



Melissa Dwyer

July 13, 1990 - June 7, 2013

Melissa M. Dwyer, 22, of Beecher, Illinois died at her home on June 7, 2013, Mellisa was born on July 13, 1990 at Olympia Fields, IL to William and Rebecca Dwyer nee Sweet. She was a CNA that loved her nursing and spending time with her friends. Melissa is survived by her parents William and Rebecca of Beecher, grandfather Robert Sweet of Beecher, brother Billy of Beecher, sister Erin (Michael Kelly Jr) of Beecher and many loved uncles, aunts, nephews and nieces. She will be missed by many close friends. She is preceded by her grandparents Elizabeth Sweet, Bill and Shirley Dwyer. Visitation will be on Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at the Hack Funeral Home 753 Hodges St. Beecher, IL from 1 until 7 p.m. with the funeral service at 7:00 p.m. following the visitation. The Rev. Tom Ewing will officiate. Memorials may be made to tChronic Migraine Awareness.

Tribute Wall

W(

“ *Bill, Becky, Erin, Billy;*

I am very sorry for the loss of your daughter and sisiter Melissa. I am praying for your family at this difficult time. God Bless your family!

Wendie Garlich (Krudup) - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DD

“ *I would like to express my sincere sympathy & condolences to Melissa's Family & Friends...She was a very beautiful young lady. I truly understand her pain as a migraine sufferer from age 13, it's been a 35 year long struggle for me. All we want is relief, a normal life & acceptance by the medical field. It;s hard to find them all. At least beautiful Melissa is now pain-free, she is loved & accepted by Jesus into Heaven...just wish she could have found all that on earth!!*

Darlene Duncaan~Kilgore - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BE

“ *Dear Dwyer Family,*

I never knew your sweet girl personally, we were members of the same support group for people living with migraines. I'm sorry for your terrible loss, one that I can't even imagine.

My thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Sincerely,
Becca*

Becca - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

VO

“ I am also Chronic Migraine member, I am so saddened by this news and Melissa will always be a shining light in Our hearts. So many of us were touched by this and we will all scream louder for better treatment. I hope you as a Family can find solace and peace any way you can and I keep you in my thoughts.
RIP sweet lady....forever in hearts

Vonnie - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SF

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss, it is tragic and so sad. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family and friends. I wish I had magical words that would make you feel better or help but that doesn't seem like there are any. I just want you to know that I am here for you and thinking of you during this terrible time of loss. God Bless and RIP Melissa.

Sharlene Mackie Ferizi - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

VV

“ God bless sweetheart. Hope you are now at peace and resting easy. We only ever met via facebook and the Chronic Migraine pages where many folks shared your pain. Watch over us all. Stay safe and fly high. Love and hugs coming your way from Vince x

Vince Valentine - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KR

“ *A daughter's love
is a gift that will be with you forever.*

*In your memories,
you will always see her beautiful smile.*

*In your heart,
you will always feel her special love.*

Wishing you all Comfort and Peace.

Kristina Richard - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BR

“ *Becky & Bill
I have tried to think of the right way to say what is in my heart.
The only thing I can think of is to put your faith in Jesus.*

Brian - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DW

“ *I would like to express my deepest sympathy for the Dwyer
family. Melissa was a wonderful friend and she will be truly missed.*

Dreama Whatley - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MW

“ *Dwyer Family*

*Our thoughts an prayers are with you through this difficult time
Melissa will be greatly missed an always loved*

love always your cma family an friends

Misty Weaver - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KA

“ *Melissa gave such joy and comfort in her time her with us. She will not be forgotten. Melissa lives on inside of each of us who's lives she has touched.*

I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love. -Leo Buscaglia

My thoughts and prayers go out to all who Melissa has left behind. We will carry her forward in our hearts and be better people for have known such a wonderful young woman.

Kyla Aquin - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KR

“ *My condolences to her Melissa's family and friends. I am so sorry for your. loss. I, too, am a migraineur and know the intense despair and hopelessness that accompanies this condition. My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this trying time.*

Krista - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

LS

“ *May her spirit be flying free of migraine all that it entails...blessings to the family for strength in the days that are in front of you. Lesley..fellow migrainer..33rd year.*

Lesley Saglibene - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DE

“ *I am a fellow chronic migraine sufferer. I am so sorry for your loss. Will be praying for your family during this difficult time.*

Deborah - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SH

“ My deepest condolences to the Dwyer family. I was lucky enough to meet Melissa when she was in Jobs Daughters. Her smile could light up a room. May God hold you all tightly in his hands as you grieve.

sharon - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MS

“ I'll always remember your beautiful face shown next to your thoughtful words on the CMA private page. You were such a loving, caring, beautiful girl whose life was taken far too soon from a far too brutal disease. I hope and pray that you can finally be pain-free and in peace. Although we never got the chance to meet in person, you and your family touched the hearts of myself and my family, and you and your mother will always be dearly loved. May you rest in peace my friend.

Michelle Stenner - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BS

“ My deepest, heartfelt condolences to Melissa's family and friends.

I'm also a fellow member of CMA, although I've been absent the past few weeks, but I share in the beautiful comments the others have made.

God bless you, especially, Becky, in the days, weeks and years to come as you grieve for your daughter.

Becky Schmidt - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KS

“ To the Dwyer family and friends,
Although I did not get the pleasure of knowing Melissa I have
friends and family who did and my deepest sympathy goes out to all
of you during this difficult time. It appears you had an angel
walking, now you have an angel watching...
Praying for her, and who loved her.

Krissy Schulz - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BE

“ I am sorry for your loss, I did not know your daughter. I am part of
the migraine community, and I know she was an inspiration to a lot
of people. I offer my heartfelt sympathy.

Benice - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

GR

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Melissa's family and friends are in my
prayers. Know Melissa is still an inspiration to many.

Gretchen - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM



“ Though I knew not Melissa nor the Dwyer family, I was deeply saddened to hear of such a young life lost over such a horrible chronic disease. I, too, suffer from migraines. It's a horrible, horrible thing to live with. But I cannot even begin to wrap my head around the pain Melissa must have been in. My deepest, sincerest condolences to the Dwyer family, friends, and others affected by her passing.

But she is no longer in any pain. She is now beginning her eternal life in Heaven with our Lord and Father God Almighty.

May we all be blessed enough to see you when we get to the other side, Melissa. Until then, rest in peace...

S - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM



“ *Becky and family, Melissa was such a kind and compassionate young woman with whom I had the pleasure of interacting with on a regular basis. I feel so priveledged to have known her. I will deeply miss her beauty that shined through her pain. She will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this most difficult time. Sending comfort, strength and anything else you all may need in the days to come. May Melissa rest in peace.*

Sarah Murray-Cooper - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM



“ *I did not have the chance to know Melissa but I heard how amazing she was and what an amazing friend she was. May she RIP*

Lauren Nicole - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MA

“ Hi,

I just want you to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. May the Lord give you strength and peace - knowing that He is taking care of Melissa now. She is just beginning the journey of the rest of her life, she is without pain, she is free. I didn't know Melissa personally, but through a chronic pain Facebook page. I know she had such wonderful support through you, and she will thank you forever for that. Know that she waiting for you - and you will be together for eternity someday. May God guide you though this, as you touch others' lives with Melissa's story - which will always be remembered here on earth and in the realm of her Heavenly Father.

*God bless all of you,
Mary*

Mary - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

AM

“ *I did not know Melissa personally, but when I heard what had happened I felt her pain. I myself suffer from chronic migraines and I understand the pain and sadness she was in. I will keep your family in my prayers and I hope God puts his loving arms around your family to heal.*

Amy Myers - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

PA

“ Sweet Melissa,

I have never had a chance to speak with you personally, but I understand your struggle and love you for the person you were and for the battle you so courageously fought.

To Melissa's family:

Please accept my heartfelt condolences; I only knew Melissa through our shared facebook account. I am a fellow Chronic Migraine sufferer and acknowledge Melissa's fight and courage.

May God Bless you all...

Rest in Peace, Sweet Melissa

Paula J. Albers - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MW

“ *To the Dwyer Family and friends, I've known of Melissa since she grew up within Beecher and she participated in many of the same activities and classes with my own daughter. At times, I remember those days when the kids use to have a lot of fun. It was very disheartening to hear that she had been suffering for some time and then now, this very untimely passing. Please accept my condolences at your loss and I hope that you find comfort in that she is suffering no more.*

Mike Wiegele - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

JA

“ *My deepest sympathy to Melissa's family and friends.*

Janeen - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

TT

“ I too suffer from chronic migraines. I belong to a few FB groups, including the one Melissa was a member of. People need to wake up and understand just how bad the suffering from migraines is. I will continue to fight in the name of Melissa and many others. She will be greatly missed.

Terri- FB friend

Terri Tabler - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DB

“ To the family and friends of Melissa,

May I offer my condolences on the loss of your dear Melissa. I know that losing her at such a young age makes your loss even greater. May your happy memories of Melissa lessen your grief. At least now she is no longer in pain.

Love and hugs,

Diane Bullock

Diane Bullock - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

LL

“ We are all sad in this parting of a family member to you. Please express our condolences for all the family

Linda Lovatt-Mayenschein - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CI

“ Sorry for your loss, such a beautiful girl.

Cindy - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MG

“ Our hearts are heavy for your loss, we didn't know Melissa but we know her pain and as a parent how that effects you everyday. My God wrap you in his loving arms. Our thoughts and prayers are with you

Michelle & Megan Gilliam - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. She was so young. Too young to die. I have had those terrifying headache's. I understand. Praying to Jesus for her parent's, family and friend's. Love in Jesus Christ, Bambi

Bambi Fairchild - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DA

“ My heart goes out to her loved ones. I did not know Melissa but I also live with chronic migraines and cluster headaches. I have only love for those who knew her, in my own way relate to this tragic situation. It is my own children who help me carry on. It is a beautiful thing to use this tragic event to try and help others like myself who truly suffer with this horrid condition.

Darby - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DG

“ I am very sorry for the loss of your daughter. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I hope you can find strength in this difficult time.

Dawn George - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DL

“ Dear Becky & the entire family:

I wish I could adequately capture in words how incredibly sad I am that your sweet Melissa is gone from this earth.

Losing a member of our Migraine community is always horrible, but to lose someone so young seems especially tragic and unfair.

Knowing she had the support of a loving family during her journey with Chronic Migraine has always made me grateful for her. So many don't have that.

I know there is truly nothing any of us can say to take away your hurt. I can only hope our expressions of love and support help even the tiniest bit.

I hope her suffering has been taken away in the afterlife.

*With love and prayers,
Diana Lee*

Diana Lee - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SC

“ I am so sorry for your loss.

I know the pain is crushing and feels unbearable. I lost a brother under similar circumstances in December 1991. My only advice is allow yourself to grieve, let your close friends and family be strong for you.

I never met Melissa personally but her beautiful soul was visible in her posts of encouragement to others on the CMA site. I believe she is now at peace and forever free of pain.

Sue Cohoon - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

GM

“ We are sending our deepest sympathies from the group Migraineur Misfits. I am spreading the word for individuals to donate to the American Headache and Migraine Association in Melissa's memory. I am so very sorry for your loss. I have donated as well, and my heart goes out to you all. â™¥

Gueneviere & Migraineur Misfits - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BF

“ My heart is breaking for this beautiful child and her family. I am a parent of a chronic migraine sufferer, so I know how they hurt . Let's hope the medical profession can find a way to alleviate their pain so this never happens again. Melissa will shine down on us from above, she is that new twinkle you see in the sky, a star to shine for eternity. God Bless

Brenda Floyd - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KS

“ I am so sorry for your loss such a sweet young beautiful lady my best wishes to all her family..xx

Kathy Spyridakos - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

JA

“ My most sincere and deepest sympathy for your tragic loss. Heartfelt sympathy.

Jackie - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

TR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Melissa's family and friends! May she now rest in peace!

Tracy - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

LI

“ I was a member of the same chronic migraine facebook page as Melissa. I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts.

Lisa - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DP

“ Though I never met Melissa personally, I understood her pain all too well...I too am a Chronic Migraine Sufferer and a member of CMA. I can not begin to understand the grief and loss your family must be feeling right now...I hope you find comfort in the memories of her.. and knowing that she is no longer suffering ..no longer in pain. My deepest condolences to your family during this very sad and difficult time. She's gone but certainly will never be forgotten.
Danielle Rickabaugh Parks

Danielle Rickabaugh Parks - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

EG

“ I did not know Melissa, but her death has touched all of us in the headache community. My 22 year old son has suffered from chronic cluster headaches for three years and I know the agony of watching the child you love in unrelenting pain, day after day. Melissa was a beautiful young woman and I know that her spirit will live with you forever. Please accept my most sincere condolences. You and Melissa are in my heart and prayers.

Ellynn Szoke - Cluster Headache Support Group - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

AC

“ I can't imagine the hard moment your family is going through...we lost a very beautiful and incredible person due to the pain of migraines....heaven has a new angel
My deepest condolences

Alejandra Cavanillas - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

LB

“ Dear family of Melissa,

I knew Melissa briefly as part of an online community of migraine sufferers. I know her as someone who loved being part of that group and receiving cards. I sent her a card and she sent me one back and it made my day. She always wanted to help however she could with migraine awareness. I will never forget her amazing attitude and lovely personality. I am so sad she is gone.

Lisa Benson

Lisa Benson - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

GA

“ Bill and Family -

We are so sorry for your loss. Our hearts are heavy and cannot understand what sorrow this brings to you and your family. May the memories of your beautiful daughter help you through this very difficult time. Our prayers are with you!

Gina and Chuck

Gina and Chuck Ayersman - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DM

“ *I am so sorry for your loss and pray The Lord gives this family peace and strength. I knew her for a very short time but she was always encouraging and such a sweet sweet spirit. Even in the midst of her own pain she reached out to so many with kindness and love. Rest well sweet Angel. No more suffering....your in the arms of The Lord! ~CMA bomber and member*

Daryl Johnson Molnar - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

WB

“ I am also a member of the migraine group with Melissa. I am so sorry for your loss. She will be missed in the group. She touched many of us with her story and it is a story that will continue with the rest of us. My prayers are with you and your family.

Wendy Berkelman - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KP

“ I'm saddened to hear of Melissa's passing. I wish that as a Group we could have helped her during this difficult time. Having Chronic Migraines is not a easy life and I understand how she was feeling. May you RIP Melissa and you will not be forgotten by your CM group members.

My thoughts and prayers are being sent to all of Melissa's family and friends.

Kimberley Piccioni - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CS

“ Our thoughts are with the family and friends of Melissa. Our understanding goes towards the horrible pain Melissa experienced and our tears are for the loss of such a young woman! We will continue to educate for Migraine, Cluster Headaches, chronic pain & all that comes with that. We'll think of Melissa every time a new person joins us & know that we have an angel guiding us to support them the best way ever!!

Rest peacefully~...Pain-Free, forever-

Cluster Headache Support - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lee & Maryjane Markins - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

JH

“ Dear Dwyer Family,
My heart and prayers go out to you and your family and friends. The sadness that has gone through the migraine community at the loss of Melissa runs deep.
Deepest sympathies with gentle hugs. I am so sorry.

Janice Heck - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

JG

“ INDOOR GARDEN BASKET was sent by The whole group of migraine friends at CMA!.Rest in Peace Sweet Melissa. We love you and will never forget you.
Love,
All of your friends from CMA

Jennifer Germain - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CG

“ In hopes that this wonderful soul will return as a guiding angel to so many who suffer in silence. You will be remembered by many, Melissa.

Chris Hannah, The Cluster Headache Support Group - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DW

“ I didn't know Melissa personally, but I met her through our online support group on Facebook, Chronic Migraine Awareness. She was a wonderful support for others when they were faced with the frustration that goes hand in hand with this disease. Always kind, never judgmental, she always had good advice for those who needed it, and was a fantastic listener for those who needed to vent. Know that she was loved and will be missed by many . May she now rest in peace, and may there be peace in your hearts knowing that her words of kindness and support were a great help to many. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Deborah Westfall - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

L(

“ Bill, Becky & Family...I haven't seen you guys since high school days, but I am constantly updated on Beecher happenings by my mom and brother (Pete)...my heart just aches for you right now...such a sad, sad thing...I just wanted you to know that you're all in my thoughts and prayers, may God comfort you and help you get through this.

~Leann

Leann Smith (Deem) - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SF

“ Dwyer Family,

May you receive comfort and healing knowing that Melissa is a very beautiful and courageous young lady. Rest in Peace there is no more unbearable pain and suffering you are in the Mighty Arms of Our Lord Jesus.

Shirley Faulkner - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KN

“ *Melissa, may you rest in peace. To the entire Dwyer family, I send to you my deepest thoughts and prayers. I wish I could be there Wednesday for her services, but Doug's leave doesn't start until next month and the boys are still in school. I will carry with me forever all of the memories of our journey in Job's. I uploaded a picture of Melissa, Erin, and me at Ritual Competition. Oh how mad she was at me when I came to Becky and Bill's the summer I was pregnant with Jaysen and I had to wear a sweater to hid my belly from her because it was suppose to be a secret still.*

Becky, Bill, Erin and Billy I am truly sorry for your loss.

Kendra, Doug, Jaysen, Robert, & Nicole - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

LC

“ *I am so sorry when I first heard what happened I was in shock and still am. During all her pain she was such an inspiration. And even though I am twice her age I so much wanted to listen to Melissa she had such strength and I needed that. Sometimes she would write to me and I so bad wish I could have been like her. In our CM family we form a bond and that bond we never be broken--Never!!! I miss her and my heart is with her and he Amazing Mom and family & friends.....*

Linda Castellano - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CH

“ *~I am so sorry for your loss and the pain you are feeling. May God send comfort to you. I heard of Melissa's death through a Migraine forum. Our community is saddened and many prayers are being offered up on your behalf.*

Cheri Hage - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SB

“ I am a fellow migraine sufferer. I am so sorry for your loss. Will be praying for your family during this difficult time.
Sincerely,
Sherri B.

Sherri Bartholomew - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BM

“ I am so very sorry for the loss your family is dealing with now...words cannot express the sorrow you or any of us in the chronic pain community feel I did not know Melissa myself but as a sufferer of Chronic Migraine I believe I can understand...I hope that she is at peace now never to feel pain or suffering again. My prayers are with your family at this sad time but I encourage you to rejoice in knowing she is no longer suffering that horrible pain she endured day after day after day.

Barbara Mills - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

JS

“ I only met Melissa through our online support group CMA-Chronic Migraine Awareness. She put others ahead of herself and was selfless while she was still suffering so. I am so very sad that we have lost such a kind, loving, beautiful and warm person. My thoughts and prayers are with her family as they go through this very difficult time. She is at rest now and will make a beautiful angel in heaven. May she rest in peace. God's Speed Melissa.

With much love and prayers,
Julie Schreiber

Julie Schreiber - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KW

“ I am a chronic migraine sufferer and member of an online group with Melissa. I want to send my very deepest sympathy and prayers to the Dwyer & Sweet families and friends. She has left us all with wonderful memories of encouragement and compassion. She will be remembered and loved by so many. I pray you will find strength during the difficult times you face today and the days to come.
My condolences and love,
Kathleen Walczak

Kathleen Walczak - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

TR

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss, Sending healing thoughts and prayers to all the family.

Teena Riley - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

AB

“ No one knew the torment,
That you were going through;
We only kept on seeing
What we really wanted to.

We saw the outward smile,
But not your inner pain;
We never really dreamt,
That you would never smile again.

Forgive us if we failed to see,
What we could do to aid;
Or if we failed to comprehend,
How much you were afraid.

We pray your mental anguish,
Will now forever cease;
And that your deep anxieties,
Will be replaced by peace.

We know your pain invaded,
Every single thought you had;
It made you cry internally,
And deeply, deeply sad.

But we in turn remember,
The good times, not the bad;
We remember when you smiled at us,
And not when you were sad.

So when we think about your life,
We won't dwell upon its close;
We'll remember all the good times,
And forget about life's blows.

We'll remember all the happiness,

*The joy and not the tears;
The assurance and the confidence,
And not irrational fears.*

*Our lives have all been better,
Because you have been there;
So now we leave your memory,
In God's all-loving care.*

*May you find the strength to get through this hard time.
My prayers are with you and her friends.
All my love,
Amy*

Amy Black - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CC

“*Sweet Melissa, Heaven has a new angel and your friends have renewed inspiration to fight even harder to spread awareness and continue the work we are doing in your honor. We love and miss you terribly and wish your family peace.*”

Carolyn Cappitelli - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

GG

“*My love and prayers go out to you all. It's sad to see parents having to say goodbye to their child.*”

*Love,
Gus*

Gus Garcia - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MS

“ I will remember your encouraging words that you gave me when I was having a hard time. I have been reading others memories and they make me smile. From what else I can tell was your spirit. Always there for every one. You will not be forgotten

Malinda Sutherland - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

TR

“ There simply aren't words to express my sympathy and sorrow. If I can every do anything for you, please contact me. As requested in the obituary, I have made a donation to the American Headache and Migraine Association in Melissa's honor and memory. May God bless you.

Teri Robert

Teri Robert - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CJ

“ Although I never had the pleasure of meeting Melissa, I did know her from some of the Migraine groups. We, as a community, and I, as an individual, grieve her loss. My heart aches for all of you, and I pray that God's peace and love will sustain you during this difficult time. Cyndi

Cyndi Jordan - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KK

“ Dear Dwyer Family,

Even in the short time since becoming acquainted with Melissa - her beautiful and loving heart was ALWAYS shining through, even in the smallest interactions - even through the worst of her pain. I truly believe that a part of her caring, loving and kind example will remain with all of us. Who knew that someone you had not even had the opportunity to meet in person yet could have such an impact on your life? She clearly did.

I was an advocate for chronic migraine, especially for the young sufferer prior to knowing Melissa, but I can promise you - the impact that she has had on my life will drive me to work with much more intensity for awareness and understanding! I commit to doing this for my own daughter and for the memory of Melissa. She will always be a bright light guiding us to find the answers to relieve the pain and suffering of those with this disease.

May your faith and the knowledge that she is no longer in pain and her body is whole and at peace carry you through the difficult days ahead. She was so incredibly special and will be missed very, very much.

*My sincerest sympathies,
Kate Kopasz*

Kate Kopasz - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MO

“ Dear Dwyer Family -

My heart hurts for you. I wish there was some relief for your pain. Melissa was a loving person who shared with others like me who have coped with chronic migraine and her sharing helped many of us. I hold you all in my heart.

- Megan Oltman

Megan Oltman - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

MF

“ We're so very sorry to hear about Melissa. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Melissa was so sweet and will always be remembered by her contagious smile.

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Swindeman and Family - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KA

“ Dwyer family,
While I do not know any of you personally, a friend was saddened by the loss of this young woman. The friend I speak of is Kat M. Peters. I am friends with her through another site. I wish to offer my condolences because it is sad to see a life go so young. Especially when she was working towards such great things.

Katie - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

CH

“ My heart goes out to your family. I am a member of the migraine community online. May God wrap His merciful arms of Peace around you at this time. God Bless you all.

Cindy Wallace Holt-TN

Cindy Holt - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

TB

“ I didn't know Melissa but as a fellow migraine sufferer, my heart breaks for her family and friends and for her long battle with chronic migraines. I read some of her posts in the past and I'm shocked that none of these top Headache Clinics could help her. No one should have to suffer like that. I have had bad weeks where I thought "if this is my life, I don't want to live like this and would think of my funeral". It's hard to live if you don't have your health and are in such incredible pain. I hope we can bring more awareness to this disease and honor her and find a true cure someday. Such a beautiful girl! Many prayers to you all.

Tara Breese - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SB

“ I am a fellow migraine sufferer, and I wanted to give you my condolences and prayers. Her smile is so unforgettable...

Sara Batchelder - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

RM

“ I'm so sorry to hear this sad news. I met Melissa a couple of times and remember how beautiful she was. Our prayers are with the family.

Rebecca Moulds - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

NG

“ *It's the little things, the small, everyday occurrences that you'll remember. The laughs, the stories, the smiles. And even though it seems like you can never recover from your loss, it is these very memories that will help push the pain away and bring back the smiles.*

"God saw her getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around her and whispered "Come to Me." With tearful eyes he watched her, and saw her pass away. Although we loved her dearly, we could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best."

Nancy S. Giannetta - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

RM

“ *My thoughts and prayers to all of the families involved during this most difficult time.*

RaeAnn Hartke Minter - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

JR

“ *Dear Dwyer and Sweet Families,*

I didn't know Melissa personally. We were both members of a Facebook group regarding head pain. I just want to express my condolences to you. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. May you find comfort in your memories of Melissa.

Julie Rodecker - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

WP

“ My heart goes out to the family of Melissa. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers.. I too suffer from migraines and pray that they can come up with a cure, so that people don't have the suffer like her. Again, your all in my prayers.

Sincerely, Wendy Palmer

Wendy Palmer - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

TR

“ My heart and prayers go out to your entire family. Rest assured, the migraine community is mourning with you and we will not let her be forgotten.

Tammy Rome - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

ML

“ Could we ever forget your sparkling eyes.
or the way you brightened each day,
or your smile which is etched in our memories,
so your never far away.
Could we ever forget those priceless moments?
The answer, of course, is never.
For you were part of our lives for a brief time,
But you'll be part of our hearts forever.

Your family is in our thoughts & prayers....

*All my love,
Melissa*

Melissa Lorello - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SU

“ *My thoughts are with you at this sad time. x*

Sue - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

DB

“ *Don't think of her as gone away, Melissa's journey has just begun*

Think of her as resting from the sorrows and the tears. Melissa is in a place of warmth and comfort where there are no days ,years no pain only the joy of being in God's kingdom. Think of her as living in the hearts of those she touched , her sweet smile and caring soul. For nothing loved is ever lost and she was loved so much. God is with all of you. God Bless the Dwyer family.

Deno & Cheryl Berlongieri - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM

KC

“ *Dwyer family,*

My heart goes out to you at this difficult time. Melissa was a beautiful light in my world, and will be missed. I pray for healing for everyone (especially family) whose lives this beautiful angel has touched.

*Much love,
Karen Crow*

Karen Crow - October 02, 2019 at 07:04 PM