



## Tammie Lynn Pennington

January 14, 1967 - November 13, 2023

Tammie Pennington, 56, passed away on November 13, 2023, at Cox Hospital in Springfield, Missouri. She was the wife of Ricky Pennington. They shared 11 years of marriage together.

Tammie was born in Wichita Falls, Texas on January 14, 1967 to Jerry and Pearlyne Kersey. She graduated from Jefferson City High School in 1985. While in high school, she was a member of the drum line, accompanied the chorale and annual school musical. Tammie attended SBU receiving an associate degree in Business studying music. After attending SBU, Bolivar became her home.

Tammie's job experiences included foodservice management, private piano lessons, and church secretary. Her last job was as bookkeeper for DCBC. She was an accomplished musician. Music was her life, whether playing her flute or accompanying many SBU students whose friendships she continued to cherish after they graduated.

Tammie loved spending time with her family and friends. She was a caring mother and loving grandma who loved to do things with her 5 grandchildren. There was always: coloring, playing games, working puzzles, reading books, and just snuggling. She will be remembered for her baking; she loved to make rolls and bread, and she loved sharing these with her friends.

She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Bolivar. She served in the music ministry of the church using her talents as choir director and playing keyboards. She also adjudicated choral, vocal soloists, and

instrumental students at the National Fine Arts Festival.

She is survived by spouse Ricky Pennington; parents Jerry and Pearlyne Kersey; brothers Jeff (Belinda) Kersey, Mike (Bridget) Kersey; children Matthew (Crystal) Kelley, Casey Kelley (Cody) Mountain, Michael Kelley; grandchildren Cecilia Mountain, Letty Kelley, Carlie Mountain, Cyrus Mountain, Landen Kelley, and many other extended family members.

Funeral services for Tammie will be held at the Bolivar First Assembly of God Church, Friday, November 17, 2023, starting at 10:00 A.M. Visitation will take place Thursday evening, November 16, at the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Breast Cancer Center of the Ozarks.

Services are under the care and direction of Butler Funeral Home of Bolivar.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

S. Dunnegan Ave.  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **16**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar  
407 E. Broadway  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-5233  
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

NOV **17**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Assembly of God- Bolivar  
1320 S. Springfield  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ I was so very sorry to hear of Tammie's passing. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jerald Andrews - November 20, 2023 at 02:26 PM

SH

“ Oh my goodness - I am so sad to hear of Tammie's passing. I was her high school Sunday School teacher and she later became our babysitter. I have been on vacation all week with no internet access and only found out about this on Saturday night. I am so sorry I was unable to attend the services. She was such a fighter and seemed to always have such a great outlook in the midst of all the struggles. Prayers for the family during this difficult time. She will be missed greatly. ~Sarah Hungerford

Sarah Hungerford - November 18, 2023 at 09:25 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tammie Lynn Pennington.



November 14, 2023 at 10:17 PM

 Ann  
Bulmer

“ What a wonderful, kind, loving spirit you are! Knowing you for all these years, seeing your smile and hearing your laugh...such beautiful memories. I know you are with Our Father now and that we will see you again soon. Keep playing music with the angels, my dear. Will love and miss you until I see you again.

Ann Bulmer - November 14, 2023 at 04:01 PM

MR

“ Tammy came into my family's life when I was around ten or eleven years old. From the very beginning, she made herself one of us. She was like a little sister to my mother, and she was like the big sister that I never had. She came into our life as the pianist at our church, Glenstone Baptist. When I was 13 my family moved to Kentucky, and I didn't believe that I would ever see her again. But when I moved back to Missouri to attend college at SBU in 1998, there was Tammy with wide open arms to make me hers again! I was studying vocal music performance in college, and Tammy was first in line to be my accompanist! She accompanied for me all 4 years of college. Tammy was a constant friend and my home away from home. I am so sad to know that I was not able to say goodbye to her. I am so thankful to know that I will see her again someday in the presence of our savior, Jesus Christ. Thank you, Jesus for Tammy and for all of the ways that you constantly blessed me through her faithfulness. Amen.



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**Meredith Reichmann** - November 13, 2023 at 11:51 PM

MB

*My daughter Meredith said it well!! Tammie was a blessing as a friend and yes, she was like a younger sister. She was a blessing as an accompanist for several of the voice students I had the privilege to teach at SBU in the late '80s and as our church accompanist at Glenstone Baptist Church. She was always willing to help out in anyway she could in any situation. We loved her dearly and will always hold her in our hearts. Looking forward to the day we are together again, singing God's glorious praises! Thank you dear for the beautiful life you lived and for the legacy you leave with us. Praying for the family, please know that we love you and are here for you.*

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**Marcia Burgher** - November 14, 2023 at 04:46 PM