



## Austin Lynne Smith

September 24, 2005 - October 26, 2017

Austin Lynne Smith age 12, passed away after a long and brave fight with cancer, Thursday, October 26, 2017 at home.

Born in Myrtle Beach, SC, she was a daughter of Brent Smith and Betsy Pope Owens. Steadfast in her faith, Austin never complained and always had a smile. She was a giving person and always put others first. She loved to sing and never met a stranger. She was a true angel on this earth and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Betsy and Alan Owens of Myrtle Beach; her father, Brent Smith of Murrells Inlet; a sister, Amelia Owens of Myrtle Beach; grandparents, Les and Lynne Mueller of Myrtle Beach, Greg and Marsha Smith of Murrells Inlet, Bobby and Donna Pope of Lamar, SC and Billy and Linda Owens of Clover, SC. She was preceded in death by her Gigi, Susan Wright Graham.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM Monday, October 30, 2017 at Sweetwater Branch Baptist Church with Reverend Cliff Mixon officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00-8:00 PM Sunday, October 29th at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Memorial contributions may be made to: Courageous Kids, Camp Happy Days, Help 4 Kids or Children's Camp Rise Above.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home  
11528 Highway 17 Bypass  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576  
(843) 651-3295  
info@goldfinchfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

## Service

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Branch Baptist Church  
1436 Hwy 544  
Conway, SC 29526-8446

# Tribute Wall

AC

“ Dear Les & Lynn & FAMILY,

*Having lost an adult child of our own we can understand your sorrow. No one can measure or even feel your loss at this time, as these moments in our lives remain so private, but we did want you to know that we are thinking about you and holding you close to our hearts and in our prayers. We are hoping that our thoughts and prayers of you can add to the strength you need to cope with such a difficult event .  
Again, thinking of you daily.*



*With heartfelt sympathy,  
Andrea & Vinnie Cea*

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**Andrea & Vinnie Cea** - November 05, 2017 at 03:06 PM

 April Cassidy

“ Our hearts hurt so much with you and the whole family. What a beautiful, sweet girl. We are praying for y'all and sending you the biggest hugs.

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**April Cassidy** - October 30, 2017 at 08:16 PM

CC

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss of such a beautiful and strong young girl. One of the bravest, strongest loving souls I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. My heart is with you all and I Love You all with all my heart and you all are in David, Kasey and My prayers everyday and night. We are here if you need anything at all <3



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**Chelsea Carter** - October 30, 2017 at 05:17 PM

CB

“ Brent, Betsy, Marsha and Greg,  
We are so sorry for the profound loss of your sweet girl. Austin showed such valiant courage facing adversity. She was wise beyond her years, and such an inspiration to others, always compassionate and generous with her cheerful nature and radiant smile. I remember her curiosity about our special Cory's mental deficiencies. She was only about six when she asked me if he would ever "talk better." When I told her probably not, she looked at his eyes so intently, and then at me. She brought me to tears when she optimistically replied, "But when he does talk, he will tell you, I love you, Mommy!" That was pure Austin, always looking for the best in each of us.



Carol and Ron Beyer - October 30, 2017 at 02:43 PM

PW

Brent buddy I'm soo sorry man, I can't imagine what you are feeling now but she was an amazing, beautiful little Angel and the world was a better place because of her. I know she is in Heaven right now keeping an eye on her Daddy too. I'm here for you buddy anything I can do please just say the word, my # is 843-516-5279. I wish I would've found out sooner but you and your family are in my prayers 🙏.

Paul Walker - October 30, 2017 at 11:25 PM

MC

“ Michele Cooke lit a candle in memory of  
Austin Lynne Smith



Michele Cooke - October 30, 2017 at 09:55 AM

PH

“ Prayers for the family of this loved one. I have watched you fight this battle bravely online and Heaven truly has gained another angel.  
PHH

PHH - October 30, 2017 at 09:48 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.



October 30, 2017 at 09:37 AM

MT

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you all at this time and always. May God bless and be with you in the days ahead. There is NO loss as the loss of a child. We will pray for you in the days ahead.

Martha Tyler - October 29, 2017 at 08:15 PM



“ May God bless you in your journey in heaven, may you fly with the angels.



A'lisha Perry - October 29, 2017 at 07:14 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



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October 29, 2017 at 09:46 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



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October 29, 2017 at 07:50 AM

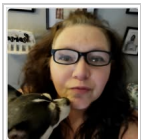


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October 29, 2017 at 06:57 AM



“ *I will always remember when we played games, it's hard not to see you across the table, we will play again one day, maybe I will let you win! Loved to make you laugh & we can laugh together in heaven soon, love you... Your aunt Michelle*



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**Michelle Mills** - October 28, 2017 at 08:31 PM

CR

“ Austin’s smile would light up a room. We (the MUSC staff) all loved her so very much and will forever miss her. She is now in the arms of Jesus without any pain or suffering. Until we meet again, sweet Austin.....

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**Clarice S Dorsey, RN** - October 28, 2017 at 07:18 PM

TT

“ I will always remember Austin coming to my receiving office and getting candy out of the drawer...what a joy and full of life even at that young age.R.I.P. what a special Angel you are.

*Twyla Trabert*

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**Twyla Trabert** - October 28, 2017 at 06:41 PM

KL

*To the most inspiring beautiful little girl I've ever met in my life you will be missed by your wonderful family and everybody you ever knew... I know God is squeezing you tight.. I will miss you coming in to Bellagios to get your ravioli and somehow make everybody around you feel better how blessed I will always feel to have known such a soul sweet dreams my little friend..love Kim*

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**Kim lucas** - October 29, 2017 at 11:31 AM

SR

“ Austin had a beautiful smile and endured so much. Our deepest sympathy on your loss.

*Sincerely, Dana Schodt and Sylvia Robinson*

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**Sylvia Robinson** - October 28, 2017 at 05:59 PM

CC

“ *Austin was a inspiration to me. She made me want to be a better person. I know she is the most beautiful angel ever...* ”



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**Cathy Coble** - October 28, 2017 at 04:04 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.* ”



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October 28, 2017 at 03:18 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.* ”



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October 28, 2017 at 03:11 PM

LR

“ *Love,Aunt Bobbi and Uncle Russell purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.* ”



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**Love,Aunt Bobbi and Uncle Russell** - October 28, 2017 at 01:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



October 28, 2017 at 01:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



October 28, 2017 at 01:08 PM



“ *My heartfelt condolences to Austin's family and friends. I only met Austin once but I learned to love her through the great friendship she had with my granddaughter. I am so very sorry for this loss. Prayers  
Lorraine Flynn, Myrtle Beach*



**Lorraine Flynn** - October 28, 2017 at 12:56 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



October 28, 2017 at 11:23 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.



October 28, 2017 at 10:52 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.



October 28, 2017 at 10:51 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.



October 28, 2017 at 10:42 AM



“ Cruz Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.



**Cruz Family** - October 28, 2017 at 10:29 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



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October 28, 2017 at 09:33 AM



“ *Austin was such an inspiration to all who knew her. She was a very courageous little girl. We all loved her at Pee Dee. Prayers for all of you!*

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**Debbie Rabon** - October 28, 2017 at 07:36 AM



“ *Condolence Snacks was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



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October 28, 2017 at 12:43 AM



“ *Austin touched my heart...thank you Brent for sharing your journey...your love and devotion to her and her sweet smile and unwavering courage forever changed me!!! I cannot wait to meet her in Heaven!! Fly high sweet girl*



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**Amy Johnson** - October 27, 2017 at 10:21 PM

SL

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sending much love*

Stephanie Lucsko - October 27, 2017 at 10:08 PM

BP

“ *Beth And Lily McHale And Kevin Pollock lit a candle in memory of Austin Lynne Smith*



Beth and Lily McHale and Kevin Pollock - October 27, 2017 at 10:06 PM

BP

*We love you all so very much and send our most sincere condolences. Fly high precious Austin!*

Beth and Lily McHale and Kevin Pollock - October 27, 2017 at 10:08 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.*



Linda Carson - October 27, 2017 at 10:00 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



October 27, 2017 at 09:56 PM

DT

“ *Sleep Peacefully Little One xxx*

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**David Tigwell** - October 27, 2017 at 08:42 PM

LD

“ *Lona Dowling lit a candle in memory of Austin  
Lynne Smith*



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**Lona Dowling** - October 27, 2017 at 08:39 PM

LD

“ *Austin was such an inspiration to me. Always smiling and giving  
joyto others. What a great blessing. Wished I had been ablessed to  
meet her in person . I know her Grandma Marsha. Sending love and  
comfort to her sweet family. And know she is with the Lord.*

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**Lona Dowling** - October 27, 2017 at 08:38 PM



“ I never had the priviledge to meet Austin in real life but her Dad shared so much of their times together over the years...the joys and pains of Austin's struggle...I honestly have never seen a more dedicated father to a daughter than Austin's dad Brent...She was everything to him...and he was everything to her...When the notice of Austin's passing happened I cried for her like noone I have ever cried for in my life...she actually touched alot of us deep in our hearts more than i think she may know..

God Bless the Smith family and know that Austin still surrounds us and will never ever be forgotten...her story and her struggle could and should be a life lesson inspiration to each and every one of us here on this Earth..

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**James Shaver** - October 27, 2017 at 08:16 PM



“ I never met Austin, but she was an inspiration to us all a fighter a very special angel on earth .a fighter Austin I'll always be sad for you and your dad and family.i don't know you but I love you ...rest in peace in the arms of the angels 🙏💕💔😭

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**lisa lakomski** - October 27, 2017 at 07:49 PM



“ I met Austin through her grandmother, Marsha & grandfather, Greg. Both incredible girls & guy! Whenever I saw Austin, she had this angelic smile and personality. She made everyone feel good around her. Then I met Brent! Incredible Dad! That is sharing God's love! ❤️ Precious memories for her family in this time of grief.

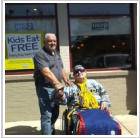
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**Linda Sacchetti** - October 27, 2017 at 06:35 PM

PG


“ I met Austin spiritually through Barbara Puzey, friend of Austin's grandmother Marsha. Have been praying for Austin and her family continually. Enjoyed following her FB journey of love and hope for several years. Austin has touched and taught so many how to stay strong and keep going. Her faith in God never faltered. Even though she's smiling in heaven now, and her family and friends are left to grieve a beautiful little girl, we all know she is free and where she belongs.

Peggy Guy - October 27, 2017 at 06:20 PM



“ I am so sorry that Austin lost her battle, I always followed her progress on Facebook from across the pond. What an inspirational little girl she was and I'm so very sad for you all. May her memory be a Blessing.


Reg Bailey - October 27, 2017 at 06:14 PM

  
Tereasa  
Simmons

“ I also never met Austin in person. But one day Marsha shared a story. Austin was raising money for Cancer research. She and her friend had a lemonade stand. I was amazed by this precious little girl. Who by the way looks so much like her Dad and her grandmother. On the day I read of her raising money for children like herself..I fell hopelessly in love. Austin is an Amazing, brave, charitable, beautiful, wonderful person. Everything a parent wishes for. Betsy and Brent she is and will always be an inspiration to us all. Blessing to all of you and yours. I am going to make a donation to cancer research in Austin name, I hope that is OK..Let me know if there is a particule cause. God Bless. To Austin little sister, never forget you still have a sister....



Tereasa Simmons - October 27, 2017 at 06:13 PM

 Jaci  
Scott  
Morrow

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you all. Such an amazing heart and soul. She will be missed.

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**Jaci Scott Morrow** - October 27, 2017 at 06:12 PM

JB

“ Although I never met Austin in person I felt I knew her through her father's Facebook posts. Such a courageous young lady with a contagious smile. She has been and will continue to be a major inspiration to myself and many others worldwide. My condolences to the Austin's family and friends. The world lost a precious young girl but heaven has gained a perfect angel.

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**Julie Briggs** - October 27, 2017 at 06:11 PM

PP

“ Me and Austin's Dad, Brent attended a yard sale at Austin's Mom, Betsy's house, and Austin was so excited to be having her very own yard sale!! Austin was so motivated and happy to sell as she was raising money for charity. Despite Austin's battle with cancer spanning years she only thought of others and their struggles as she was a giver, selfless, not a taker. I was very privileged to meet Austin a few times as Austin was a ray of sunshine on a cloudy day..... she was all that is good in this world....Love you always Austin....

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**Patti Pacileo** - October 27, 2017 at 06:10 PM

TM

“ *The Flowers family in Maryland purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Austin Lynne Smith.*



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**The Flowers family in Maryland** - October 27, 2017 at 05:51 PM



“ *While I never met Austin in person, I was able to enjoy her love and hope for others through posts shared by Brent. I feel so blessed for having had the chance to know her from afar. She truly touched so many people in a positive way. Such a wonderful young lady.*

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**Al Rad** - October 27, 2017 at 05:50 PM

DL

“ *I met Austin in 2014 when she came to my Zumba Kids class with her grandma, Marsha. She loved to dance, and even when she was exhausted, she always smiled and she kept on going. Her sweet, sweet spirit lit up the class and the world. There is no doubt that Austin was and is an angel 🙏❤️😊*

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**Deanne Lewis** - October 27, 2017 at 05:02 PM