



Stephanie Newgaard

April 10, 1974 - January 21, 2026

Stephanie Rae Martin Newgaard, age 51, passed away on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at Ascension Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Florida.

Stephanie was born on April 10, 1974, in Grove Hill, Alabama, to Dr. S. Royce Martin and Pamela B. Matlock. She was born a twin and was one of four sisters. In 1992, Stephanie graduated from Clarke County High School, where she served as class president. She went on to earn a B.S. in Elementary Education from the University of West Alabama (formerly Livingston University) in 1996. Stephanie dedicated 26 years to teaching before retiring in 2024.

She will be remembered for her great sense of humor, the light she brought into every room, and her profound love for Jesus and everyone she met.

A wonderful mother and aunt, Stephanie leaves behind her two adoring children: Cody Stephen Newgaard of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Taylor Brea Newgaard of Bush, Louisiana.

Stephanie is survived by her parents, Dr. S. Royce Martin of Saraland, Alabama, and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Matlock of Excel, Alabama; her children, Cody Stephen Newgaard and Taylor Brea Newgaard; and her sisters, Ann Martin Belser of Milton, Florida, Stacie Martin Carroll (Jim) of Fort Lee,

Virginia, and Alison Martin Gibson of Atmore, Alabama.

Kevin, Wally and Larry Matlock of Florida and Kim Matlock of West Virginia.
Stephanie loved her nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Celebration Of Life

FEB 7. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Tompkins Baptist Church
14130 US Hwy 43
Grove Hill, AL 36451

Tribute Wall



“ Stephanie was a Good Friend to have and she will be Miss by Family's and Friends and she is with our Lord Jesus Christ Arm and I Remember the year she was have her Baby Girl because I said this would be Funny with your Baby was Born on your Birthday and her Baby Girl was Born after her Birthday.

S.L. Mishou - February 19 at 11:17 AM



“ WandaBurnette lit a candle in memory of Stephanie Newgaard



WandaBurnette - February 05 at 04:06 PM



“ Newgaard's Nerds purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Stephanie Newgaard.



Newgaard's Nerds - January 29 at 04:29 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Stephanie Newgaard.



January 28 at 05:25 PM

LP

“ Love Always, Chrissy Powers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Stephanie Newgaard.

Love Always, Chrissy Powers - January 28 at 05:25 PM

RT

“ Rebecca Townsend lit a candle in memory of Stephanie Newgaard



Rebecca Townsend - January 28 at 04:57 PM

RT

“ Love y'all so much. From the first day at Camp Morvin to Reed Hall teacher days at UWA!!!! She was a hoot and a holler. Always made ya laugh!!!!

Rebecca Townsend - January 28 at 04:53 PM

BT

“ Becky Chunn Townsend purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Stephanie Newgaard.



Becky Chunn Townsend - January 28 at 04:48 PM

AB

“ Praying for the family during this hour of bereavement.

Apostle Dr Joseph Bonner-Bey - January 28 at 02:57 PM