



Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips

July 28, 1984 - February 24, 2026

Funeral Services for Melissa Dale Phillips "Sassy", age 41, of the Hanging Limb Community, were conducted on Sunday, March 1, 2026, at 2:00 PM from The Chapel of Goff Funeral Home. Nurses Honors were provided by the Tennessee Nurses Honor Guard. Rev. Darrell Harvill and Rev. Robbie Miller officiated and interment followed in the F.A. Norrod Cemetery. Mrs. Phillips was born on July 28, 1984, in Livingston, Tennessee, to Roger Dale and Janet Ann Norrod Miller of the Hanging Limb Community. She passed away on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at the Livingston Regional Hospital. Melissa was a graduate of Monterey High School class of 2002 and of TCAT in Livingston, Tennessee, class of 2024 receiving her LPN Nursing Degree. She worked with Signature Healthcare of Putnam blessing her patients with love and sincere compassionate care. She was lovingly known by many as "Sassy" or "Miss Sassy". She cherished her family and her faith in Jesus Christ more than anything in the world. She was a faithful Bible reader and often found comfort in just holding and hugging her bible. She was a faithful member of Hanging Limb Freewill Baptist Church where she has worshipped and attended since childhood. She always put others before herself and no one was a stranger. Her smile was the biggest gift she could ever give and there is no amount of wonderful things that could be expressed that could share what a wonderful, loving, faithful, Christian person she was known to be. She was survived by her husband of 21 years, Matt Phillips; children, Kora May Phillips, Noah Matthew Phillips, Ethan Duane Phillips; brother and sister-in-

law, Collin and Jenny Miller of Monterey, TN; sister and brother-in-law, Casey and Robert Mullinix of the Hanging Limb Community; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Duane and Laura Phillips of Rickman, TN; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Megan and Chad Burks of Rickman, TN; nieces and nephews, Kyle and Adam Miller, Isaac (Bethany), Gretchen, Aidan, Ava, Calli, Isaiah, Harrison, and Caroline Mullinix, Pierson, Bailey, and Nova Burks; great niece, Kinsley Mullinix; and numerous special friends. The family received friends at Goff Funeral Home on Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM, and on Sunday, March 1, 2026, from 12:00 PM until time of services at 2:00 PM. Arrangements and Care provided by D.M. Goff Funeral Home, Inc., 205 East Cleveland Avenue, Monterey, Tennessee 38574, Phone, 931.839.2311.

Cemetery Details

F.A. Norrod Cemetery

Hanging Limb, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

D.M. Goff Funeral Home, Inc.
205 E. Cleveland Ave.
Monterey, TN 38574
(931) 839-2311
<http://www.gofffh.com/>

Visitation

MAR 1. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Services

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Tribute Wall

CB

“ *Chrissie Brown lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Chrissie Brown - March 19 at 11:38 PM

DZ

“ *I am so sorry for your loss! Melissa was one of a kind. I remember her testimony of when the Lord saved her. She was a wonderful light for Him. I love you all.*

Doris Zellner - March 01 at 12:59 PM

KH

“ *Kacie Hicks purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.*



Kacie Hicks - February 28 at 05:22 PM

JC

“ *Janet, Roger and Family. I am so sorry .. I got to spend around 2 months with Melissa at PT in Monterey nursing home outpatient.. She made my time there extra special.. We would visit while I was doing my PT..She was such a precious sweet girl.. Love you all and praying the you.....*



Janice Clark - February 28 at 03:16 PM

DV

“ Prayers for the families

Larry and Diane Vaughn



Diane Vaughn - February 28 at 02:52 PM



“ Condolences to Matt, the kids, Roger & Janet, Casey and family, Robbie and family, and Carol. I only knew Melissa for a few years, and she was always the sweetest person.



Cheryl Bowman - February 28 at 09:48 AM

VL

“ Vickie LeVine lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Vickie LeVine - February 28 at 09:36 AM

JC

“ Josh Tollett Masonry Company planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

Josh Tollett Masonry Company - February 28 at 08:10 AM

JC

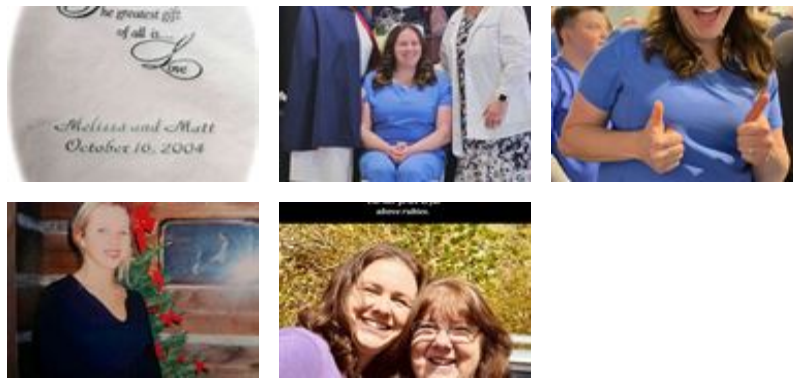
“ Josh Tollett Masonry Company purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



Josh Tollett Masonry Company - February 28 at 08:10 AM



“ 41 files added to the album Life Tributes



D.M. Goff Funeral Home, Inc. - February 27 at 07:53 PM

CF

“ CHILO AND FAMILY purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



CHILO AND FAMILY - February 27 at 06:44 PM

CF

“ CHILO AND FAMILY planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

CHILO AND FAMILY - February 27 at 06:44 PM

BP

“ Brenda Phillips lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Brenda Phillips - February 27 at 04:49 PM

SC

“ Sulphur Community Church purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



Sulphur Community Church - February 27 at 04:09 PM

SC

“ Sulphur Community Church planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

Sulphur Community Church - February 27 at 04:09 PM

PI

“ Plymouth Caulking, INC purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



Plymouth Caulking, INC - February 27 at 11:52 AM

PI

“ Plymouth Caulking, INC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

Plymouth Caulking, INC - February 27 at 11:52 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



February 27 at 11:45 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

February 27 at 11:45 AM

MT

“ Mike & Michelle Storie & Tripp purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



Mike & Michelle Storie & Tripp - February 27 at 11:17 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

February 27 at 09:57 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



February 27 at 09:57 AM

BB

“ Billy Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Billy Bryant - February 26 at 10:18 PM

JV

“ *Jeremy Vaughn sent a virtual gift in memory of
Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Jeremy Vaughn - February 26 at 10:16 PM

CR

“ *Well done faithful servant. You are home.* ☩



Carly Riddle - February 26 at 10:15 PM

JB

“ *Jessica Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of
Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



jessica bryant - February 26 at 10:15 PM

JT

“ *Jeannie Templeton sent a virtual gift in memory
of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Jeannie Templeton - February 26 at 09:41 PM

RA

“ Ronda Coleman Akins lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Ronda Coleman Akins - February 26 at 08:50 PM

MS

“ Praying for your family and giving thanks that our paths crossed. Jesus always promises to never leave or forsake us. With love, Melody and David Sadler



Melody Sadler - February 26 at 08:11 PM

TG

“ We recognize you and pay homage to your dedication to the profession of nursing. We extend our deepest sympathy to your family. Tennessee Nurses Honor Guard

Tennessee Nurses Honor Guard - February 26 at 08:00 PM

LP

“ Love, Bailey, Kendall & McCoy Phillips purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



Love, Bailey, Kendall & McCoy Phillips - February 26 at 07:23 PM

LP

“ Love, Bailey, Kendall & McCoy Phillips planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

Love, Bailey, Kendall & McCoy Phillips - February 26 at 07:23 PM

RM

“ Our prayers are with each family member. May God wrap His loving arms around you all and give you peace that only comes from Him and comfort your broken hearts.
Randy and Phyllis Miller and family



Randy & Phyllis Miller - February 26 at 07:15 PM

SR

“ Steve And Brenda Ramsey lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Steve and Brenda Ramsey - February 26 at 06:52 PM

RD

“ Robert D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.

Robert D. - February 26 at 06:52 PM

RD

“ Robert D. purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips.



Robert D. - February 26 at 06:52 PM



“ Sorry for your loss.



Lisa Wilson - February 26 at 06:26 PM

JH

“ James Hotsinpiller lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



James Hotsinpiller - February 26 at 05:35 PM

DC

“ Donna Crisp lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Donna Crisp - February 26 at 05:01 PM

BM

“ Billy Joe, Lisa Jane And Molly lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Billy Joe, Lisa Jane and Molly - February 26 at 04:08 PM

JE

“ Judy Ervin lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Judy Ervin - February 26 at 03:59 PM

RB

“ Janet, Roger, Collin, & Casey. I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Melissa. She was a good sweet person and loved her family and friends. She will be missed. You all are in my thoughts and prayers and I love you all



Randy Bilbrey Collin's Classmate at Wilson and childhood friend

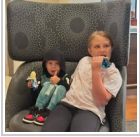
Randy Bilbrey - February 26 at 03:25 PM

JS

“ Jennifer Staup lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Jennifer Staup - February 26 at 02:57 PM



“ Prayers for the family, precious young lady.
Love yall



Belinda Jones Dillon - February 26 at 02:21 PM



“ Jessica Norrod Mccormick lit a candle in
memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



jessica norrod mccormick - February 26 at 02:16 PM



“ Tammy Jordan lit a candle in memory of
Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Tammy Jordan - February 26 at 02:10 PM



“ Susan Early lit a candle in memory of Melissa
Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Susan Early - February 26 at 01:49 PM



“ *Ann Carr lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Ann Carr - February 26 at 01:11 PM

GP

“ *Grady And Roxie Phillips lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Grady and Roxie Phillips - February 26 at 12:31 PM

NF

“ *Melissa always had a smile for everyone and loved the Lord. I will miss her. Prayers for her family.*



Norma Freeman - February 26 at 10:50 AM

LB

“ *Prayers for my special friends/family.*



Loretta (Bowman) Bullock - February 26 at 10:14 AM

WS

“ Prayers for the families! 🙏
She was a precious lady, and she will be missed ❤️



Wanda Selby - February 26 at 09:51 AM



“ Amy Buckner lit a candle in memory of
Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Amy Buckner - February 26 at 09:32 AM

SB

“ Shelia Bilbrey sent a virtual gift in memory of
Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Shelia Bilbrey - February 26 at 09:21 AM

SF

“ Sue Frazier lit a candle in memory of Melissa
Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Sue Frazier - February 26 at 12:22 AM

NF

“ Sending Prayers for all her Family & Friends. She was so sweet to my Mom, she was so loved by all. 🙏🙏🙏



Nyoka FOISTER - February 25 at 10:52 PM

CH

“ Cathie Hacker lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Cathie Hacker - February 25 at 10:16 PM

JH

“ We're sorry to hear about Melissa, she was called home way to soon. Thoughts and prayers for all her family, until we meet again someday of friend, May You Rest In Peace



Joey & Mandy Hassler - February 25 at 10:03 PM

JM

“ Jennifer McCloud lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips



Jennifer McCloud - February 25 at 09:51 PM

TF

“ *Tanya Phillips And Family lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Tanya Phillips and family - February 25 at 08:06 PM

TA

“ *Tammy Reed Abston lit a candle in memory of Melissa Dale "Sassy" Phillips*



Tammy Reed Abston - February 25 at 07:44 PM

SS

“ *My dear friend coworker and sister in Christ. I know you're in the arms of Jesus but I'm sure going to miss so glad we got to talk yesterday. I'll cherish the memories we made so thankful for laughs and tears we have shared through the years. Love and prayers for the family .*

I'll see ya on the banks of Jordan and we will sit down and catch up while watching the sunset. Love ya sister , Momma Sandy ❤️



Sandy Sampley - February 25 at 05:09 PM

JH

Melissa helped me when I was in the nursing home she was a real sweet Girl. She will be missed

James Hotsinpillar - February 26 at 10:16 AM

JH

She will be missed

James Hotsinpillar - February 26 at 10:17 AM