



Melba Bass

October 6, 1956 - May 24, 2010

Melba Armenta Bass, 53, of Jasper passed away at 8:50 a.m. Monday, May 24, 2010 at St. John's Regional Medical Center. She was born the daughter of Victor and Olivia Armenta on October 6, 1956 in Lubbock, Texas. Melba has resided in Jasper since 1970. She has been a receptionist for Leggett and Platt, Branch 1 for ten years. Melba volunteered for United Way, was a member of Relay for Life and Scleroderma Foundation. She liked being around her friends and family, enjoyed shopping with her sisters and mom and her special friends from the class of 1975.

Survivors include her life partner of 16 years, Jim Satlak, two sons, Nathan Bass and wife Michelle of Webb City, Jonathan Bass and wife Amber of Jasper, her mother and step-Dad, Olivia and Charles Leaming, Jim's two children, Jennifer Satlak of Topeka, KS and Matt Satlak of San Francisco, CA, 7 grandchildren, Alex, Emersyn, Mackenzie, Matison, Jordan, McGwire and Emma, four sisters; Olga Armenta and husband Mario of Carthage, Irma Johnston and husband Jim of Jasper, Lupe Martinez and husband Simon of Lubbock, TX and Sylvia Edwards and Travis Edwards of Oronogo, four nieces, six nephews and eleven great nieces and nephews.

Services will be 1:00 p.m. Friday, May 28, 2010 at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Joplin. Visitation will be 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 27, 2010 at the Ulmer Funeral Home. Burial will be in Paradise Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Ulmer Funeral Home. On line condolences may be sent to www.ulmerfh.com.

Tribute Wall

LK

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Melba was as beautiful inside as she was out. Her smile and laugh will always be remembered. God bless and comfort you all.

Linda Kreher Keene - May 29, 2010 at 02:02 PM

JD

“ So sorry to hear about Melba. I know she will be greatly missed by all of you. You must believe that she is in a better place now and free from the chronic pain that she suffered in her last days. My thoughts and prayers are with Jon, Nate, Irma, and the rest of her family.
Janice DeGraff

Janice DeGraff - May 28, 2010 at 04:50 PM

DC

“ Melba was a dear friend, wonderful mother, and all around super person! I know she cared deeply for Jim and felt his love everyday. Meeting her again in heaven with our Lord Jesus Christ will be a wonderful day. Looking forward to hearing her laugh and seeing her smile with those beautiful dimples.
Our sincere sympathies to everyone in Melba's family,
Donna & Joel Corder (Jasper Graduating Class of 1975)

Donna (Achey) Corder - May 28, 2010 at 03:33 PM

LW

“ We've lost a very good friend but know that the Lord has gained a wonderful angel. I cherish every memory I have of Melba and will miss her sense of humor. We loved her dearly.

Leon and Melinda Waggoner - May 27, 2010 at 10:48 AM

RH

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Bass and Armenta families. Thinking of you at this difficult time.

Ray and Cindy Harding - May 27, 2010 at 10:07 AM

TJ

“ Jim, I am so sorry. I am really gonna miss her. She taught me how to be grateful for everyday I am given. May God give you peace in your time of loss.P.S. I worked @ Oncology And Hematology Cntr.

Tracy Jensen - May 26, 2010 at 10:27 PM

AO

“ Nathan, Jonathan, and Family
My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Your mom was such a sweet woman and she will be missed by all who knew her.
April Ogle(Aunt Susan's grand daughter)

April Ogle - May 26, 2010 at 11:07 AM

CC

“ Melba was a wonderful woman who will be greatly missed. I will be praying for your family.
Boys, your mom's laugh was infectious and makes me smile just remembering it.

Carri Farmer Cress - May 26, 2010 at 10:44 AM

CF

“ Nate and Jon, your mom always put a smile on my face. Josh and I both have fond memories of her and she will be greatly missed....

Camie Platner & Family - May 26, 2010 at 10:16 AM

HO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My heart and prayers go out to your family! My God be with you all. Melba was a wonderful lady and her smile was priceless... She will truly be missed! ~Holly

Holly Ogleby-Worthen - May 26, 2010 at 09:31 AM

MW

“ To the families of Melba Bass...My heart goes out to each of you, at this sad time in your lives. Melba was a warm, fun and lively woman, full of love and joy. She touched the hearts of many over the years. Sincerely, Mary Wilson

Mary Wilson - May 26, 2010 at 08:37 AM

CO

“ Please know we send our deepest sympathy to Melba's family. We have many fun family memories with Melba. God be with all of you.

Craig & Jan Ogleby - May 25, 2010 at 11:26 PM

JC

“ Anyone who worked with Melba feels a loss with her death.

John Coleman - May 25, 2010 at 06:10 PM

VB

“ Melba was a great friend, and neighbor to my Mom, Dad, and I when we lived in Jasper. She was always smiling and joking. She will be missed.

Vickie Betterton-Bass - May 25, 2010 at 02:53 PM

MB

“ *Nathan and family, Remember the love your mother gave you through the years and keep those memories close. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. We send our deepest sympathy. The Beason's-Kelly, Michele, Kaitlin & Cade*

Michele Beason - May 25, 2010 at 02:38 PM

JN

“ *What a special lady and a tremendous loss to this world. I am a better person for knowing her!*

Jarrold Newcomb - May 25, 2010 at 02:15 PM

PR

“ *Melba was a very special person that will be missed by every person who ever knew her. My prayers and thoughts are with you.*

Peggy Ralston - May 25, 2010 at 02:11 PM

CA

“ *Nate and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Scott, Cheryl, Colton and Blake Adams*

Cheryl Adams - May 25, 2010 at 12:16 PM