



## Bethany Marie (Woolum) Caudill

June 21, 1979 - July 14, 2018

Bethany Marie (Woolum) Caudill, 39, of Columbus Ohio, went to be with Her Lord at 1:56 am Saturday July 14, 2018, after a sixteen and a half year battle with Neuroendocrine Cancer.

Born in Gallipolis, OH, the daughter of Gene and Pat (Flood) Woolum, Bethany was raised to love God and all His creation. Bethany attended the Christian Life Academy and Jackson High School, where she developed a passion for music, drama, and science, and graduated as Valedictorian of Jackson High School's Class of 1997. While attending College at the University of Rio Grande, Bethany was part of the Grande Chorale, where she met her husband and champion James Wesley "Jimmy" Caudill. Bethany graduated Summa Cum Laude with a degree in Environmental Science in 2001, and returned to Rio after her cancer diagnosis to earn a degree in Medical Technology with the goal of contributing to research that would one day end cancer. Bethany was employed at the The Ohio State University Arthur G James Cancer Hospital in the Cell Therapy Lab, where she was able to help patients find their cure. Bethany was an active member of the Columbus Music Scene, with her band The Clarence Light Orchestra, and sang praises to God as a member of the worship team at the Grove City Church of The Nazarene. Bethany organized a charity fundraising concert, Country For A Cure, that to date has raised \$10,000 for Neuroendocrine Cancer Research and Patient Education at The Ohio State University.

Bethany was known by everyone for her bright smile, her beautiful voice, and her passionate caring soul. Of all of the accomplishments in her life, Bethany considered her greatest as that of the birth of her precious son Waylon Reed Caudill.

Bethany is survived by her husband, Jimmy Caudill and son, Waylon Reed, her parents, Gene and Pat Woolum, her sister, Amy (Courtney) Hutchinson, her nephews, Caleb and Josh Hutchinson and Jamie and Aengus Montgomery, and her special niece, Emily Marie Hutchinson, many aunts, uncles, and cousins, and friends that she held dear to her heart, and a very special friend and band mate, Jesse Keith Edwards.

Bethany was preceded in death by her grandparents, Hellen Flood, Ted Flood, George Woolum, and Garnet Woolum, aunts, MaryAnn Pauley, and Rita McKibben, and cousin, John Woolum Jr.

A Celebration of The Life and Testimony of Bethany Marie Caudill will be held on Tuesday July 17, 2018 at Elevate Ministries in Jackson Ohio. The family will welcome friends, family, and guests from 2:00 pm until 6:00 p.m. with the Celebration Service beginning at 6:00 p.m. Arrangements are under the direction of the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home in Jackson.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation at the WesBanco Jackson Main Street Office toward the newly formed Bethany Woolum-Caudill Scholarship Fund, which will be awarded to Jackson High School students who share Bethany's passion for music.

Though Bethany may not be with us on this earth, we rejoice in knowing that one day we will see her perfect body and hear her voice again in Heaven.

# Previous Events

## **Celebration of Life and Testimony Visitation**

JUL 17. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

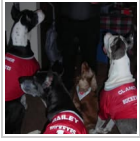
Elevate Ministries  
Kessinger School Rd.  
Jackson, OH 45640

## **Celebration of Life Service**

JUL 17. 6:00 PM (ET)

Elevate Ministries  
Kessinger School Rd.  
Jackson, OH 45640

# Tribute Wall



“ I have been keeping the Woolum and Caudill families in my prayers and will continue to do so. I was out of town last week and was unable to attend the services for Beth, but was certainly thinking of you all, especially my former coworkers Pat and Peggy. May God bless you all with strength, comfort, and peace. Love to all...

Erin Stiffler - July 21, 2018 at 05:13 PM

VK

“ I worked with Bethany at OSU. Her smile lit up the whole lab. She never stopped smiling even if it was a bad day. She will be missed. Keep on smiling Bethany.

Vickie Kerscher - July 17, 2018 at 07:13 PM

FG

“ Floretta(Hutchinson) Garcia sent a virtual gift in memory of Bethany Marie (Woolum) Caudill

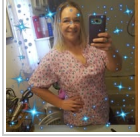


Floretta(Hutchinson) Garcia - July 17, 2018 at 09:38 AM

SB

“ I know Bethany from the years that we worked together at Ohio State, and I will always remember her cheerful spirit and her love for all of her family.

Stefanie Marie Brown - July 16, 2018 at 07:51 PM



“ Kathryn Peoples sent a virtual gift in memory of Bethany Marie (Woolum) Caudill



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**Kathryn Peoples** - July 16, 2018 at 07:09 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Bethany Marie (Woolum) Caudill.



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July 16, 2018 at 06:40 PM



“ I met the Woolum family at The Good Shepard Wesleyan Church on Mound Street, many years ago. I was in middle school at the time and my sisters were about the same ages as Amy and Beth. I have always loved Pat and Gene, they are wonderful people with an amazing family. I am so sorry for your loss of Beth, but I know that you all have incredible faith and you will be together again some day. I have never had the privilege of meeting Beth's husband or their son. I am sending prayers for the whole family, hold on tight to each other. Love to all!



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**Kris Elliott Miller** - July 16, 2018 at 04:55 PM

MP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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mike perkins - July 16, 2018 at 04:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Bethany Marie (Woolum) Caudill.



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July 16, 2018 at 01:48 PM

“ I met Bethany and Jimmy through church and while I have only known them a year they quickly became bonded to my heart.

One of the things in particular with Bethany was something from this past May. We had rented a handicap van to take my mom out for Mother's Day weekend and I was posting pictures all the time to share the adventures. In commenting on the pictures Bethany kept asking "Where's Sue in the pics?!" That challenged me. I am one to enjoy from behind the scenes and Bethany was challenging to be *IN* the moment and not just behind the moment. In that split second of one little comment Bethany challenged me to believe in myself and value myself as much as I value others. That has taken me places in the last 3 months and is one of the little things which have left a huge impact in my life.

Another thing that bonded our hearts was church. We had gone through some changes at church which were hard at the time. It was one of the first weeks after the changes and when I walked into the Worship Center wondering what familiar faces I might see my face lit up when I saw Bethany on stage and Jimmy behind the sound board. I smiled ear to ear and had to literally run up on stage to give her a *HUGE* hug and just feel the relief of something familiar again. In an uncertain time she brought such Joy to my life and gave me that sense of connection. Months later when I was feeling disconnected she called me out on FB telling me I was family and if I ever needed anything I better call (remember, other than church and Facebook we really didn't have much contact).

We didn't really know each other well yet she quickly called me family, challenged me as such, and pushed me along in my faith not only in myself but most importantly in God. She was a blessing, a gift, and her influence continues in my life as I see things in her - how she was "Jesus in skin" - and I am reevaluating things I need to change to follow Christ with the zeal for life she showed.

In a short period of time she has taught me to not just be alive but to

*LIVE and enjoy the moment in front of me NOW before I miss it!  
And I intend to carry on that legacy for the rest of my days. And to  
always "keep smiling" above circumstances, because "to live is  
Christ" and that brings pure joy. She packed a punch in my life in  
just a year and I am SO blessed!*

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**Sue Bowles** - July 16, 2018 at 12:37 PM