



Rachel Ann Conroy

October 23, 1984 - February 25, 2026

Rachel Ann Conroy, age 41 of Mattoon, IL passed away on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at Willow Breeze Hospice House.

A funeral service in her honor will be held at 12:00 PM, Saturday, February 28, 2026, at the Apostolic Center Church, 205 Country Club Road, Mattoon, IL 61938. Reverend Shine Doughty will officiate. A committal service will immediately follow at Dodge Grove Cemetery in Mattoon, IL. The visitation will be held from 9:00 AM until the time of service at the church. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938 is in charge of services.

Rachel was born on October 23, 1984, in Mattoon, IL. She was the cherished daughter of Larry Joe and Julia Faye (Edwards) McKibben. She married the love of her life, James M. Conroy on May 9, 2014, in Mattoon, IL; he survives and resides in Mattoon, IL. She was a proud mother to Sandra Faye Conroy who filled her heart with joy; her son, Liam Conroy of Oakland, IL; two brothers, Joshua David McKibben and wife Miriam Judith of Mattoon, IL, Gabriel Eli McKibben and wife Mara Lorain of Mattoon, IL; two nephews, David Elisha McKibben and Tobias Kip McKibben both of Mattoon, IL. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Jackie J. and Dorothy M. McKibben, maternal grandparents, Billy E. and Carolyn J. Edwards and mother-in-law, Sandra S. Conroy.

A faithful member of the Apostolic Center Church, Rachel lived a life of service to God and her community. She was a teacher in the nursery, where

she loved pouring the love of Jesus into the little ones, and was actively involved in the choir and numerous other ministries. When not serving in the church, she brought her nurturing spirit to her professional work as a devoted paraprofessional at Eastern Illinois Area Special Education in Mattoon, IL. Her dedication to students and staff was a testament to her unwavering devotion to serving.

Rachel was a friend to all. She was the kind of person who never met a stranger and could brighten anyone's day. She loved taking walks, fishing, and losing herself in a good book. But more than anything, she loved being a mom. She was a true prayer warrior who stood in the gap for anyone in need, leaving a lasting impact on everyone she touched.

Though her time on earth was short, her impact was immense. Now she rests in the beauty of His presence.

Memorial donations in her honor may be made to the family to assist with final costs.

Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with the family.

Cemetery Details

Dodge Grove Cemetery

917 North 22nd Street
Mattoon, IL 61938

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Apostolic Center
205 Country Club Road
Mattoon, IL 61938

Service

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Tribute Wall

JE

“ John and Martha Ealy along with Kevin and Jodi Mcgee with little Kevin and Kate Mcgee have sent a tree for Rachel's memorial. She will be missed

John Ealy - February 27 at 08:48 PM

JE

“ John E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rachel Ann Conroy.

John E. - February 27 at 08:39 PM



“ 116 files added to the album LifeTributes



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - February 27 at 04:03 PM

LL

“ Linda, Micheal, and Liam purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Rachel Ann Conroy.



Linda, Micheal, and Liam - February 27 at 01:11 PM

DT

“ I worked with Rachel at Camp New Hope one summer in the kitchen. My condolences to the family and friends for this tremendous loss.

Donna Techau - February 27 at 12:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Rachel Ann Conroy.



February 27 at 12:12 PM



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

February 27 at 12:12 PM

MC

“ Max and Joyce Callaway purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Rachel Ann Conroy.



Max and Joyce Callaway - February 27 at 08:24 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rachel Ann Conroy.



February 26 at 10:33 PM

CA

“ I worked with Rachel at Student Life of Mattoon. EIASE. She was a friend and co worker. I will always remember her and have her memory in my heart. ☹️. Cathy Atkinson.
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Cathy Atkinson - February 26 at 10:19 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rachel Ann Conroy.



February 26 at 07:05 PM



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

February 26 at 05:59 PM



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“ *Where do I begin. So many wonderful memories. From when giving you a bath when you were little and singing "rub a dub Rachel" together, to just a couple of weeks ago bringing you watermelon. To all the in between memories to that I will cherish. I can't even begin to name all your wonderful and amazing qualities. As your old Aunt I could come to you for advice or your opinion and you ALWAYS had the right words for me, you and your Mom are so much alike in that way. I will never Be able to express into words how much I am gonna miss you, how much I was blessed to have you in my life and for giving us Sandy. She is just as amazing, smart and beautiful as her Mother. The world was very lucky to have you in it. Your Faith was and still is inspiring. And you always took the best selfies on our girls trips. I love you so much sweet beautiful Rachel. Your Aunt Paula.*



Dale Spivey - February 26 at 02:27 PM

DK

“ Rachel was a smiling, loving soul. Some of my fondest memories of her were being in our Sunday School class and always ready to participate. Her sweet nature was inspiring.

Dona King - February 26 at 02:25 PM

SG

“ I have so many great memories of you. You are such a beautiful soul. Our summers spent in the pool at your house, Fireworks together as a family, trips together all live in me. Our time together wasnt enough but I dont think it ever would have been. You helped me through so much and always listened despite what you were going through. I will always remember when we stayed up laughing and talking while making the beaded sandals for your wedding. It was a wonderful night I will always remember. I love you so much. Rest peacefully.

Sara Goldsborough - February 26 at 01:44 PM