



## Leslie Kathleen McElveen

June 18, 2020

Hartsville, South Carolina

Leslie Kathleen McElveen, 69, of Hartsville died on Thursday, June 18, 2020. Leslie was born in Logan, West Virginia. She was the daughter of the late Edward Heron Thornbury and Virginia Wilder Smith. Leslie worked as a LPN and owned and operated Nurses on Call in Hartsville. She was a member of the American Quilters Society. Leslie was very instrumental in the Darlington County Animal Shelter and enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. Surviving are her loving companion, Tommy Jordan; her sons, Russell Self and wife, Brandi; William Self and wife, Michelle; and Bobby Self and wife, Valerie; her grandchildren, Patrick, Amber, Hollie, Hannah, Kimberly Lloyd, David, and Kathleen Self; her great grandchildren, Gracie, Gavin and Brantley; her brothers, Russell Esvelt; and John Edward Thornbury; her sister, Nancy Thornbury Nipper; and two nieces.

Leslie was preceded in death by her parents, Edward Heron Thornbury and Virginia Wilder Smith.

Graveside funeral services will be held on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 4 PM at Magnolia Cemetery in Hartsville, directed by Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home of Darlington. The family will receive friends from 2 until 3:30 PM Monday, June 22, 2020 at Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to American Quilters Society, the American Cancer Society or the Darlington County Animal Shelter.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at [www.kistlerhard](http://www.kistlerhard)

[eefuneralhome.com](http://eefuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

KH

“ *From Kenyatta Hardy*



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**Kenyatta Hardy** - July 15, 2020 at 10:09 PM

TE

“ *Tee sent a virtual gift in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



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**Tee** - July 08, 2020 at 10:34 AM

BG

“ *Leslie was my sister-in-law in the early 1970s when I was married to her brother Rusty Esvelt.*

*I've always been proud of how Leslie bettered herself with her education and going on with her businesses and her of people and animals. For a wedding present she gave I see a large pan that was used for pot roast soups that sort of thing. I still have it today and I use it especially as my fudge making pan for double batches. Thank you Leslie for your friendship. You are with your mom your dad and many others who proceeded you. If you are in a Heavenly Kingdom I have no pain*

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**Barb Gidley** - June 23, 2020 at 08:20 PM

JS

“ Jennifer Gandy Suggs sent a virtual gift in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



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**Jennifer Gandy Suggs** - June 22, 2020 at 07:22 PM

AW

“ Dear Tommy, your Leslie was such a special person. I met her because of her love of all animals. Bless her and all of her family. Sending special prayers to you Tommy. Anna Williams

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**Anna Williams** - June 22, 2020 at 07:17 PM

LC

“ Lynn & Danny Coleman lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



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**Lynn & Danny Coleman** - June 22, 2020 at 02:46 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Leslie Kathleen McElveen.



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June 21, 2020 at 10:42 PM

SR

“ *Susan Rollins lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



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**Susan Rollins** - June 21, 2020 at 07:43 PM

SM

“ *Samuel G. & Gail S. Mobley lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



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**Samuel G. & Gail S. Mobley** - June 21, 2020 at 06:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leslie Kathleen McElveen.*



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June 21, 2020 at 03:30 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Leslie Kathleen McElveen.*



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June 21, 2020 at 10:56 AM

BW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Leslie. She was such a beautiful person inside & out and will be greatly missed. Every time I look at the quilt she made in memory of Dan, I'll see all the great times we've all shared together. Fly high my Leslie, we will meet again.*

Becky Wiggins - June 21, 2020 at 10:03 AM

DM

“ *Billy we are so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother, we are sure she's in God's hands now. We will be forever grateful for everything she did for Chris, as well as you and Michelle. Our prayers are with your family during this time. Del and Lorraine Monroe*

Del and Lorraine Monroe - June 20, 2020 at 11:45 PM

JM

“ *So sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to the family.*



Janet Moore - June 20, 2020 at 08:45 PM

JS

“ *Jennifer Smith lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



Jennifer smith - June 20, 2020 at 04:36 PM

ML

“ Leslie was such a sweet lady! Before she knew me at all, Leslie reached out and was so supportive both when when I started fostering for the animal shelter. And she reached out again when I moved to the lake. She kept checking in on me from time to time by phone and fb messenger because she was the kind of person who cared about others and took the time to show it. I am really sad that precautions related to the COVID virus in recent months prevented visiting before she passed away. I will certainly miss her!  
Merri-Shannon Lunn



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**Merri-Shannon Lunn** - June 20, 2020 at 01:35 PM

GB

“ Genny Baker lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



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**Genny Baker** - June 20, 2020 at 12:30 PM

NM

“ Nikki Moore lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



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**Nikki Moore** - June 20, 2020 at 10:02 AM

ST

“ To the family of Leslie,  
I don't need to tell y'all how special she was  
or how big a heart she had bc you all know.  
When I first met her we worked at Wilson  
Hospital in the ER. She was an inspiration to  
all who knew her. It was an honor to call her my friend and she was  
an awesome boss. I truly enjoyed all our trips we made and  
spending time with her. She loved her family more than anything ,  
she was also very PROUD of you ALL. She was always talking  
about her family. She will be MISSED but she will always live on in  
our hearts with all the GREAT memories we have. My thoughts and  
prayers are with you all. She will never be forgotten. I PRAY that  
GOD will wrap his arms around you and give you some comfort in  
this difficult time now and moving forward. I love you all and if I can  
help in any way please feel free to call me day or ight 🙏💜🤝❤️!!!



Susan Timmons - June 20, 2020 at 04:25 AM

JT

“ Judy Thorpe lit a candle in memory of Leslie  
Kathleen McElveen



judy thorpe - June 20, 2020 at 02:11 AM

JT

I will always remember Miss Leslie for her dedicated compassion in  
helping shelter animals in need. She was always very friendly and kind  
to me. I will miss her. My condolences to her family

judy thorpe - June 20, 2020 at 02:41 AM

GK

“ *Such a special gentle spirit, Leslie was always first to offer support in our fight to improve conditions for the vulnerable in SC. She was generous with her support and a good friend. I enjoyed working with her over the years for in home care! She will be missed! R.I.P. Leslie, Until we meet again!*



**Gloria Kasler** - June 19, 2020 at 11:59 PM

AT

“ *Ann Timmons lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



**Ann Timmons** - June 19, 2020 at 11:45 PM

PY

“ *Pam Yates lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



**Pam Yates** - June 19, 2020 at 11:44 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Leslie Kathleen McElveen.*



June 19, 2020 at 11:42 PM



“ I was so very sorry to hear the news of my cousin Leslie. She is so special and fought such a hard battle and did not want to give up. I really enjoyed spending time with her and Tommy early in the year we had a wonderful visit. Memories



Cynthia Lou Thornbury-Shinn - June 19, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ Enjoyed online with Leslie,we were classmates while she lived in Marshall Mo. She was so talented,& caring!

Connie OBryan - June 19, 2020 at 09:14 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leslie Kathleen McElveen.



June 19, 2020 at 08:29 PM



“ Bobby And Anita Hall lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



Bobby and Anita Hall - June 19, 2020 at 07:46 PM

BH

*Tommy , Bobby & I are deeply saddened to hear about Leslie passing away ! You are in our thoughts and prayers !!*

**Bobby and Anita Hall** - June 19, 2020 at 08:02 PM

MC

*“ Tommy, Maxie & I are so sorry to hear about Leslie’s passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and her family.*

**Maxie Cantley** - June 19, 2020 at 07:38 PM

FS

*“ Freddie & Kathy Stanley lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



**Freddie & Kathy Stanley** - June 19, 2020 at 07:37 PM

SI

*“ Stephen & Linda Ingram lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



**Stephen & Linda Ingram** - June 19, 2020 at 07:36 PM

JC

*“ John Crawford lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



**John Crawford** - June 19, 2020 at 07:28 PM

RT

“ *Ross And Suzi Thornbury lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



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**Ross and Suzi Thornbury** - June 19, 2020 at 06:57 PM

DS

“ *Danny And Phoebe Stokes lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen*



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**Danny and Phoebe Stokes** - June 19, 2020 at 06:57 PM

FC

“ *Such a wonderful lady with a big heart. Fly High Leslie!*

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**Frances Cheeseman** - June 19, 2020 at 06:50 PM

CA

“ *We will never forget our boat trip with you and Tommy to Southport! What a wonderful time we had. The quilt you made for my great nephew is still loved. You will be missed by so many. Your life touched so so many. We love you. Fly high girl, you truly earned your wings. Until we meet again..❤️*

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**carolyn and Rick Atkinson** - June 19, 2020 at 06:41 PM

JW

“ *In Bluefield Va at Mom and Ed's house over the years.. RIP SWEET Leslie*

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**jeannie meadows wells** - June 19, 2020 at 06:40 PM

JW

“ Jeannie Meadows Wells lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



jeannie meadows wells - June 19, 2020 at 06:37 PM



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June 19, 2020 at 06:36 PM

BM

“ Brenda Munn lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



Brenda Munn - June 19, 2020 at 04:59 PM

TK

“ Terry King lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



Terry King - June 19, 2020 at 04:29 PM

RM

“ Rae McDonald lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



Rae McDonald - June 19, 2020 at 04:08 PM

DS

“ Leslie and I go way back to the Wilson hospital days. She had the kindest soul and was truly a good friend. I'm sad that she is gone but happy in knowing her pain and sickness are no longer. She will be missed. Rest easy my sweet friend. 🙏

Dana Stone - June 19, 2020 at 03:32 PM

LM

“ I'm so sorry to read of this loss she was one of my first friends I made when I joined Facebook games I'm in the UK. Fly high special lady 🥰❤



linda morgan - June 19, 2020 at 03:12 PM

TE

“ Tee lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



Tee - June 19, 2020 at 12:05 PM

JR

“ Fly high my friend. You were a very special person always helping people and pets. R.I.P.



Julie Rhodes - June 19, 2020 at 09:24 AM

SW

“ Leslie was a very special lady who went out of her way to help others. Prayers for her family.



Susan White - June 19, 2020 at 01:56 AM

D-

“ Diane Sheffield -Wilkes sent a virtual gift in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



Diane Sheffield -Wilkes - June 18, 2020 at 10:01 PM

TH

“ The lit a candle in memory of Leslie Kathleen McElveen



The - June 18, 2020 at 09:59 PM