



Erin Lynn Lannen

May 22, 1984 - March 18, 2023

Erin Lynn Lannen, 38, of East Point, GA, passed away peacefully in her home on March 18, 2023, surrounded by her loved ones. Erin was born on May 22, 1984, to Tammie White Smalley and Keith Smalley in Riverdale, GA. She married the love of her life, Kevin Lannen, on March 2nd, 2009.

Erin was a talented writer who made a significant impact in her community as the Communications and Event Marketing Manager for the ATL Airport District. A lifelong learner, she earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Georgia, a M.A. in Community Psychology and Social Change from Penn State University, and a M.A. in Writing and Digital Communications from Agnes Scott College.

Erin loved to explore new places and endeavored to visit as many national parks as she could following her cancer diagnosis in 2020. Glacier and Arches were among her favorite national park adventures with Kevin. Other favorite pastimes with her soulmate included attending concerts of their favorite bands, curling up on the couch with their rescue Pitbull, George, to cheer on the Georgia Bulldogs, or simply being together without anything in particular to do. Erin and Kevin absolutely adored each other and were happiest when they were together.

She had a keen eye for style and design and could pick out any gem to be

found in a vintage shop. She enjoyed spending hours browsing stacks of vinyl albums with her mom. Her signature funky glasses and eclectically curated home décor reflected her vibrant and warm personality. Throughout her battle with a rare and relentless cancer, Erin was an open book. She candidly shared the realities of living with an incurable disease with her unique voice and brilliant sense of humor. Her bravery and determination to fight to the very end has been an inspiration to all who knew her.

A fierce advocate for social justice, Erin always stood up for those in need. She was thoughtful, outspoken, and passionate, and her love knew no bounds. To honor her dedication to equality, a memorial fundraiser benefiting an organization close to her heart, Lost-n-Found Youth, has been set up to accept donations in lieu of flowers.

All who knew and loved Erin are welcome to attend a celebration of life, which will be held on Sunday, April 2nd from 3 – 6 PM at Arches Brewing, located at 3361 Dogwood Dr, Hapeville, GA 30354.

Tribute Wall



“ *Just found out about Erin's passing today and I'm so sorry, Erin. You were always so sweet, full of life, funny and really loved the vintage graphic tees that I would carry in my shop! Every time I saw you, I knew you would appreciate the new arrivals in tees I would have and you would grab all of them. I appreciated your support so much and it was always a joy chatting with you. I'm lucky to have known you.*

Lesly Washington - November 29, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ *Erin,*

You were a light on this Earth! I'll never forget you & Heather traveling out to Oklahoma for my wedding and seriously it would not have been half as fun with out all the laughs we shared! I'm flooded with memories of the times we shared drinks & swapped stories. I'm fortunate to have know such a wonderful, fun loving & adventurous friend in you Erin!

Sarah Petway - April 01, 2023 at 02:03 PM



“ Oh Erin,

You were always a light, bundle of laughter and the only one who could ever match Mrs. Gaskins in satire and sarcasm. Your love of life is a beacon of inspiration to me. The way you loved your husband and how he lived you- is the embodiment of someone finding their “person”. You were and are amazing, resilient and so many other words that can’t even begin to describe all that you are. Fly High Erin and may your next transition be a beautiful one.

Love Always,

Jonnie

Jojo Irvin - March 24, 2023 at 06:23 PM

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Missing my granddaughter love you

Florida white - March 25, 2023 at 01:07 PM

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Very sad

Florida white - March 25, 2023 at 07:29 PM

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I did the pregnancy test on your Mom when she first found out about you. She could hardly control her excitement and her joy. She loved you from that moment and always will. You were everything that any Mom would be proud of and oh how you made her proud! You are loved by so many and will be greatly missed until the day we are all together again!

Amy Hoke - March 28, 2023 at 01:38 PM

CC

“ Erin, you were the first friend I made as the new kid in high school. You adopted me into your friend group and invited me to eat lunch at your table when I knew no one. Effortlessly cool, smart as a whip, radiantly beautiful, and wholeheartedly accepting, you were an inspiration to me from the get-go. I will always cherish our memories together meeting up at discount college night Braves' Games heckling players from the outermost nosebleed section of Turner Field, you being the loudest and most spirited of us all.

There's so much of you that I admire. Your courage of conviction, your candor and wit, your nuanced perspectives on life.. Your authentic laugh, thick as molasses southern drawl, twinkling eyes of mischief with matching cheeky smirk, dazzling smile.. The Queen of sarcasm and master of debate but at the same time diplomatic, complimentary, and gracious. Your unbound kindness to others.. the perfect package of a human.

Thank you, Erin, for blessing me that first day of school. Little did I know I was meeting an angel on Earth. I love you and til we meet again, beautiful.. 💖🙏

Clare C. - March 24, 2023 at 11:45 AM

CW

“ My beautiful Cousin Erin touched my life in so many ways. Her support and love for me was unwavering and she was truly there for me through so much and I her. I'll miss our weekly text rants and i'll miss her hugs and hearing her laughter and just her presence in my life. The void in my heart that was Erin will forever be felt.

Cera White - March 24, 2023 at 10:37 AM

MR

“ I’m sorry and saddened by the loss of your sweet Erin. She’s my 4th cousin, whom I never had the pleasure of meeting. Wish I could have met her, I’m sure she would have made a wonderful loving, lasting impression on my life. My love, prayers and condolences for my cousins Flo, Tammie, Cheryl, Larry, Anna and the entire family. May you always cherish her memory. ❤️ Fly high sweet Angel. ❤️
Love, Maria Roark

Maria Roark - March 23, 2023 at 09:23 PM

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“ Erin is my granddaughter she gave me the name Nana banana I will miss her forever my heart is broken God has a beautiful angel her granddad Carl white is wating for her they always cooked on the carport



Florida white - March 23, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Erin Lynn Lannen.



March 23, 2023 at 04:06 PM