



Leah Esther Essendrop

February 23, 2000 - November 12, 2021

Leah Esther Essendrop, age 21 of Hampshire, IL went to be with the Lord on 12 November 2021 from injuries received in a car accident. She was born on 23 February 2000 in Auburn, IN. Leah accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior in 2015 at Cedar River Baptist Camp.

With her ready smile and servant's spirit, Leah made a personal connection with every life she touched whether spending time with family and friends, babysitting her many nieces and nephews, personalizing daily coffee orders at the Hampshire Dunkin' Donuts, or serving in the nursery, children's, camp, and college ministries at Northwest Bible Baptist Church. Leah loved life; she filled her free time with singing; reading; playing violin, cello, and piano; nurturing numerous house plants; sketching, and inspiring joy and laughter in those around her. She recently graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Education and loved investing in her high school math and science students at Northwest Baptist Academy.

She is survived by her grandmothers, Dorothy King, and Patricia Essendrop; parents, Richard and Sherry Essendrop; and nine siblings, Robyn (Josh) Lombardo, Drew Essendrop, Shannon (Phil) Johnson, Valerie Essendrop, Seth (Katherine) Essendrop, Andrea (Kyle) Billquist, Enoch (BreAnna) Essendrop, Audrey Essendrop, and Isaac Essendrop. She was also a proud aunt to her 5 nieces and 4 nephews and was looking forward to meeting two more additions to the family in 2022.

Leah was preceded in death by her grandfathers, Clifton King, and Frederick Essendrop; and her brother, Luke Essendrop.

Funeral services will be held at Northwest Bible Baptist Church, 9N889 Nesler Rd, Elgin, IL on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow in the Hampshire Center Cemetery.

Public visitation is prior to the service from 9:00 to 10:00 am at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Leah's name should be directed to her father, Richard Essendrop, at 19N155 W Woodview Pkwy, Hampshire, IL 60140. Contributions will be donated towards a memorial headstone and equipment for the math and science students at Northwest Baptist Academy.

Cemetery Details

Hampshire Center Cemetery

17N002 Harmony Rd
Hampshire, IL 60140

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Northwest Bible Baptist Church
9N889 Nesler Road
Elgin, IL

Service

NOV 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RP

“ *My heart goes out to the Essendrop family and each of Leah's siblings. The Essendrop family showed me every kindness when I was a college student attending NBBC. Especially this time of year, Robyn would invite me into their home, and the whole family would share in thankfulness with me. I recall the kids all singing during after dinner cleaning. Leah would have been between 5 and 10 years old in those days. May your love and resulting grief for such a sister and daughter and friend be shared in the family home during these days.*

Much love,

Rebekah Palmer

Rebekah Palmer - November 20, 2021 at 05:48 PM

AL

“ *Ali lit a candle in memory of Leah Esther Essendrop*



Ali - November 18, 2021 at 10:07 PM

TR

“ *All our love and prayers for our dear friends !
Prayers for all of u .
Rich and Traci Trogen*

traci - November 18, 2021 at 07:36 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Shawn DeLotch - November 18, 2021 at 02:59 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



November 18, 2021 at 12:23 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



November 17, 2021 at 02:53 PM

JL

“ Enjoyed meeting Leah at Josh & Robyn’s wedding! She was such a happy full of life person! We enjoyed and got to hear her sing at the wedding. Leah will be missed greatly! Praise the Lord we know you are in Heaven! Love & Prayers to the family! Love the Lombardo’s.



James & Darlene Lombardo - November 17, 2021 at 02:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



November 17, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



November 17, 2021 at 12:44 PM

RL

“ So many happy memories...We will miss you Leah!



Robyn Lombardo - November 17, 2021 at 12:13 PM

TR

Such beautiful pictures and the memories that go with them.

traci - November 20, 2021 at 02:40 PM

PB

“ Pastor Edward Mast & Old Paths Baptist purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



Pastor Edward Mast & Old Paths Baptist - November 17, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



November 17, 2021 at 08:09 AM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Leah Esther Essendrop.



November 16, 2021 at 09:58 PM