincere condolences. ❤️

August 25 at 10:34 AM



Tania Womack shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I remember visiting Jessica at her home to see her first born, Isla! Jessica and I had lunch together at The Porch in Oakland a couple of years ago. We kept in touch through phone messages and Facebook. We kept our conversations upbeat and with a spirit of gratitude. She and I always ended our talks with, " I love you." Man, this is rough. I love you, my friend. Thank you for our times together. "Tammy"



May 3 at 8:35 AM



Maryann Hanau posted:

We have lost a bright light in our neighborhood. We will miss Jessica's beautiful smile, her love of flowers and gardening, her creativity, chatting on the front porch and seeing her walk the streets with her loving family. Jessica was so strong and positive an inspiration to all. I was blessed to have her as my neighbor. Heaven gained an angel and may her spirit live in the lives she touched. Chris, God bless you and your family. May he watch over you, Isla and Arlo during this most difficult time. Maryann and Tod

May 2 at 8:18 PM



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NR

Nicole Reyna posted:

Jessica was a truly beautiful soul. We met during COVID times when I had an infant and would walk up and down our street. Isla was just a little bit older than my son, and we stopped to talk and introduce ourselves. We realized that we were both language teachers and had a love for nature, flowers, and ethnic foods. I loved when Jessica would walk by our house and we got to say hello and catch up. She was the sweetest person, always asking how everyone was. We are truly saddened at the loss of such an incredibly kind and lovely person.

May 2 at 1:15 PM

AF

Amber Nesbitt & Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Bartholomew family.

May 1 at 2:44 PM



AF

Amber Nesbitt & Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jessica.

May 1 at 2:44 PM



MC

Michele Conkel sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Bartholomew family.

May 1 at 1:28 PM



YF

Your T-Mobile Family sent an Arrive in Style to the Bartholomew family.

May 1 at 11:27 AM



ML

Mik sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Bartholomew family.

May 1 at 9:45 AM





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DL

Diane L. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jessica.

April 30 at 6:59 PM



DL

Diane L. sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Bartholomew family.

April 30 at 6:59 PM



MR

Melissa Randolph posted:

I met sweet Jess through my sister, Chelsea Wright. Everytime we saw her she was always smiling and asking about everyone. We had some fun times playing in an adult kickball league when we were all young, single, and childless. She was a wonderful educator who truly shined in the classroom. She always wanted to do more. The strength she showed during her fight was tremendous and admirable. May the Lord wrap his loving arms around Jess' entire family. Her love for life and smile will never be forgotten. Melissa Randolph

April 30 at 2:09 PM

LM

Lolo Mcburnie lit a candle in honor of Jessica.

To the entire family that loved Jessica. Celebrate her life as you mourn the loss.
LoLo Festa McBurnie

April 30 at 11:40 AM



CW

Chelsea Wright posted:

Jessica was beautiful, inside and out. I met Jess when I was working at Bethel Park and we lived in Mt. Lebanon. I have wonderful memories of being in our 20s and having adventures in Pittsburgh, living carefree lives. To know Jess, was to love her. She made friends wherever she went in her life. She had a way of making everyone feel loved and included, such a special gift. She cheered for the underdogs and gave a voice to students who didn't always have one. It was a privilege to watch her fall in love with Chris and become a mother. Jess was such an amazing person and I will be forever grateful for her friendship. Chelsea Wright

April 30 at 10:05 AM



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Samantha Colaizzi lit a candle in honor of Jessica.

Jessica always had a beautiful smile on her face when she roamed the halls of Washington Elementary when I was there. I remember working there as a para, nervous and anxious. Although we were not close, knowing I would see her in the halls in the morning - her friendly "hello" - made me feel comfortable and welcomed. Thank you, Jessica, for that. I am so sorry for the tremendous loss of a beautiful spirit, but I know she is forever radiating love upon all those that loved her.

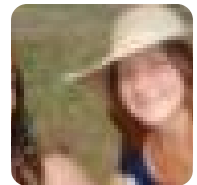


April 30 at 9:57 AM



Tania Womack shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

We used to walk during our lunchtime at Banksville Elementary School (a while back)and talk about life and family. I drove to her (back then) new house to visit and held her beautiful first born daughter. Our last "friend time" we had lunch was at The Porch in Oakland. Jessica updated me on her health. We kept our conversation upbeat and fun. #foreverinmyheart❤️Tammy Womack



April 30 at 9:16 AM



Hilary Nicole lit a candle in honor of Jessica.

I met Jess our freshman year at BHS. It was my first year at a huge public school after 13 yrs. of Catholic school and I was SO nervous. If memory serves me, I met Jess in ceramics class. I remember thinking that she had a kind face and I was hoping we would be friends...and soon we were. As highschool went on, we drifted apart a bit but Jess always had a special place in my heart. We reconnected years after graduating and got together once or twice but then I moved 45 minutes away and we only kept in touch through Facebook. My heart broke when I found out Jess was sick and I prayed for her to overcome it. Her strength and positivity throughout her battle was incredible and inspiring. I know she fought hard. Jess was a beautiful person, inside and out. She was creative, talented, kind and gentle. I am lucky to have known her. Chris, I never had the pleasure of meeting you or your beautiful children, but please accept my condolences. I am so, so sorry for your loss.



April 29 at 6:48 PM



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Kelly Noyes posted:

I had the privilege of knowing Jess for over 16 years. She was an extraordinary ESL teacher whose love for her students knew no bounds. Jess cared deeply for each and every child, working tirelessly to ensure their needs were met and their voices heard. Her impact is lasting—reflected in the lives of all the students who passed through her classroom. The AIU was truly fortunate to have her. Her legacy will live on in the work of every educator who follows in her footsteps.~Kelly Noyes~

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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