



Kristen Newell

July 29, 1980 - June 17, 2025

Kristen Nichole Newell, age 44, of Jackson, Missouri passed peacefully to meet her Lord and Savior Tuesday June 17th at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, surrounded by her loving family and close members of her church family.

Kristen was born July 29th 1980 in Cape Girardeau to Gene and Beth Newell.

She was a lifelong faithful member of Christ Gospel Church in Millersville, Missouri, where she served in many capacities over the years, most recently as a Lay Minister, as well as the Adult Sunday School teacher, and she walked hand in hand with her pastors helping them wherever she was needed. Kristen was often referred to as Aunt Kiki, or Kiki by her niece, nephew and many other church and family children who she loved spending time with.

She worked at Anthem Blue Cross-Blue Shield for 26 years, where she was a dedicated employee and a great teammate, who was respected for her technical expertise.

Those who knew Kristen, loved her. She was so giving, loving and nurturing to everyone she met. She had two loves in this life, God and her family. She was selfless and always made sure everyone she loved was taken care of, no

matter what it was. She gave everyone she met an opportunity to know Christ, from the life she lived.

She is survived by her loving parents; her brother, Kyle and sister-in-law, Erika; nephew, Jarrett; niece, Grace all of Jackson; and many other family members and church family she was close to and loved so much.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm Monday, June 23, 2025 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau and also 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at Christ Gospel Church of Millersville.

Her home going service will begin at 12:00 pm Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at Christ Gospel Church of Millersville with the Rev. Chris Deegear officiating.

Interment will be at Old Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery in Millersville, Missouri

Memorials may take the form of contributions to the Christ Gospel Church of Millersville or World Vision (<https://www.worldvision.org/sponsor-a-child>)

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Old Salem Cemetery

Millersville, MO 63766

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **23**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Visitation

JUN **24**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Christ Gospel Church
210 State Hwy BB
Millersville, MO 63766

Funeral Service

JUN **24**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Christ Gospel Church
210 State Hwy BB
Millersville, MO 63766

Tribute Wall

SA

“ My heart goes out to the Newell family. This loss has to be every parent’s nightmare. I was fortunate to have Kristin in third grade. She was such an endearing little girl with the most beautiful curly hair and sweet smile. Her goodness reads like it followed her into her adult life. My sympathy to all of you in this personal loss.

Sherron Alexander - June 23, 2025 at 02:30 PM

RM

“ Gene and Beth, I’m so sorry for your loss! I knew Kristen from Blue cross when we were at the office. I work at home now but she was always friendly. I can’t imagine your pain of losing a child. Prayers for your family.

Robin Meier-McQuay - June 23, 2025 at 02:00 PM

JD

“ I've known Kristen since we were teenagers. My heart hurts knowing such a wonderful, loving, and caring friend is no longer with us on earth. But I'm also comforted and rejoicing that she is where her heart has longed to be. She will be deeply missed by so many of us, and she is forever in our hearts. Sending prayers and all my love to the Newell family.

Jolie Holland Duncan - June 23, 2025 at 12:59 PM

JD

“ Jolie Holland Duncan purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Kristen Newell.



Jolie Holland Duncan - June 23, 2025 at 12:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kristen Newell.

June 23, 2025 at 12:16 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kristen Newell.



June 23, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kristen Newell.

June 23, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ The Carlisle Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kristen Newell.



The Carlisle Family - June 22, 2025 at 01:00 AM

DF

“ Dan, Amy, Janie and the Hayes family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kristen Newell.



Dan, Amy, Janie and the Hayes family - June 21, 2025 at 12:44 PM

DF

“ Dan, Amy, Janie and the Hayes family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristen Newell.

Dan, Amy, Janie and the Hayes family - June 21, 2025 at 12:44 PM

RM

“ Rev.larry & Venita Matthews purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kristen Newell.



Rev.larry & Venita Matthews - June 21, 2025 at 12:24 PM

RM

“ Rev.larry & Venita Matthews planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristen Newell.

Rev.larry & Venita Matthews - June 21, 2025 at 12:24 PM

RR

“ *Rev Michael and Barbara Riordan purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kristen Newell.*



Rev Michael and Barbara Riordan - June 21, 2025 at 10:00 AM

TF

“ *The Love family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Kristen Newell.*



The Love family - June 20, 2025 at 05:51 PM

LY

“ *I met Kristen at several July Conventions, and she was very kind. She had the light of Jesus in her, and a caring heart for those she was around. My condolences! -Lauren Y. (Dayton, VA CGC)*

Lauren Y. - June 20, 2025 at 10:25 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kristen Newell.*



June 20, 2025 at 10:07 AM

VT

“ Vickie Tankersley purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Kristen Newell.



Vickie Tankersley - June 20, 2025 at 09:44 AM

VT

“ Vickie Tankersley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristen Newell.

Vickie Tankersley - June 20, 2025 at 09:44 AM

AL

“ Kristen was a very kind and caring person. I had a lot of respect for her. I was so saddened and shocked when I heard she had gone to be with our heavenly father.

I met Kristen when we worked together at BCBS. She was a good person and I remember that she always kept her bible on her desk until one day she was told to keep it in a drawer or cabinet. That was the first time I had ever experienced something like that. I admired her to keeping her bible close to her and couldn't believe she was asked to put it away. That day was forever in my memory.

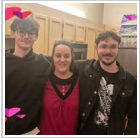
Amanda Lowe - June 20, 2025 at 09:44 AM

WT

“ With love, Tonya, Brenda and Travis purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Kristen Newell.



With love, Tonya, Brenda and Travis - June 19, 2025 at 10:37 PM



“ Kristen was a wonderful woman and friend, and will be missed SO much.

We always talked about historic places we had each visited since the last time we saw each other... and about volleyball. Her niece and my son are close in age and both play. She was the most majestically happy aunt ever!



Heather Stiles - June 19, 2025 at 09:55 PM

TP

“ We will surely miss our dear Kristen — my dear friend Kristen. She was truly one of the kindest, most genuine souls I’ve ever known.

Kristen had a heart that always beat for others — her concern, compassion, and love were not just words, but actions that touched everyone lucky enough to know her.

She gave of herself so freely and made this world brighter with her presence. Her laughter, her strength, her unwavering encouragement will be missed deeply.

I find comfort knowing she’s now among the cloud of witnesses, cheering us on from above — just like she always did in life.

Rest in peace, Kristen. You’ll never be forgotten. ❤️

To Kristen’s family, you are in our prayers!!!

*Sincerely,
Tameka Price*

Tameka Price - June 19, 2025 at 06:33 PM

RM

“ Robert & Peggy McKim purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kristen Newell.



Robert & Peggy McKim - June 19, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“ Robert & Peggy McKim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristen Newell.

Robert & Peggy McKim - June 19, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Kristen Newell.



June 19, 2025 at 03:56 PM