



## Sara E. Whitehead

May 19, 1979 - February 29, 2012

Sara Elizabeth Doremus Whitehead was born to Ronald W Doremus and Vicki S Richards Doremus on May 19, 1979 at Geneva, Nebraska and passed away February 29, 2012 at Geneva, Nebraska at the age of 32 years 9 months and 10 days. She was one of three children in the family.

Sara lived in Geneva most of her life. She moved with her family to Monnet, Missouri for a short time then to Temple, Texas. In 1983 she moved back home to Geneva, Nebraska with her family. She attended Geneva Public School and graduated with the class of 1997. Sara enjoyed taking care of people all her life, which started when she was young babysitting. She continued her love of taking care of people when she was in high school by getting her CNA and CMA working at Fillmore County Hospital, Fairview Manor and Heritage Crossings. All of the residents were like her family and she loved them all. Due to health reasons she had to give that up and went back to school at Southeast Community College in Lincoln in Business Administration with an Accounting endorsement. She would have graduated in June of 2012. She helped her mother for the last three years with her tax business. This year she started working for Wilson Accounting which she was enjoying very much.

Sara was married to Patrick L Whitehead of Geneva on August 30, 1998 and to them 1 child was born, Cody Ryan.

Sara was baptized and confirmed in the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Geneva where she was active in Sunday School and Youth Group

while in school. She currently enjoyed playing in the Bell Choir there. She was a Girl Scout for several years and really enjoyed competing with her sister, Jenny, to see who could sell the most cookies. (Mom usually tried to make a tie or as close as possible.) Sara loved gymnastics when she young and would watch the gymnastics in the Olympics and say "Someday I'm going to do that". She played softball and enjoyed being the catcher for her team she also could play other positions. She loved to run for the school track team. Sara was a member of Job's Daughters Bethel #79. Sara played the flute and piano for many years and played beautiful music. She was a member of the Geneva Rescue Squad for a short time but had difficult time because of her health issues. In Sara's world, there was no such thing as a stranger she would strike up a conversation with anybody. She just loved people. Sara had a heart of gold and was always willing to drop everything to help a friend or acquaintance. She was always able to find good in everyone she met. She was a very loving mother to her son, Cody, and was very proud of him. She loved her niece, Andrea, and nephew, Ethan, very much. She would always talk about all three of them with everyone she knew. Family was very important to her. She enjoyed family reunions and getting to see everyone. Sara had a real love for music, laughter, family and friends. Here distinctive laugh and smile will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Sara will be greeted with open arms in heaven by her brother Jeremy Doremus, Grandparents Jesse and Kathleen Garrett Richards and J Walter and Marguerite Kennel Doremus, uncles Robert C Richards and Ronnie L Maynard, and many great aunts and uncles.

She is survived by her son Cody Whitehead, parents Ronald & Vicki Doremus all of Geneva, sister and brother-in-law Jennifer and Adam Rasmussen, niece Andrea Rasmussen, nephew Ethan Rasmussen all of Lincoln. Ex-husband and friend Patrick L. Whitehead of York, NE. Aunts and Uncles Pete and Carole Saiser of Geneva, NE, Gary and Shelia Richards of Georgetown, TX, Mary Maynard of Layton, UT, Dwaine and Mary Willms of Fredrick, CO, Don and Ruby Doremus of Kearney, NE, Bob and Kay Betka, Keith and Pat

Mathiesen all of Exeter, NE, great aunts and uncles, many cousins and a host of friends.

Memorial services were held on Monday, March 5, 2012, at the First Congregational United Church of Christ with Pastors William Switzer and Lynn Strandt officiating. Jenny Eichelberger accompanied the congregation who sang "Some Glad Morning", "This Is A Day Of New Beginnings" and "Amazing Grace." A recorded selection by Taylor Swift "Tied Together With A Smile" was also played. Serving as honorary bearers were Sara's family and friends. A private family committal was held in the Geneva Public Cemetery. Memorials are directed to an Educational Fund for Cody.

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ Ron and Vicki and Cody, I was so sorry to hear of Sara's passing. My heart just breaks for you. Please know that I am praying for your family.

When I read the guest book I smiled when I saw names of former students who have moved far away and sent their condolences for your loss of Sara. How fitting. Sara always made me smile and she continues to do so still.

Someone sent me a card once that said, "Although the voice is silent; the spirit echoes still." May the memories of her playful spirit bring you comfort. Diane

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**Diane Fisher** - March 05, 2012 at 10:39 AM

BJ

“ Sympathy to your family and Sara's son, Cody. Very sad.

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**Bambi Junge** - March 05, 2012 at 10:29 AM

JJ

“ My love and prayers to Ron, Vicky, Jenny and Cody.

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**Jodi Jenkins** - March 04, 2012 at 04:10 PM

KS

“ My deepest sympathy goes to the family of Sara. She was a very sweet girl and will be truly missed by many! My thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time of sorrow.

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**Kali Stanford** - March 03, 2012 at 09:40 PM

GF

“ Ron and Vicki. Our thoughts and prays are with you and your family.

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**Gary Stranske & Family** - March 03, 2012 at 06:25 PM

VJ

“ Words cannot express my deepest thoughts and prayers!!!!

Virginia Johnson - March 03, 2012 at 10:38 AM

JO

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time.  
Sara will be missed!

Jenni Olson - March 02, 2012 at 09:30 PM

NB

“ Very sorry for your loss. The Boyes family's prayers and thoughts  
are with you during this difficult time.

Nick Boyes - March 02, 2012 at 05:12 PM

JG

“ sara, I love you and miss you.. You will truly be in my heart forever  
and you will be missed by many..

Johannah Gamez - March 02, 2012 at 04:27 PM

BF

“ So very Sorry for your Loss.  
Keeping you and your family in My Prayers!

Bridgette Flohrs - March 02, 2012 at 03:57 PM

JR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this trying time. God  
Bless you all!

Jeanne (Rust) Royal - March 02, 2012 at 03:37 PM

AJ

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.

Amber Linde Jindra - March 02, 2012 at 01:54 PM

PB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Paul and Claudia Bohn - March 02, 2012 at 01:50 PM

KH

“ Cody, i'm so sorry to hear about your mom. She was a very fun person to be around and will be dearly missed. I know i'm in Texas but we are keeping you guys in our thoughts and prayers. Love You Cody! Kimi, Danny, Danny Jr and Elizabeth

Kimi Harbin - March 02, 2012 at 01:20 PM

UW

“ Cody, We can't even begin to imagine how you are doing. We were so shocked to hear of your mom's passing. Always remember we love you all and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Be strong and keep in touch. If you need us, for anything, just call, you know where to find us. We love you always Cody, Uncle John and Aunt Lida

Uncle John and Aunt Lida Whitehead - March 02, 2012 at 01:13 PM

NK

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Nichole Koves-Seamann - March 02, 2012 at 12:55 PM

AC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during your time of loss. Sara will be missed. We love you Cody!!

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**Amy Whitehead Carlock** - March 02, 2012 at 12:51 PM

JK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Sara's family and all who knew her...she will forever be in the hearts of many.

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**Jessica Korbelik** - March 02, 2012 at 12:47 PM

LS

“ Thoughts and prayers are with your family during this difficult time. Hang on to the good times.

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**Lisa Stripe** - March 02, 2012 at 11:37 AM

CE

“ Sara we have had alot of good times together and i will never forget that. You will be in my heart forever. i love you with all my heart! and that will never change. Rest in peace. I love you very very much and miss you dearly.

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**Cory Ellison** - March 02, 2012 at 11:34 AM

TW

“ Vicki, Ron and Family: There are no words at this time. I am just so, so sorry about Sara. Do know many of us are thinking and praying for you at this time and in the days ahead. Love and prayers always, Tammy Ward.

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**Tammy Ward** - March 02, 2012 at 10:09 AM

AH

“ Sara- I will never forget the first time I meet you and Corey. Your bubbling personality and laugh! Thank you for your kindness towards me. You will be missed!!

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**Amanda Haumont** - March 01, 2012 at 10:27 PM

TA

“ To Ron, Vicki, Cody, Jenny and family: My heart breaks for you right now. No words can express the sadness that I feel. Sarah is free of her earthly suffering. Put your faith in Jesus and lean on Him. If you need anything Vicki just let me know. Heaven has received a precious angel. In Christian Love, Tina Adams and family

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**Tina Adams** - March 01, 2012 at 07:26 PM

SE

“ So sorry for your loss.

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**Stacey Eberly** - March 01, 2012 at 06:08 PM

AB

“ Sara E. Whitehead

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**Amber Bowman** - March 01, 2012 at 06:00 PM

PA

“ Lifting prayers for your family at this difficult time. Sara will be missed!  
?Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know that are happy. Author Unknown

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**Pamela** - March 01, 2012 at 05:34 PM

EW

“ *Sara will be missed, Our prayers go out to her family and friends.*

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**Eric Williams** - March 01, 2012 at 02:31 PM

JP

“ *We are so sorry for your loss,praying that Sara has found peace,our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Jerry and Linda Pasco** - March 01, 2012 at 02:17 PM