



## Melissa Lasseter Cato

January 21, 1969 - July 3, 2024

Melissa Lasseter Cato, 55, of Tallahassee, Florida passed away on Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at her home. Born on January 21, 1969 in Dougherty County, Georgia to the late Garrett "Billy" Nathaniel and Ruby Jones Lasseter. She was a retired Registered Radiologic Technologist and Christian by faith. Melissa loved animals, music, photography, creating art, movies, and television.

She is survived by her husband Evan Cato of Tallahassee, Florida, sister Lisa Brady (Buddy) of Colquitt County, Georgia, brother Kenneth Lasseter (Faye) of Thomas County, Georgia, sister Regina Walker of Swainsboro, Georgia, stepsister Dorenda Miller (Tony) of Decatur County, Georgia, stepsister Sherry Roberts of Swainsboro, Georgia, sister-in-law Stephanie Cato Ayers of Stone Mountain, Georgia, brother-in-law Daniel Ayers of Stone Mountain, Georgia, aunt Gwen Beck (Billy) of Camilla, Georgia, aunt Patsy Lasseter of Decatur County, Georgia, and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her stepbrother Timothy Clark, grandfather Garrett Lasseter, grandmother Ila Lasseter, step-grandmother Corrine Lasseter, grandfather William Jones Sr., grandmother Ruby Blount Jones, aunt Janet Johnson, uncle Curtis Johnson, uncle Freddie Lasseter, aunt Ernestine Price, uncle Bill Price, aunt Gayle Hall, uncle Paul Hall, aunt Mildred

Louise Christmas Lasseter Ridley, uncle William Jones Jr., father-in-law Evans Cato, mother-in-law Mildred Cato, and brother-in-law Ronald "R.C." Walker.

Celebration of life and memorial service will be conducted on Saturday, July 20, 2024 at 2:00 pm online and will be hosted and recorded for later viewing by Bevis Funeral Home in Tallahassee, Florida at [www.bevisfh.com/obituaries/Melissa-Cato/TributeWall](http://www.bevisfh.com/obituaries/Melissa-Cato/TributeWall).

If you would like to make a memorial contribution in Melissa's name, please consider the National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) (<https://rarediseases.org/donate-nord>), the National Scleroderma Foundation (<https://scleroderma.org/ways-to-give/>), or the American Diabetes Association (<https://diabetes.org/ways-to-give/memorial-gift>).

Dayne Parker of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the Cato Family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL **20**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory  
200 John Knox Rd  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 385-2193

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Service Footage



Bevis Funeral Home - July 20, 2024 at 06:48 PM

AM

*Oh Evan, what a beautiful tribute to Melissa! So caring and loving. You were both blessed to be with each other. I am glad you had many years together. I have a lot of memories of our adventures together. Many years have passed that we have not seen each other and I still and will hold her dear to my heart. God bless you, Ev. Hope to see you soon.*  
*Angela (Ann Byrd) McGuire*

Angela McGuire - July 21, 2024 at 04:08 AM

JG

*Simple beautiful, Evan. I know she loved it. 😊❤️☐☐*

J Grantham - July 21, 2024 at 09:23 AM

WE

*Evan, that was such a sweet and beautiful tribute to Melissa.*

Wendy Edwards - July 21, 2024 at 04:41 PM

KJ

*Too sweet. Love you Missy.*

Kelly Judah - July 22, 2024 at 03:08 PM

ES

*Lovely and touching service Evan. I feel I know Melissa even better. She lived her life as a caring, compassionate person and was an example for all. God bless you and keep you Evan.*

**Earline Sanders** - July 23, 2024 at 09:49 AM

SR

*Very nice service, Evan. God Bless you and Keep you in the years to come.*

**Sharon Rehbaum** - July 28, 2024 at 01:26 PM

LW

*Thank you Evan for such a sweet tribute to your wife. 30 + years was a long time of loving memories to keep in your heart safe. I knew she loved to color & paint, & I knew she loved Rick Springfield but I didn't know she got to meet him! 😊 God bless you Evan. I know you'd like to have Melissa here with you, but you know she got a new body on the day she left with no more pain. Love you ☐  
Lesley Skandamis Williams*

**Lesley Williams** - August 04, 2024 at 08:30 AM

NS

“ *Evan And Family , So sorry for you loss. Your cousin Norman Stanfield*

**Norman Stanfield** - July 20, 2024 at 02:35 PM

ME

“ *Who the sweetest of us all.....Melissa Lassiter! 30 years later she was still kind and thoughtful to me. I love her! See you in paradise friend ☐ mecie*

**mecie** - July 20, 2024 at 02:09 PM

SH

“ Although I never knew Melissa personally, I know her family and friends are missing her terribly. Sending prayers and comforting thoughts in this sad time. May she rest in peace!


Sharon - July 17, 2024 at 04:05 PM

TO

“ Evan my deepest condolences to you. May the Lord cover and give strength to you and your family during this time. We are here for you.

Theresa Oquendo - July 17, 2024 at 08:48 AM

GG

“ Evan I am sending my deepest condolences I pray for you to receive the strength of our Heavenly Father during this difficult time  


Ginger Griffin - July 16, 2024 at 07:13 PM

JG

“ I miss my almost daily conversations with her. We would chat about anything from loud noises at night to politics. Her sense of humor and deep caring for others made her the best neighbor and friend.

Safe journey, my friend. You are missed and loved. ❤️🕊

Jimmy G - July 16, 2024 at 07:48 AM

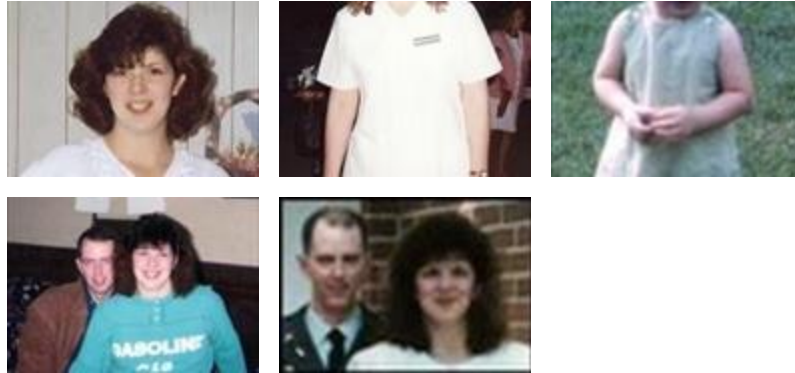
CD

“ Cydne D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Lasseter Cato.

Cydne D. - July 15, 2024 at 07:31 PM

EC

“ 13 files added to the album *Melissa*



Evan Cato - July 15, 2024 at 07:16 PM

RE

“ *Melissa and I have known each other since 2nd grade. She was one of those dear friends that I could talk to every day or every other month. It didn't matter when one or the other of us reached out, we picked up right where we had left off. She was one of my biggest supporters no matter what I wanted to try and one of my biggest cheerleaders. In other words, she was one of my very best friends...one of those few people that come into our lives and makes such a difference with their personality and spunk. I loved her so much and am so thankful for the memories with her. Evan, Kenneth, and all the family...I love you guys too. Thank you for sharing Melissa with me.*



Renda - July 15, 2024 at 06:15 PM

DS

“ *Evan, so very sorry for your loss. I know you and Mel were childhood sweet hearts. To all the family, lots of love from your Jones family.*  
*Dee Barrett Sadler*

Dee Sadler - July 15, 2024 at 05:50 PM