



## Deborah Kay Kelley

November 23, 1956 - February 21, 2014

Deborah Kay Kelley of Pilot Knob, MO passed away Feb. 21, 2014 at the age of 57 years, 2 months, and 28 days. She was born Nov. 23, 1956 in Abilene, TX, a daughter of the late Luther Cleveland and Oneta Pearlene Eaker Higginbotham.

On June 25, 1977 she was united in marriage to Edward Kelley, who survives. To this union two children were born; Darren Kelley and wife Tracy of Annapolis and Dana Lynn Kelley and friend Steve of Pilot Knob. Also surviving are 6 grandchildren, Josh and Lauren Rainey, Chase and Layne Kelley and Mackenzie and Alyvia Casey, her mother in law Wanda Kelley, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by a sister Vicki Lynn Higginbotham. Miss Debbie as she was known to the many children that she taught and loved from the depths of her heart, served as supervisor of the East Missouri Action Agency Head Start Program in Pilot Knob and also worked in Sunday School Vacation Bible Schools and other children's activities and music departments in the church's in which she was a member. She was currently a member of the First Baptist Church of Pilot Knob.

For several years, she and Eddie owned and operated Kelley's Kottage of Flowers.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 2 PM from Cole Family Funeral Home with Rev. Alan David and Rev. David Wright officiating.

Visitation will begin on Monday at 4 PM.

Interment will be in the Arcadia Valley Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to the 1st Baptist Church of Pilot Knob. On line condolences may be made at [www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Arcadia Valley Memorial Park

Russellville Road  
Ironton, MO 63650

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home  
210 E Reynolds St  
Ironton, MO 63650  
(573) 546-0742

## Service

FEB **25.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Deborah Kay Kelley*

August 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ *To the family of Deborah Kay Kelley, I'm very sorry about the loss of your loved one. I wanted to share the scriptural hope that gave me so much comfort and I hoped it would help you also. The Bible shows that God did not intend for humans to die. (Romans 5:12). It also calls death an enemy. (1 Corinthians 15:26). God has made arrangements to remove death forever. (Isaiah 25:8). God has also set a time when he will resurrect our loved ones who have already died. (John 5:28,29). In the meantime, he promises to give us the inner peace to cope with our loss. (Philippians 4:7). Please go to [jw.org](http://jw.org) to find satisfying answers using your own Bible. Sincerely, Susan Novak*

Susan Novak - March 04, 2014 at 09:57 AM



“ *Dear Eddie and family, i'm so sorry I didn't make it to Debbie's funeral. I loved her very much and will always remember her for her musical abilities and her beautiful voice will forever be in my heart. I always admired her greatly and she was a wonderful inspiration for me and all the work she did to serve our Lord. God bless you all! Love, Jean E. Crocker-Wren.*



Jean E. Crocker-Wren - February 26, 2014 at 11:18 PM

DB

“ Dear Darren and Tracey,  
WE are so sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one. We pray for your comfort and sorrow, that in time God will wipe away all tears and give you your time to grieve. Just know that he will be there for you through the day and night, just call on him when you need.

*Love in Christ Jesus  
Michael and Deborah Batson*

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**Deborah Batson** - February 25, 2014 at 08:37 AM

JA

“ Jason & Crystal Allgier lit a candle in memory of Deborah Kay Kelley



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**Jason & Crystal Allgier** - February 24, 2014 at 07:13 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Deborah Kay Kelley.



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February 24, 2014 at 01:32 PM

AW

“ *Aubrie Whelan lit a candle in memory of Deborah Kay Kelley*



**Aubrie Whelan** - February 24, 2014 at 12:37 PM

TH

“ *Eddie, I am so sorry for your loss. She was an amazing lady and was very loved. She was amazing with my kids. I will be praying for you and your family. Let me know if there's anything I can do. Tammy Nees Hankins*



**Tammy Nees Hankins** - February 23, 2014 at 09:33 PM

OK

“ *Opal and Bill Kelley purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Deborah Kay Kelley.*



**Opal and Bill Kelley** - February 22, 2014 at 08:20 PM

EG

“ *Eddie and Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss Both you and  
Debbie have always been very special to me  
the fun times we had at Don and Sue , the  
Wedding back to back.and Your special  
friendship to My Aunt Nina.Debbie will be miss very much Please  
find comfort and pease now my friend.God bless you and the family  
and you'll will be in our prayers  
God bless you and give you comfort.*



*Barry and Beth Gersch (Hennessey)*

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**Elizabeth Gersch** - February 22, 2014 at 08:17 AM

MH

“ *Eddie and Family  
I am so sorry for your loss and know what you  
are going thru.You and Debbie were very  
special to me.Sorry I will not be able to be  
here.God Bless and Keep you  
Love and prayers  
Margaret Hennessey*



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**Margaret Hennessey** - February 22, 2014 at 08:05 AM

EG

“ Eddie and Family Barry and I are so very sorry for your loss. Debbie and you are very special people in my life I will always treasure the time we spent together You and the kids are in my prayers God bless you. and give you comfort.

*Loving Prayer*

*Beth and Barry Geresch (Hennessey)*



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**Elizabeth Gersch** - February 22, 2014 at 08:01 AM



“ Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Deborah Kay Kelley.



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February 21, 2014 at 09:40 PM

DE

“ I am comforted by the thought of Debbie catching up with Vicky in Heaven. Her passing leaves a hole in our hearts. She will forever be loved and missed.

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**Diane Eaker** - February 21, 2014 at 09:21 PM

JC

“ JIM AND I ARE SO SORRY TO HER ABOUT DEBBIE OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO YOU AND THE FAMILY.  
JAMES AND DORIS CURTIS  
ROSEBUD MO.

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**JAMES CURTIS** - February 21, 2014 at 09:20 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Deborah Kay Kelley.*



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February 21, 2014 at 09:19 PM



“ *Jim And Doris Curtis lit a candle in memory of Deborah Kay Kelley*



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**jim and doris curtis** - February 21, 2014 at 09:15 PM