



I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

Romans 8:18

“We do not have to rely on memories to recapture the spirit of those we have loved and lost – they live within our souls in some perfect sanctuary which even death cannot destroy.”

– Nan Witcomb



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Celebrating the life of



**RYLEIGH NICHOLE
HOPKINS**

July 3, 2004 - June 6, 2024

Life Story

Ryleigh Nichole Hopkins of Beggs, Oklahoma, passed away on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at the tender age of 19. She was born on July 3, 2004, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to her parents, Marci (Pilkington) Hopkins and Matt Swayze.

Ryleigh was a dedicated employee, working as a clerk at QuikTrip, where her cheerful demeanor was appreciated and her smile infectious. She always loved seeing new faces and meeting people. Before that, she worked as a personal shopper at Wal-Mart. Both jobs allowed her to express her personality and meet new people.

Ryleigh's graduated from Beggs High School in 2022. Ryleigh's high school years were filled with music, laughter, and friends. She played the flute in the marching and concert band and was a member of the color guard. She furthered her education concurrently at Green Country Technology School, where she earned a degree in cosmetology. She was a active member of the Beggs FFA Chapter and was a State FFA Degree recipient.

Ryleigh was a vibrant individual who enjoyed spending time with family and friends at the lake. Her personality was a blend of humor, warmth, and sass. She was often described as funny, bubbly, multifaceted, carefree, and a wildfire, leaving a lasting impression on everyone she met.

She is preceded in death by her beloved Gene "Papaw" Short, great-grandmother, Geraldine Smith, and two infant siblings of Matt and Sarah Swayze.

Ryleigh leaves behind a multitude of loving memories with her family. She is survived by her mother, Marci, and father, CJ Hopkins; her father, Matt Swayze, and his wife Sarah; her brothers, Dalton, Aiden, David, Corbin, Carson, and sister, Catherine. She is also survived by her grandparents, Ralph and Lavita Hill, Jim and Carla Pilkington, Sherry Swayze and Bobby Swayze, her great-grandmothers Dot "Grammy" Short and Chris Ballard, Uncle Derek and Aunt Cherri Pilkington, her uncle Lane, and Aunt Shay Pilkington, and cousins Dax, Claire, Harlan, Brooks, Breyden, Kaia, Ian, Tyler, Natalie, Mackenzie, Paisley, Hunter, Forrest, Dylan, Delilah, and Devin along with niece and nephew Jayden and Lillian as well as many other loving relatives from the families of the Hopkins, Swayze, Pilkington, Hill, and Coddling, Short and a host of friends. They will forever hold her in their hearts.

Ryleigh's legacy of love, laughter, and light will continue to inspire all who knew her. Though her time with us was far too short, her spirit will remain a guiding force, reminding us to embrace life with the same passion and joy that she did. She will be deeply missed, but her memory will live on in the hearts of those she touched.



Ryleigh Nichole Hopkins



Entered Into Life

July 3, 2004

Tulsa, Oklahoma

Entered Into Rest

June 6, 2024

Henryetta, Oklahoma



Funeral Service

1:00PM Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Beggs First Assembly of God

401 E Main St.

Beggs, Oklahoma 74421

Officiant

Mandi Atwell & Pastor Robert Yandell

Speaker

Ryan Coddling

Music

“Save You A Seat” by Alex Warren

“He Has You In His Hands” by Marvin Sapp

Pallbearers

Dalton Swayze - Ethan Hobbs - Stephen Hobbs
Shawn Powell - Ryan McCoy - Hagan Fisher - Ian Holmes

Graveside Service to Follow

Burton Roach Memorial Pavilion | Beggs Cemetery