



Laura Ervin Mele

August 19, 1986 - June 14, 2025

Our beloved Laura Ervin Mele passed away peacefully on June 14, 2025 at her home in Stevensville. She was born in Tucson, Arizona on August 19, 1986, and grew up on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Laura was a beautiful soul and an incredible warrior who survived a heart transplant to witness the growth of her son Gabriel for seven wonderful years. She loved caring for animals, and as a young girl she rescued too many to count. Laura spent her professional life as a skilled veterinary technician and she forged deep connections with her patients and pets, earning their trust with ease and applying her compassion with great skill.

Two months after the birth of her son, Laura received her new heart. The love she held in her heart for those around her never diminished. Above all else, Laura's world revolved around Gabriel. He was the light of her life, and her devotion to him was boundless. She was his relentless advocate and champion, and she raised him to be polite, honest, and wise.

Laura was gifted with a wonderful sense of humor and knew how to turn their everyday activities into adventures. She had a fierce spirit and, like all the women in her family, a strong will and readiness to voice her convictions. She loved family gatherings and celebrations.

Laura was a devoted mother, a beautiful daughter, a loving sister, and a wonderful friend who shined a light into the world that will be greatly missed. She was a loving and caring mother, daughter, and sister, and a friend who was always willing to try something new. Laura brought her light, her joy, her laughter and her honesty to so many lucky people. Laura loved life. She loved being a mother more than anything, and also enjoyed nature, animals, the ocean and the Bay, swimming, sailboarding, and visiting family and friends. Her love was fierce, fighting for those she loved and those in need of a champion. Her heart was big, wide, and open to the world.

Laura was strong, fierce, sweet, bold, determined, and kind. Rest easy, Laura—you made the world a brighter and better place.

Her loss is mourned by her beloved son Gabriel, her parents Richard and Karen Ervin, her sister Rebecca Kern (Will) and their daughters Cora and Violet, her sister in law Brittany Mele (Anthony) and their son Anders; Braden Mele; all of her many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins, whom she adored; and her many good friends.

She was preceded by her grandparents George and Dorothy Deighan, Mona and Bill Volante, Chuck 'Pop' Baker, and Harry and Sally Ervin; her mother-in-law Cathy Shingles; and her aunts Ellen Connors Ervin and Judy Deighan Faulkner.

Laura's viewing will be held on Saturday June 21 from 2:00 to 5:00 PM at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home 106 Shamrock Road Chester MD 21619. Following the viewing, refreshments will be served at 915 May Lane, Stevensville Maryland from 4:00 to 7:30 PM. There will be a live stream of a portion of the Viewing which will air starting sometime between 2:00 and 3:00 pm, and which can be accessed here:

<https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTc1MDI1ODUyNjM2NzYwOCZvbmVyb29tLWFKbWluJmNvcHlfGluaw==>

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the University of Maryland Medical Center Foundation, Grateful Paws Dog & Cat Rescue, or your local animal rescue shelter. Funeral arrangements will be posted in the future.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 21. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Laura Ervin Mele*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 20, 2025 at 02:16 PM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Laura Ervin Mele*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 18, 2025 at 11:10 AM

CK

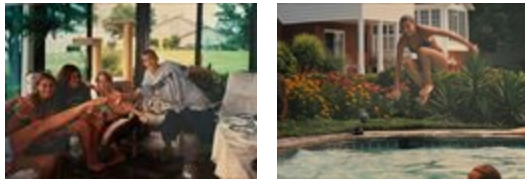
“ *She was such an amazing person. Her kindness and warmth made me feel so safe when I was around her. She was such a generous person and celebrated with me for everything that I accomplished. She was one of my main supporters, she was always there for me when I needed her and that was one of the amazing things that everyone loved about her. Her strength, courage and generosity were so unbelievably amazing. Laura was one of the strongest people that I have ever met. She went through so much and was so supportive to everyone in her life even though she was going through so much. I remember whenever we either went down to Kent Island or she came up to Mass she would always make time for me even if she wanted to talk to my mom. My aunt Laura was a devoted mother, a beautiful daughter, a loving sister, and a wonderful friend who shined a light into the world that will be greatly missed. We will miss you Laura, rest in peace my dear angel. We hope you rest easy.*



Cora K - October 12, 2025 at 11:16 AM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Britt Mele - June 24, 2025 at 02:30 PM

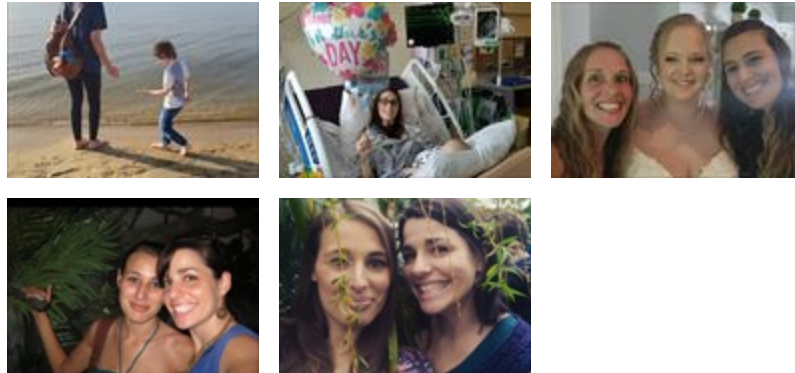
LB

“ A beautiful soul gone too soon...I had only known Laura a few months as a co-worker and always enjoyed working with her. She had a great sense of humor and was never phased by the day-to-day stresses of retail. Her love for her family, especially her little boy, Gabriel was evident. I will miss our funny conversations the most. Condolences to her family.
Lori B

Lori A Byrne - June 21, 2025 at 06:10 PM

BK

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Becky K - June 21, 2025 at 07:32 AM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mary McKenna - June 20, 2025 at 07:11 PM

MM

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Mary McKenna - June 20, 2025 at 07:07 PM

DP

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Doreen Patrick - June 20, 2025 at 03:55 PM

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Doreen Patrick - June 20, 2025 at 03:47 PM

TF

“ *The Dellanno, Faulkner & DiNapoli Families purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.*



The Dellanno, Faulkner & DiNapoli Families - June 20, 2025
at 02:32 PM

JM

“ *Jeannie and Art Mele purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.*



Jeannie and Art Mele - June 19, 2025 at 01:55 PM

BW

“ *Bill & Pam Waller lit a candle in memory of Laura Ervin Mele*



Bill & Pam Waller - June 19, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.*



June 19, 2025 at 10:19 AM

BW

“ *Bob & Sheila Willis sent a virtual gift in memory of Laura Ervin Mele*



Bob & Sheila Willis - June 18, 2025 at 11:28 AM

JO

“ *You were always the sweetest, nicest human to everyone. Thinking of you and your family* ❤️

Jodie - June 18, 2025 at 02:57 AM

BC

“ *I can remember the first time I met you, all those years ago at AAVEC. From the very start, we had a connection. We always did your (my mistake, *our haha) treatments together, and fast became close friends. Fast forward through the years and that connection became ever stronger. Your energy and passion could brighten even my darkest days. I love you Laura. Until we meet again, watch over us all.*

Bryan Channas - June 18, 2025 at 02:08 AM

CB

“ *I was so proud to see what a good mother you turned out to be*

Chris B - June 17, 2025 at 10:06 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.



June 17, 2025 at 03:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Laura Ervin Mele.

June 17, 2025 at 03:59 PM



“ Laura you were such an amazing young lady! I still can't believe that you're gone! Please watch over Bryan! My heart is broken in every way! Until we meet again sweetie! 🙏💕

Tina Bartlett - June 17, 2025 at 01:39 PM



“ Marc & Trish purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.



Marc & Trish - June 17, 2025 at 01:16 PM



“ Marc & Trish planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Laura Ervin Mele.

Marc & Trish - June 17, 2025 at 01:16 PM

KE

“ *Kristine E. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.*



Kristine E. - June 17, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Laura Ervin Mele.

June 17, 2025 at 11:22 AM

BW

“ *Sweet Laura gone too soon. May the angels come to greet you and lead you into paradise. Rest in Peace sweet girl!*

Bobbie Woollen - June 17, 2025 at 06:56 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Laura Ervin Mele.*



June 17, 2025 at 06:09 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Laura Ervin Mele.

June 17, 2025 at 06:09 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Laura Ervin Mele*.



June 16, 2025 at 10:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of *Laura Ervin Mele*.

June 16, 2025 at 10:45 PM



“ *Jeannie Delivuk Mele* lit a candle in memory of *Laura Ervin Mele*



Jeannie Delivuk Mele - June 16, 2025 at 06:47 PM



“ *Mary McKenna* lit a candle in memory of *Laura Ervin Mele*



Mary McKenna - June 16, 2025 at 05:24 PM

KD

“ *Kathy Campbell Deighan lit a candle in
memory of Laura Ervin Mele*



Kathy Campbell Deighan - June 16, 2025 at 04:19 PM