



Misty Luminais Babin

August 31, 1981 - June 14, 2020

Misty Luminais Babin, 38, passed away peacefully on June 14, 2020 surrounded by her loving family after a long battle with alcoholism.

Born on August 31, 1981, Misty was a lifelong resident of Metairie, LA. Misty was the perfect child. She was well behaved and always had a smile on her face. Her joy was infectious. She enjoyed endless days playing outside with her sisters, cousins and neighborhood friends where many holes were dug by hand, sawdust pies were eaten and movies reenacted. She was always loving and always willing to help anyone however she could.

At the young age of 16, Misty became a mother to a beautiful daughter, Rochelle. She was an attentive and loving young mother. Despite her age, Misty was able to finish high school and maintain a steady job. Misty eventually worked for the Archdiocese of New Orleans as an IT manager for many years. Her final job was at Winn-Dixie in Harahan.

It was around this time that Misty began her ongoing battle with addiction. It began slowly and casually. The thing about alcohol is that it is legal, and socially accepted. For most people, it never is a problem. Misty was not one of those people. Alcoholism is a disease that takes its time, coming and going over many years. Alcoholism is a thief. It stole Misty's family and friends. It stole her job and eventually it stole her life. The alcoholic can hide it, and Misty hid it well. But eventually it becomes too big and oftentimes too late. Misty did not choose a life that isolated her from her family and friends, she had no choice. She had multiple admissions to hospitals, detox, and rehab.

Too many to count. Each time she came out motivated and ready to change, and each time she was not able to sustain the change. Every admission, every hospitalization, every day Misty had someone there supporting her, encouraging her, picking up the pieces of her life when she couldn't. Misty did not always allow us in but we never stopped trying. We did everything possible to save her from this horror, but the reality was she had to do the work herself. Our hope and faith was big. Her hope and faith was big, she could do it this time. The addiction was bigger.

Near the end, it became more obvious to us that Misty's efforts were not working and the ending we all feared was near. No matter what we did, the monster she was battling was too big. Misty still never lost faith that she could overcome this beast. Some of the last words she said was "I choose life." Up until the very end she had hope.

The addiction not only stole Misty's life, but it stole from each person who knew and loved her. It stole our hope and faith, our expectations of what was possible. It stole her future and all the things she still had left to do and see. It stole all of the memories we still had left to make.

Misty is survived by her husband, Robert Babin, who loved her unconditionally; Her daughter, Rochelle and stepchildren, Sylvia, Alexander, Nicholas and Samuel; Her parents, Ronald and Janet Luminais (Misty was "Daddy's Little Girl"); Sisters, Aimee Luminais Calamusa (Dennis) and Christy Luminais; Grandchildren, "Nonna" to Scarlet Rae and Caiden; Nieces, Janae Luminais and Lexi and Stella Calamusa; She is also survived by a host of cousins, aunts and uncles who all played a very important role in Misty's life. A celebration of Misty's life will be held on Monday, June 29, 2020 from 5-8 PM (we ask that 5-6 PM be a time for family only) located at LaBella's Catering, 516 Compromise Street, Kenner, LA 70062. We ask that if you attend, you wear a mask and practice social distancing.

To share memories or condolences, please visit www.muhleisen.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

JUN **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LaBella's Catering
516 Compromise Street
Kenner, LA 70062

Tribute Wall



“ *Misty Luminais Babin*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *I read Misty's tragic story this morning. Thank you for having the strength to share it in your time of grief. I lost my partner to alcoholism three years ago and understand how tough a battle this disease is, especially when its victim is a sweet and gentle soul. My sincere and loving condolences to you all.*

patricia kaschalk - October 12, 2020 at 07:26 AM



Thank you and I'm so sorry for your loss.

Aimee Calamusa - October 14, 2020 at 03:16 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Misty Luminais Babin.*



June 29, 2020 at 03:43 AM

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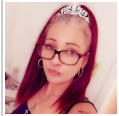
“ To Misty's family, I did not know Misty, but want to thank you for honestly listing her cause of death. It is so important that people realize how very loved the people are who are lost to this relentless disease. I hope others will follow your lead. I pray that the wonderful memories will sustain you, and the knowledge that she is finally free and healed. God Bless, Susan P.

susan - June 28, 2020 at 06:44 PM

JL

Thank you for your comforting words. Misty would have wanted others to know. We love and miss her so much, but had to warn others on her behalf.

Janet Luminais - June 28, 2020 at 07:28 PM



Thank you, I believe you have met her before at a mutual friend of yalls funeral and we have talked about her before. I appreciate the kind words. Thank you again God bless you

Christy Luminais - July 04, 2020 at 07:38 PM

AC

Thank you. Misty is loved and missed dearly. ❤️ Aimee, her sister

Aimee Calamusa - July 06, 2020 at 07:49 PM

RL

“ Mom, what can I say? I have soo many memories with you. One of the more recent ones being you insisting that your granddaughter be called “scarlet Rae” not just “scarlet” no matter how bad I fought you in that one, and anyone who knew you knows that you won that fight! You had a hard battle with alcohol that unfortunately you lost. We miss you mom.



rochelle luminais - June 27, 2020 at 04:33 PM

EL

So sweet, I think your Mom won, Scarlet Rae 💕💕💕

elaine - June 27, 2020 at 06:24 PM

DT

Janet and Ronnie, I was so shocked and saddened to see Misty's obit in the paper. I am so sorry for your loss and know how devastating this is to you and your family. I think of y'all often and Frank and I talk about y'all often, remembering the old days and great time we had together.

Donna Tamberella - June 29, 2020 at 08:31 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Misty Luminais Babin.



June 26, 2020 at 01:41 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Misty Luminais Babin.* ”



June 26, 2020 at 01:55 AM

JW

“ There are no words to express what a great person you are and the world lost a beautiful soul . From the time we was little girls playing with dolls , digging holes , eating " oatmeal " pies to running and screaming about to die bc of a big ass flying roach in your room you have been such joy to myself , your sisters and my brother. The dancing at hip hop nights at the club with Mary to getting your butt whooped from jas on our dance offs on the wii ... I truly miss you . I can't remember a time that you wasn't at my house ringing in a new year with us . The year you decided to be misses claus was the best outfit , it suited you well... Hiding all the used wrapping paper at Bobby's and Christys house was so funny. Nothing we could ever have done would ever top our Christmas tree completely decorated with pictures of your butt !!! You putting on gloves to eat crawfish?!?!?!? The whole house just stopped and looked at you like seriously who does that?!?!?!? you kept us well entertained for a while with your terrible personal desions... we used to call them episodes and seasons. Your sister and I had to make fake Facebook so we could watch over you 🙄. You have brought so many laughs to Christy and I just by being the unwillingly participant to so many endless pranks . The Christmas trees, wrapping paper, pools , bandids, cans under the truck was the greatest by far , there are so many years of laughs , and cries , late night fiascos . I would never be able to name them all . You mailing us all those Christmas cards each in a different language can never be topped ! You are truly loved and so deeply missed. No one will ever be able to fill your shoes . You are one of a kind . You always was worried about someone else even when you was falling apart yourself. People say you never realize how much you love someone till there gone , this is so true. I am so very blessed to have had all these wonderful memories with you . I will always cherish them and you will always hold a place in my heart . This has been way harder than I ever could expected , I am thankful that I got to be with you till the very end . I love you always

jami wilson - June 26, 2020 at 12:08 AM



Love you.

Aimee Calamusa - July 12, 2020 at 07:15 PM

AC

Jami, I'm just rereading everything and my heart. It misses her so much. What a great way to describe her beautiful soul.

Aimee Calamusa - October 14, 2020 at 03:19 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Misty Luminais Babin.*



June 25, 2020 at 08:21 PM

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“ *My Beautiful Niece, Nanny will always cherish the hundreds of phone calls we shared. The secrets we shared. And the Promises you so desperately wanted to keep. Im so Glad and so very Blessed that I was there for you when you needed a Friend an Aunt and mostly a Nanny to talk to. I will miss those as calls at 11a.m. And at 9.pm. Oh what am I saying. I DO miss them calls. I Do miss your voice. And that deep hee hee hee laugh... I will always remember a few weeks back You asked me to sing You that song I sang You when you was little. When you was in the car with me. And I laughed I didn't know you remembered that.. You sad " Nanny you messed it up so bad but I liked your version of it. Lolol. "Jesus loves me" You meet me at the Gates ok.*

(Nanny) Terileigh Grimes - June 25, 2020 at 08:12 PM

AC

Love you. I'm so glad she had you to talk to. I remember when her and I worked together. If we had any family questions we always called you first.

Aimee Calamusa - October 14, 2020 at 03:21 PM

SL

“ I did not actually know Misty but I feel as if I did because of her inspirational sister, Christy. I have cried, sympathized, prayed, and asked more questions about Misty and Christy because I don't have that natural born sister that I love as much as Christy loves Misty! I do have a sister-in-law that I consider as my sister and family that would devastate me if anything happened to them like this tragedy!!! I have nothing but love and sorrow for her short life and Christy's pain! I wish there was something more that I could offer in such a traumatic event but all I have is my heart and tears and soul and Christy, I think, knows that I am totally there for her with all of these. I feel like they had a true sisterly love that will be cherished for always and not everybody gets that strong sisterly bond!!!! I love everytime Christy talks about Misty and it makes me appreciate my family including and especially my sister in law! Brothers are awesome but there is something truly between two sisters! And I thank y'all for allowing me to share in her memories! I love u Christy and am here for u!



shannon liotta - June 25, 2020 at 01:37 AM

EL

“Misty you left us way to soon! You struggled to beat your disease but sometimes God has other plans. I am sure Grandma and Grandpa have taken you under their wings; making sure you meet all the family members who went before you.

I remember the innocent little girl playing at my house, the neon green and pink outfits Grandma got all you girls for Easter, the teenager who protected her daughter, Rochelle, and raised her to be a good person and mother.

Ronnie, Janet, Rochelle, Aimee and Christy,

My daily thoughts and prayers are with you all. God will give you strength, your memories of happy times will always be there.

*Love you all,
Elaine and Kenny*

Elaine - June 24, 2020 at 09:46 PM

AC

Love you. This was beautiful and now I'm crying again.

aimee calamusa - June 24, 2020 at 10:12 PM

EL

In my haste I forgot to mentioned Misty's husband, Robert, it goes without saying Misty loved you very much - my thoughts and prayers are with you always, Love Aunt Elaine

elaine - June 26, 2020 at 07:00 PM