



Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis

June 3, 1969 - September 1, 2018

Heaven gained a beautiful angel. Chrisi Lewis was taken too soon at the young age of 49 on September 1, 2018.

Chrisi was born on June 3, 1969 and raised in Visalia, CA. She graduated from Golden West High School in 1986. She was active in Future Farmers of America and showed hogs and steers as well as sharing a love for horses with her father Til Cheney. She was a member of the Visalia Rockette Drill Team for 8 years and in 1988 was crowned the Springville's Rodeo Queen. Chrisi met the love of her life, Todd Lewis, in 1986. They were married in 1990 and started their family in 1997. Their first blessing came in the summer with the birth of their beautiful daughter Kelsi. In 1999 their family grew with the birth of their ornery red headed twin sons, Zach and Cole. Chrisi and Todd shared a love like no other. When they met in high school they had no idea how their love would grow into 26 years of marriage full of love, laughter and forever happiness.

Chrisi's passion for health care drew her to her first career as a dental assistant. She later returned to school at the College of the Sequoias and graduated from their Registered Nursing Program in December of 1995. She began her nursing career at Kaweah Delta Hospital in the Intensive Care Unit in January of 1996. During her 22-years she worked in the ICU and the Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit, where she currently held the position as Charge Nurse. She received Kaweah Deltas highest honor, Nurse of the Year Award in 2014. In 2018 she completed her Bachelor's of Science in Nursing.

Chrisi was a dedicated employee of Kaweah Delta's Critical Care Team. Her work family describes her as the most kindhearted, selfless and amazing nurse leader who left an imprint on them all. No matter how busy she was she always took the time out of her day to make you feel special. Everyone who knew Chrisi admired her for the nurse, mentor, friend, and mom that we all loved.

Chrisi had a love for life. She loved to spend her free time at the beach, boating, spin class, decorating, and spending time with family and friends. Chrisi is survived by her husband, Todd, Kelsi, Zach and Cole; father Til "Father" Cheney and his girlfriend Jeanne Dawson, mother Judy "Helen" Wittman and stepfather Bill Wittman; father and mother in law Ralph and Lynn Lewis; brother Shawn Cheney; step-siblings: Renee and Jaime Arias and John and Jenny Wittman and family; sister in law Tracy Cavalho and family; along with multiple other family members. She was preceded in death by her grandpa and grandma Cheney and grandpa and grandma Merriss.

Services will be held for Chrisi on Friday, September 14, 2018 at 10:00 am at Visalia First Assembly of God. A Celebration of Life will immediately follow at the Sons of Italy Hall in Visalia.

We all loved her dearly and she will be forever missed.

Condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **14.** 10:00 AM (PT)

Visalia First Assembly of God
3737 S Akers St
Visalia, CA 93277

Tribute Wall



“ *Salsler & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Salsler & Dillard Funeral Chapel - September 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BI

“ *Judy and Family
Cecile and I were very saddened to hear of Chrisi's sudden and unexpected passing. Gone way to soon. Wanted you to know we are holding all of you in our thoughts and prayers. We hope that all your wonderful memories of her will eventually ease the pain that you feel now. All our love to you and your family.
Blair and Cecile Iden
Smoot, Wyoming*

Blair Iden - September 14, 2018 at 01:25 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis.*



September 14, 2018 at 03:11 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis.*



September 13, 2018 at 06:06 PM



“ *Dear Judy,
I was so very sorry to hear of your beautiful daughter's passing. We, too, have felt the deepest of all sadnesses.....losing a child. Reading so many wonderful things about her, I know how deeply loved and proud of her you are. You are in my prayers for healing of this tragedy. To know that she is going right on spreading her joy and passion for life and making heaven a little brighter, helps to ease the sorrow.*

*Susan Stanton Mangini
MWHS Class Friend*

Susan Stanton Mangini - September 12, 2018 at 07:26 PM

LC

“ *Til, Judy and Bill....we were heartbroken when we heard of the horrific accident that took Chrisi and Brian. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and all the family involved. Even though we did not know Chrisi we knew the family and friends around her. There is no tragedy more hurtful than losing a child, no matter at what age. She will be deeply missed but will be watching over us. With our deepest sympathy, Linda & Dewane Crase.*

Linda Crase - September 12, 2018 at 06:42 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis.*



September 12, 2018 at 02:14 PM

KE

“ *Kelly lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Kelly - September 12, 2018 at 12:13 AM

AC

“ Todd & Family

*Heaven has gained another angel
God always gives us rainbows after
thunderstorms ... 🌈☁️
May God's peace be with you in your time of
grieving ...
One more star will rise in the sky tonight ☆*



My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Annette Cardoza

Annette Cardoza - September 11, 2018 at 09:23 PM

ST

“ Prayers going out to Todd, their children, and
all family members. I'm deeply sorry for your
loss.
Staci Altaffer



Staci - September 11, 2018 at 08:57 PM

LA

“ Todd & family- there are no words to express how deeply sorry we
are for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with you. We love you
all very much.

Love, Uncle Nick & Aunt Lavonne

Lavonne - September 11, 2018 at 02:51 PM

LP

“ *Judy and all of the family,*

Just wanted to say I was so very sorry to hear of your loss. I really didn't know Chrisi but wanted you to know I am keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers. God has taken another beautiful flower for his garden. My he wrap you in his arms during this very difficult time. Much love to all.

Leslie Iden Paredez

Leslie Iden Paredez - September 10, 2018 at 01:12 PM

JP

“ *Jeanne Pitner lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Jeanne Pitner - September 10, 2018 at 01:20 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis.*



September 09, 2018 at 06:55 PM

GS

“ *Gorman Seal lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Gorman Seal - September 08, 2018 at 10:30 PM

AR

“ *Angela Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Angela Rodriguez - September 08, 2018 at 11:50 AM

RS

“ *Renee Savage lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Renee Savage - September 07, 2018 at 03:12 PM

JP

*God love her and may she Rest In Peace.
She was so young and had so much to do. She was way to young to
leave. May she Rest In Peace
Love to the family*

joe & virginia pedro - September 07, 2018 at 11:04 PM

GB

“ I did not know Chrisi but I went to school with Todd. I'm so sorry for your loss...words just don't seem to be enough. All I can do is continue keeping all of you in my prayers. 🙏
🌹 Just know that your TUHS family loves you Todd and we are here for you. 🧡❤️



Gloria Salinas Bridges - September 07, 2018 at 10:48 AM

KW

“ Prayers to th family .

Kristine Avila Willard - September 07, 2018 at 09:36 AM

ML

“ Even though I only got to talk to Chrisi on the phone in the mornings at work she was always so sweet, even if I had to scold her for forgetting her acuties she would laugh & I could never be mad at her. I will miss her voice. My condolences to her family and friends. 🙏❤️



Maria Lopez - September 07, 2018 at 02:00 AM

LL

“ Such a great person and nurse! Praying for all your family 🙏 R.I.P friend💔



Leann Lang - September 07, 2018 at 01:35 AM



“ Starbucks Coffee Condolences was purchased for the family of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis.



September 06, 2018 at 08:02 PM



“ Kaweah Detta lost a wonderful nurse but her legacy lives on in the lives of those who were lucky to be touched by her caring hands. Her special touch will live on through those for who she was a role model. Just as all who truly love the art and science of nursing know, to live in the lives of others is to never die. Thoughts and prayers to Chrisi's family. Bill, we are especially thinking of you too.
Kathy Wittman BSN, RN with husband Doug Tulare



Kathy Wittman - September 06, 2018 at 06:41 PM



God Bless all the families, parents, and extended family and friends. My hearts hurts for all of you. May God wrap you in his arms and help you. So very sorry for your loss.

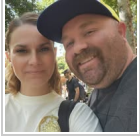
Marlene Andrade - September 09, 2018 at 01:02 AM



“ Stacy Sanchez & Family lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis



Stacy Sanchez & Family - September 06, 2018 at 04:55 PM



“ *Chrisi supported me as a charge nurse. I never had to worry about the amount of questions I had or the events that would happen. She was always there to lend a hand or knowledge when it was needed. I hope I can honor her throughout my career by being part of her legacy, as someone once beautifully stated. We will miss you dearly, but we've gained such a beautiful angel. My condolences during this very hard time.*



Katie Morley - September 06, 2018 at 04:44 PM



“ *Chrisi was with me and my children when my husband passed away. She was so kind and supportive. She would call or text me to see how my family was doing. To Chrisi's family love and support even though I don't know you. I will remember her strength, wit, and that gorgeous smile. You have an angel watching over you. God Bless you and everyone who was involved in this tragedy. Forever in our hearts.*



Diane Harmon - September 06, 2018 at 01:58 PM



“ *Tom And Kathy Guinn lit a candle in memory of Christine "Chrisi" L. Lewis*



Tom and Kathy Guinn - September 06, 2018 at 11:37 AM