



Mollie Michelle Heaberlin

October 5, 1967 - April 23, 2020

Mollie Michelle Heaberlin, a teacher and mother of two, died on April 23rd, 2020 after a heroic battle with cancer. She was 52. Memorial services pending through Mowery Funeral Services.

Mollie was born on October 5th, 1967 in Parsons, Kansas, the daughter of Barbara and Jerry Abbott. Mollie grew up in Weatherford. She described her life as perfect until her sister Jennifer was born.

The daughter of two musicians, Mollie began playing piano at an early age. Her mother was her first piano teacher. Mollie excelled at piano and later studied the flute.

When she was a teenager, Mollie and her family moved to Broken Arrow. She attended First Methodist Church and was a member of the Broken Arrow High School Pride Marching Band.

Mollie graduated from high school in 1985. She studied English at Oklahoma City University and later, held various administrative positions in education, insurance and medicine.

In 1996, she married Tony Heaberlin, instantly creating a family of three with son Collin Heath.

In 1999, she gave birth to her son Casey Heaberlin. Mollie began teaching at the Montessori Learning Academy where Casey was a student. She said she fell in love with teaching and wanted to dedicate herself to education. After five years, she took over operations at the school becoming Director-Teacher Leader at the school and helping to rename it Christian Montessori Academy.

Mollie and her family lived in Tulsa for almost 15 years. In 2011, she and her family moved to a ten-acre farm just outside Owasso, naming it the Tin Star Ranch. Mollie said she loved the peace and quiet of the country. She enjoyed watching the many birds, deer and other wildlife that roamed the ranch.

Mollie retired from Christian Montessori Academy at the end of 2019 due to health concerns. She had taught there for 18 years and, prior to her retirement, studied to become a certified personal trainer. Mollie worked part-time at Drive Fitness in Owasso helping clients maintain a healthy lifestyle and reach their fitness goals.

Survivors include her husband, Tony, sons Casey Heaberlin and Collin Heath and his wife

Becca. Other survivors include her parents Barbara and Jerry Abbott and sister Jennifer White, and her husband Paul along with in-laws Ken and Kathy Heaberlin, her ex-husband Walter Heath and many aunts, uncles and cousins and her dog, Max.

In lieu of flowers, family and friends are encouraged to donate to the CMA-Mollie Heaberlin Legacy Scholarship at Regent Bank www.montessorilearning.org, the Bailey Education Foundation at Bailey Medical Center in Owasso

www.baileyeducationfoundation.com or Porta Caeli House, a hospice facility in Tulsa www.portacaeli.org.

Comments



“ The typical stereotype when you think of a principal/director is mean, strict, sometimes and intimidating, and although Mrs. Heaberlin could be intimidating, she was also so much more. I used to spend so much time being scared of her or intimidated, but then once I got into her classroom, I had a very different perspective. She was funny, but serious at the same time. How can a person do that? How can a person be so professional and also make you feel right at home, at the same time? Mrs. Heaberlin helped me so much with my confidence and of course my schoolwork. She was such a strong, independent, and smart woman. I remember thinking one time that I was so glad to have her as a role model in my life. So now, even though I can't see Mrs. Heaberlin, she will continue to be a major role model in my life and always has been.

-Isabella Doering

Isabella Doering - May 06 at 12:17 AM



“ She was a great teacher she was one of my favorites and I miss her very much.
- Will Warfel

Mrs. H is the reason we've been part of the CMA family for the past 10 years. She was a wonderful influence on so many children and personally helped me with many parenting and life challenges. I always admired and appreciated her approach with everyone she interacted with. You could always count on her for her brutal honesty and high expectations. I know she fought the fight every day for the people she loved and cared about. She will be terribly missed. Praying for her family and loved ones.
- Christine Warfel Schroeder

Christine Schroeder - May 04 at 11:35 PM



“ During my first week at CMA, I was stressed because I hadn't been around students older than me in so long. Mrs. Heaberlin took me out into the hall and gave me a talk about how I was going from a “big fish in a little pond” to a “little fish in a big pond.” I was comforted by knowing that she would be there to help me. The next two years, Mrs. Heaberlin taught me so much, from helping me get past the bullying I had gone through, to bringing me closer to God. Mrs. Heaberlin was such an inspiration not only to me, but to everyone around her. I know that she is at peace, in heaven with God.

Sending prayers,
Renae Collins



“ Kathleen, I wanted you to know how very sad I was to hear the news about Mollie. My deepest sympathy for your loss. Please know that your Rejoice family is thinking of you and your family and praying for you all during this time of sorrow. Where lives pass, memories carry on. I hope you can find peace remembering the good times you have shared as a family.

With deepest sympathy,
Heidi Stark



Heidi Stark - April 29 at 07:52 PM



“ Thirteen years ago I got a phone call from someone called Mrs. H. She said I think our school can help your daughter. I blew her off and she kept after me. I was so afraid to take my child out of public school. Let's say it's the best thing that I could have done for my daughter. She is now 21 years old and thriving in college. My story doesn't stop here, so after some time Mrs. H said hey I would like for you to come and sub at CMA. After much thought I said why not. I fell in love with Montessori. Mollie asked me to stay late one day to talk. I thought hmmm did I do something wrong. No, she wanted me to become certified and be a lead teacher. I laughed and said I don't think so. Well if you no Mollie you know she doesn't give up easily with a no. She kept talking to me. One day she took me to lunch and asked what keeps holding you back? She also said you would make a perfect fit for the school. I listed my many reasons and she had a solution for everyone of them. I had the pleasure to work for her for almost 9 years. The only reason I had to step down is God blessed me with a grand child that needed someone to take care of her. Mollie helped me believe in myself. I will never forget my first year teaching and all my students were three years old. I laughed and said are you trying to see how strong I am. She laughed and said no I want you to grow in your learning with your class. Let me tell you the first four years were my favorite times as a teacher. I got to keep those children for four years and really see how much they learn. I feel it was a great honor to work for Mollie. My love for CMA will always be cherished memories. Much love to her family!!!

Shannon Abbott - April 28 at 03:30 PM



“ To Mollies entire family, Im so saddened by your loss. May our Heavenly Father lift you up in the days ahead. Please find comfort in knowing He is there. Love and Prayers to Tony, the boys, her parents and Ken & Kathy.

Libby Pleasant - April 27 at 11:19 AM



“ I just found out that my sweet cousin passed. Although we had lost touch as families do sometimes I've always had the fondness memories of when we were younger and I am thankful for having the time we did enjoy. My heart grieves for your family .



Wally Moffeit - April 26 at 11:36 AM



“ Teresa Vaughn sent a virtual gift in memory of Mollie Michelle Heaberlin



Teresa Vaughn - April 26 at 10:06 AM



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Teresa Vaughn - April 26 at 09:32 AM



“ Mona Greenwood lit a candle in memory of Mollie Michelle Heaberlin



Mona Greenwood - April 24 at 05:33 PM



“ So sad to see this, but so very happy to have shared an afternoon of relaxed conversation - just the two of us. I love you very much and always will. Your CAM.

Margret Sexton - April 24 at 04:07 PM



“ Tony, Casey and Collin, Dee and I are sending our love and prayers in this time of sorrow. Dee and Glenna Roberts

Glenna Roberts - April 24 at 04:07 PM