

Martha Jane Pugsley

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Jacob - Our deepest sympathies to you and your family at the untimely loss of your beautiful daughter. - Peter, Chi, Daniel, Julia

- Smit Family

I'm so very sorry for your loss. I too had three brothers like Martha and had to stand up to their fraternal forces. I hope you can find some peace in the coming days, such a precious life lost too soon.

- Sarah Spencer

I am so sorry for your loss. I did not get to know Martha, and I am very sad about that. She sounds like an amazing person. I am sending you all my love and wishes that you may find some peace. I look forward to seeing your boys at Bonneville. Love, Mrs. Sellin

- Willow Sellin

I am so sad to hear about this sad new she would follow me around at recess and told me lots of stories I loved talking to her she will be missed miss Nae ■■

- Ranae Dahlquist (Nae)

The world has lost a bright shining light.

- Charlie and Claudia Cannon

So sorry for your loss!

- Joey Dittmer

Dear Pugsley Family, We are heartbroken to hear about sweet Martha Jane. We mourn with you and love you from California. The Henriods

- Joel and Lindsay Henriod

Jacob, My heart breaks to hear this news. I am so sorry for your loss. I hope you and your family can find peace knowing she is in the hands of our Heavenly Father. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

- Drew Lewis

I never had to wonder what anybody else was doing in the class. Martha knew, and she let me know. The happiness that emanated from a little soul named Martha Jane will live inside many of us forever more. What a blessing she is to all who knew her. May we use her example to continue on, thank you sweetheart, and may God’s hand comfort your whole family.❤■

- Michelle Orgill

Oh Jacob and Anna, we mourn with you and the boys. thank you for sharing her photos and the beautiful obituary that we so wish never had to have been written. much love, the Madabhushis

- Mary Madabhushi

I'm broken-hearted for you, for all you'll miss without this very sparkly darling girl in your home and in your lives every day. I am good friends with grandma Janet and have loved hearing about darling Martha (especially the purple dress quilt story!) Sending much love and light to you all. Your angel daughter will no doubt continue to bless your lives.

- RaNae Shoaf, Indiana

Telling you “I’m so sorry” just doesn’t quite explain the sadness in my heart for your family and how incredibly difficult this must be. May your family be carried through this with power and peace from God and His Son.

- Jana (Pohlman) Fullmer

Anna and Jacob, We are so saddened to hear of Martha’s passing. It was fun to meet her at Sam’s reception; she seemed to hold her own amid her brothers! All our love to you and your family and the peace only the Savior brings.■

- Julia and David Thompson

Our most sincere condolences to the family. I am at a loss to see Martha's face in the obituary. May God bless your family with peace and love.

- Emy Davis

Jacob, I’m so sorry for your loss.

- Don Hatch

Our hearts are broken to hear of Martha’s passing. We are abroad again and can’t be there in person, but our hearts are very much with you. We will be praying for your family. Please feel us sending our love.

- Jon and Sharon Bott

We so saddened about the loss of your sweet Martha. Richard and I are praying for your family that our Savior will be with you and carry you through this difficult time. We love you

- Sylvia Mucha

Anna and Jacob and boys, our hearts are broken for you! She was such a light and so quick and good that she goes to prepare for you another day. Our love and concern we send with wishes for peace and only good memories.

- Genie Dittmer

Dearest cousin and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I love what has been written here about Martha, and I’m sorry I didn’t get to know her better. I felt like I should be there with you since you (Anna) made the effort to be there for us in April, but then I got a bad result on a Covid test yesterday and so that question was decided for me. Anyway, now I’m talking just to talk, but I suppose we do a lot of that regardless. I love you and I hope you heal thoroughly and completely from this. Lots of love, MD

- Mark Dittmer

Little Martha! I'm so so sorry for your loss. I remember how hard she tried in class to hold her glockenspiel mallets just right and just lit up positively with any notice and attention. She was a joy and such a cutie. The world is dimmer without her smile in it. I'm just so sorry. Sending you love. Together or apart, you are always in my heart.

- Ms Maren from Song of the Heart

Jacob... I am sincerely sorry for the loss of your darling little girl. My heart goes out to you and your family at this difficult and heavy time. My son is just 2Y younger and as you admonished, I will give him extra hugs and kisses and send extra love toward Heaven for Martha Jane. You all will be in our prayers.

- LaNola Kathleen Stone

I’m so sorry for the loss of your angel!

- Becky hulse

This world is just a bit darker because of the loss of this beautiful ray of sunshine! There wasn't one teacher that Martha wouldn't saddle up next to and engage in conversation. She made our day that much brighter by doing so. She said it like it was and often kept the teachers on their toes. Miss Martha Jane, we love you! Thank you for touching our lives and often teaching us, the teachers. You will be deeply missed but never forgotten! To your dear family, and sweet Daniel whom I had the pleasure to teach in 2nd grade, we are beyond heartbroken for you! May you feel our Bonneville love and may it help in some tiny way to support you in the coming days.

- Candace Teerlink 2nd Grade Teacher

I'm so sorry to hear that Martha left too soon. My deepest condolences go to all her friends, family, and all who got to know her—ugly and scary dogs included. My heart especially goes out to Jacob and Anna. I cannot know what you are going through. May you find all the time and space needed for grief and mourning. Love to you and yours—

- Katie Smith

Dear Anna and family, I was so to learn of your daughter's passing. Please accept my deepest sympathy and condolences.

- Sandra Steinvoort

Adorable Martha was in my son's summer swimming class at the Peterson camps & was so kind and friendly. The class was at the beginning of the summer. On the 1st day of school Martha walked right up to my son & said, "Hi Teddy." She remembered his name & was not shy about connecting again at all! I was so impressed with her confidence and positive power. Bless her heart and yours. Mine aches for you and your family at her going. God bless you all with comfort and peace. Love, the Keele family

- Amy Keele

We are so saddened by the loss of this beautiful little girl. We love your family. You are in our prayers.

- President and Sister Dallin H Oaks

Our hearts are with your family and we send our love. I remember Martha showing up to a soccer game with more joy, giggles, and energy than anyone else could muster for 8 am. Before reading the obituary Neve said, "Martha always said no don't call me cute!" Her spirit will burn happy and bright always. We love you.

- Barua Family

Dear Dr. Pugsley I am so incredibly sorry for the loss of your sweet daughter. My condolences to you and your family.

- Nancy Davis

Dear Anna and Jacob, I was very sorry to learn of Martha's passing. Your family moved from CRT just after her birth. Her time here was very short, but her goodness will live on. Love and prayers, Sister Jeri Burr

- Jeri Burr

Dear Anna and Jacob, We are painfully shocked at the passing of sweet Martha. Please know we are with you. We send our deepest heartfelt condolences. We love you and your beautiful family. You are in our prayers. Please know we love you so much.

- Melanie and Dwight Johnson

Thank you Martha for blessing our lives for the short time we knew you. Our family joined with your ward a year and a half ago and at that time we were coming with broken hearts. We had been separated from many friends from our previous ward and church felt unfamiliar and at times lonely. Your darling side pony, your booming singing voice and beaming smile truly lifted our hearts on Sundays. My favorite was when your mom played the organ. You seemed to always make your way to her and would sit behind her while she played. I will forever cherish that image of you at your mom’s back. Anna even though you don’t get to see your angel Martha may you always feel her behind you supporting you, pushing you forward and being your biggest cheerleader. Love to you! Kerstin

- The Bean Family

What a delightful little lady! I wish I had had the blessing of meeting sweet Martha. I pray that you all will find comfort in the grace and goodness of God’s eternal plan for each of His children.

- LeeAnn Buell

I am so sorry for your loss. Sending all my prayers and love for your family and your sweet girl.

- Liz Middleton

Dear Jacob, I fear the last time I saw you was years and years ago. If Martha was anything like you she was surely a humorous, witty and inquisitive little darling. Our dear friend Alice Ashton let, Meredith (Lake) know who then let me know about your devastating loss. You may not remember me but I grew up with Joseph your brother and have many fond memories of you and your family from attending the Yalecrest 2nd Ward. I have been praying for you and your family daily and just wanted to send all the love and light that I could muster your way. Please just know we are all surrounding you and your family in love and sending comfort during this time of experiencing such an unimaginable tragedy. Please know that you and your family have always brought the Lake family so much joy, humor and kindness. I’ll give a shout out to my mom (up in heaven now) to welcome Martha with open arms. I am so sorry Jacob. Sending so much Love- Margaret Lake

- Margaret Lake

Dear Anne and Jacob and family, I hardly know what to say about this tragic loss. Martha sounds like a wonderful young girl with so much joy and spirit and enthusiasm for life. I'm sending condolences and love to all of you, Helen

- Helen Dittmer

Oh, Jacob. I am so, so sorry. My heart is broken. I can't offer any words of consolation. I can only say my heart is truly broken for you.

- Allen Stoddard

I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear sweet Martha. We heard lots about Martha from William in class, he adored her. My prayers are with William and your whole family.

- Emilie Johansen

While I didn't get to know Martha well - the pictures here and the obituary sum up well the beautiful little girl that I remember. I have fond memories of her playing while Noah and Jonathan practiced soccer together. Even at that age I remember her questions and inquisitiveness that seemed beyond her years. She was indeed full of life. We will miss her and will hold you in our thoughts in prayers.

- Jeff and Melissa Combe

Dear Anna and Jacob - There are simply no words to express our heartbreak - and the sorrow and pain you must feel at the loss of sweet Martha. Being newer in the ward after the boundary change, she was one that caught our attention early on with her energetic singing and cheery smile. I feel honored to have had a one on one with her about my jewelry one Sunday when she came in to find her mom in Relief Society. What a bright light she was to the world. The memorial for her today was as tragic as it was beautiful. To hear all about her from those that knew her and loved her best, and to also hear from the two of you as her parents was a healing balm for everyone’s broken hearts. How generous of the two of you to share your broken hearts with us at this most tender time. We will continue to mourn with you and pray for the peace of our Savior to bring calm and understanding to your sweet family through the coming days and months. With much love, Sara and Ralph

- Ralph and Sara Wankier

My heart and prayers are with you and your family. ■■

- Mayra Tetzloff

We are heartbroken for your family. Vivi + Eddie adored Martha. Her confidence, spunk + radiant smile were truly unmatched. I’ll never forget the time I called her "cute" while helping in her first grade class, she quickly corrected me, making it clear she didn’t want to be seen that way. In her eight precious years, she made an incredible impact. We are holding your family in so much love during this difficult time.

- Sarah Baltz

Dear Anna and family: We were so sorry to learn from Katie about the death of your precious daughter. We can see from the photos that she looked a lot like her mommy Anna as a little girl. We send you love and prayers and know you are comforted by every thought of her.

- Bill and Carol Cole

I didn’t know Martha long as her P.E. teacher, but she had an impact on me. I had wonderful memories as I was learning all the students names, she would say her name in an adorable, confident voice that helped me remember it instantly, yet I would desire to hear that sweet voice again, so I would ask her for name many more times. May God comfort your family during this trying time.

- Michael Weilenmann

Dear God Jehovah! Please remember this beautiful little girl in your resurrection, safe in your memory until then. Please comfort her family and give them hope. Martin Grant Sjippergrumby@aol.com

- Martin Grant

When your mother was here, several of us went to the symphony and learned your sad news about your lovely daughter. I'm so sorry for yor loss and send my deep sympathy to you and your family. Fondly, Jane Nolan

- Jane Nolan

I loved Martha she was so sweet, happy, positive, innocent, so many people miss her but I know she can't wait to see you all in heaven

- Allison