



Amy Leigh Hanna

October 15, 1974 - June 18, 2021

Amy Whittaker Hanna, 46, of Mooresville North Carolina, passed away on Friday, June 18, 2021. Our sweet angel was called home to heaven. She was born on October 15, 1974 in Tulsa, OK, to Daniel R. Whittaker and Sharon Ray Heaps. Amy was the first of three children and always let the others know that she was "in charge". As a youth she was a girl altar server in the Catholic Church, she played basketball, softball (both slow pitch and fast pitch) and joined in with her brothers at cub scout events. As she grew into teenage years, she became an enthusiastic snow skier at Mt Baker and learned and enjoyed water skiing on Lake Whatcom in Bellingham WA. When Amy entered Bellingham High School, her world began to bloom larger. She was interested in the Japanese culture and took Japanese language classes. Amy applied for a Rotary International Exchange Student Program and was selected to spend 9 months in Japan which actually morphed into a year. She came back to us and graduated high school the same year as her brother Danny. After high school, Amy attended Western Washington University for 3 years. She left college for a year and explored Alaska and worked for the State of Alaska. Upon returning to the lower 48, Amy met Chip Hanna, the man who would become her husband and father of her children. It was a whirlwind courtship. Amy was beautiful, fun, engaging, and lovable. They were married on September 1, 2001 in Bow Washington. They spent their honeymoon in Scotland and received comfort and caring from the Scots during the 911 terror disaster. Chip and Amy lived in WA, CA, PA, MA, and NC during their 19+

year marriage. In 2006 Amy and Chip welcomed their first born son, and named him William. Amy was a thoughtful and loving mom and I remember her bursting out in tears when the visiting nurse came to the house to weigh the 3 day old newborn and announced that he had lost 3 ounces since birth. It was not what this mother had expected. She wanted to see him grow and gain. That attitude would not change- she always wanted to see her children grow and gain-in all ways. In 2007, Amy and Chip welcomed their second born son and named him after his dad, Charles, but tagged him with "Chase". And chasing she did! The "Irish twins" kept her busy and she loved every minute of watching them grow and learn and develop into fine young men. Amy loved her sons and spending time with her family. She was a wonderful wife and a great cook. She enjoyed visiting the beach and the mountains. Chip and Amy continued to travel and visited England, Costa Rica, Ireland and a trip to Japan to reconnect with her Exchange Student Families. At the age of 40, she graduated in MA with a degree in Dental Hygiene from Quinsigamond Community College. She was passionate about her patients and providing them with the best care. She practiced in North Carolina. Amy always was optimistic, supportive, kind and loving. She became a leader in her sons' Boy Scout Troop 173. She had an infectious laugh, beautiful smile, and was loved by many. She will be missed by everyone who knew her, but never forgotten. In addition to her parents, Daniel and Sharon; she is survived by her husband, Charles "Chip" Hanna III; sons, William Hanna, Chase Hanna; step-father, David Heaps, MD; brothers, Dan Whittaker (Amy), Dane Whittaker (Anne); step-brothers, Matt Heaps (Traci), Scott Heaps (Rachel); step-sister, Valerie Chatterley; mother-in-law, Marsha Johnson (Tom Robertson); father-in-law, Charles H. Hanna Jr. (Maria); brother-in-law, Craig Hanna (Sally); and nieces and nephews; Aubrey, Ashley, Bailey, Cameron, Cooper, Gage, Hadley, Hudson, Jessica, Kaelin, and Taylor. Her paternal grandparents, (deceased) Ray and Rosemary Whittaker; maternal grandparents, (deceased) John and Cecilia Ray.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 26 at St.

Therese Catholic Church, Mooresville NC.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Hanna family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Previous Events

Mass

JUN **26**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Therese Catholic Church
217 Brawley School Road
 Mooresville, NC 28117

Tribute Wall



“ Amy's friendship was such a bright spot in my childhood and college years! I was so sad we fell out of touch when she moved across the country, but her impact on my life was great. She had the best sense of humor and a heart of gold. I am so sad to have just learned about her death. I hope she had good friends in North Carolina who got to experience her joy and friendship. We loved her and are so heartbroken she is gone.

Heather Babbitt Phillips - July 15, 2021 at 01:33 PM

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“ Amy I cannot believe this is true, you were always a joy to work with. Such a fun, wacky gal who adored her family and had passion for her interests. Rest In Peace, sweet Amy, you will be missed

Emily Davis - June 26, 2021 at 01:22 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.



June 25, 2021 at 02:42 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.



June 25, 2021 at 01:18 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.*



June 24, 2021 at 10:23 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.*



June 24, 2021 at 09:58 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.*



June 24, 2021 at 05:12 PM



“ *Dot & Dave Conner & Family - West Chester, PA purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.*



Dot & Dave Conner & Family - West Chester, PA - June 24, 2021 at 04:30 PM

MA

“ *What a great, encouraging, sweet friend Amy was... She will be missed so much!*

Michele Arnold - June 24, 2021 at 09:57 AM

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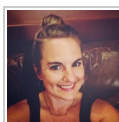
“ *Beautiful Amy..... full of vim and vigor, feisty. Her laugh cascading, filling the room. I hear her and see her smile flashing as she turns. Memories of her that are splashes of sunlight and hold an essence of love will remain. Good bye sweet woman, so sorry your spirit has left us. God now holds you in his arms.*

Deb Lambert - June 23, 2021 at 10:19 AM

JE

“ *I'm going to miss you terribly!! We always had fun being the bad scout moms. Miss you girl. You were an amazingly chipper girl and so upbeat!*

Jennifer - June 22, 2021 at 11:33 PM



I'm so glad Amy had you in her life. She was so much fun and such a wonderful friend!

Heather Babbitt Phillips - July 15, 2021 at 01:30 PM

MJ

“ Amy was my niece. She was smart, funny, adventurous, and beautiful inside and out. I will always remember her as a happy soul, full of life.

On her wedding day, she came home from getting her make-up done and was not happy with the results so she re-did it and still made it to the wedding on time. If i remember correctly there could had been some tears too. What a gal!



Mary Jo - June 22, 2021 at 05:20 PM



I remember this too Mary Jo! She was so beautiful and I am so glad I got to be part of her special day!

Heather Babbitt Phillips - July 15, 2021 at 01:52 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Amy Leigh Hanna.



June 22, 2021 at 03:44 PM

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“ Amy is my Niece. I was only a teenager and Amy was a toddler when I took her out for ice cream. Still in the neighborhood I hit a fence a knocked it down, she laughed so hard and I was scared I would never be able to take her out again, so I just took off. She never repeated what happened that day and was our secret 😊. When Amy was born I was so excited! My Mom (Amy's Grandma) let me stay home from school when Sharon was in Labor and go to the hospital to wait, I sat with her Grandma Ray and Grandma Whitt, I still remember Dan coming out in his scrubs to tell us it was a girl. RIP my little Amy Leigh, always love you. Aunt Glo

gloria Ramsey - June 22, 2021 at 03:40 PM