



Ella Grace Ayers

December 14, 2006 - April 17, 2026

In Loving Memory of Ella Grace Ayers

She is dancing in heaven, cradled in the arms of Jesus.

Ella Grace Ayers, 19, was born on December 14, 2006, in Pinehurst, North Carolina, to Dan and Denise Ayers. She went to be with Jesus on April 17, 2026.

Ella is survived by her loving parents, Dan and Denise, and her younger brother, Jacob, of Mooresville, NC.

Her love for Jesus, family, and friends was evident in her daily life and in the way she nurtured her relationships. Ella shared an especially close bond with her younger brother, Jake, who was also her best friend. She loved deeply and effortlessly, filling every room with her gregarious personality, radiant smile, and contagious laughter. She leaves behind unforgettable memories for all who were blessed to know her.

Ella was the best daughter, sister, and friend anyone could ask for. Her heart was larger than life, and she welcomed everyone with genuine kindness. She had a unique gift for making others feel seen, valued, and important, helping them recognize their own beauty and potential.

Her passion for dance began at a very young age and continued throughout her life as she competed with grace and determination. She was a natural leader and a bright light in the lives of so many.

An incredible chef, Ella poured her heart into creating memorable, from-scratch meals. She transformed ordinary evenings into cherished candlelit dinners with loved ones, where soulful jazz played softly in the background and conversation lingered late into the night. She loved visiting markets for fresh ingredients and never missed a trip to her favorite bakery. Her creativity in the kitchen was fueled by her daily pursuit of fitness and nutritional excellence.

Always embracing life's adventures, Ella loved to travel and explored her creativity through disc jockeying, painting, and playing the guitar. She was an avid wake surfer who felt most at peace on the water, often soaking up the sun and capturing the beauty of a perfect sunset.

Ella was a freshman student at UNCC and a proud member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, where she found deep sisterhood and lifelong friendships.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Ronald McDonald House of Greater Charlotte (www.rmhclt.org/donate/). When donating, please include Ella's name under "I would like to dedicate this gift." The Ronald McDonald House is the national philanthropy of Alpha Delta Pi, and its mission is to provide essential services that remove barriers, strengthen families, and promote healing when children need healthcare.

Ella's spirit will forever inspire us, and her memory will live on in the hearts of all who love her.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Ella's life on Saturday, May 2, 2026, from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM at The Venues at Langtree, 554 Langtree Road, Mooresville, NC 28117. In true Ella fashion, guests are encouraged to dress with a Mediterranean-inspired, chic garden tea party theme-think Coastal Italy or Spain, with linen, flowy dresses, and, of course, sunglasses.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2026, at 3:00 PM at Lake City Church, 311 Bluefield Road, Mooresville, NC 28117.

Flowers are accepted and may be sent to the funeral home.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is proudly serving the Ayers family.

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

MAY 2. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

The Venues at Langtree
554 Langtree Road
 Mooresville, NC 28117

Celebration of Life

MAY 3. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Lake City Church
311 Bluefield Road
 Mooresville, NC 28117

Tribute Wall

DC

“ Our deepest condolences to you Dan, Denise, Jake and the rest of your family. We just can't imagine the extent of grief that comes with losing such a bright spot in your life... but as you already know Ella's light will continue to shine and guide you throughout your lives. She was sooo special! Love, Scott and Donna

Donna and Scott Chamberlain - May 12 at 07:54 AM

WK

“ With Love, Ryan, Kim, Chloe, & Kierstin purchased the Southern Magnolia Tree for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



With Love, Ryan, Kim, Chloe, & Kierstin - May 03 at 12:01 PM

WK

“ With Love, Ryan, Kim, Chloe, & Kierstin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

With Love, Ryan, Kim, Chloe, & Kierstin - May 03 at 12:01 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



May 02 at 12:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

May 02 at 12:21 PM



“ Southern Magnolia Tree was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



May 02 at 09:45 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

May 02 at 09:45 AM



“ The Everhart Family purchased the Glorious Grace Bouquet for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



The Everhart Family - May 02 at 08:25 AM



“ The Everhart Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

The Everhart Family - May 02 at 08:25 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



May 01 at 11:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

May 01 at 11:39 PM



“ Hayden & Avery Rea purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



Hayden & Avery Rea - May 01 at 09:25 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



May 01 at 06:30 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.*



May 01 at 03:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

May 01 at 03:01 PM



“ *Dear Ayers Family, I was so very sorry to hear of Ella's passing. She was such a determined and disciplined student in AP World History her sophomore year. She pushed herself to achieve academically on a level she'd not yet experienced and I'm proud of her for it. Her peers and teachers are better off for knowing her. May God's peace be with all of you. Micah Roseman, LNHS*

Micah Roseman - May 01 at 02:48 PM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.*



May 01 at 10:52 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

May 01 at 10:52 AM



“ Great Grandma Rose purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



Great Grandma Rose - May 01 at 09:56 AM



“ Ever Upward Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



April 30 at 06:37 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



April 30 at 03:59 PM

SF

“ I am so sorry, Ella was an absolute amazing soul and she will remain a memory and impact in my life.



Sydney Faires - April 29 at 07:16 PM

WJ

“ With Love, Erin and Ava Johnson purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



With Love, Erin and Ava Johnson - April 29 at 03:55 PM

WJ

“ With Love, Erin and Ava Johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

With Love, Erin and Ava Johnson - April 29 at 03:55 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



April 29 at 03:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

April 29 at 03:23 PM



“ Anne S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

Anne S. - April 29 at 11:47 AM



“ Ella earned the "Elle Woods" award in our AP Literature class for her vivacity, sharp mind, warm personality, and fearless spirit. Ella could change the feeling of a room the moment she walked in; she made each school day a little brighter for all of us.

Anne Sloan - April 29 at 11:44 AM



“ The Degillio's purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



The Degillio's - April 29 at 10:13 AM



“ The Degillio's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

The Degillio's - April 29 at 10:13 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.*



April 29 at 09:26 AM



“ *I remember Ella as a little girl besties with my daughter in elementary school. She had such a bright light and beautiful spirit. I am praying for the Ayers family in this unimaginable loss. Rest in the arms of Jesus, sweet Ella.*



Gabriella Espada - April 29 at 12:09 AM



“ *Gabby and Jason Espada purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.*



Gabby and Jason Espada - April 29 at 12:03 AM



“ *Gabby and Jason Espada planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.*

Gabby and Jason Espada - April 29 at 12:03 AM

TR

“ Dear Dan, Denise, and Jacob,

During this difficult time, Lori and I hold you close in our hearts and earnestly pray that God's peace may surround and comfort you. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.

*With heartfelt sympathy,
Tim and Lori*

Tim Ring - April 28 at 01:47 PM

TJ

“ *Ella's smile lit up the room. Her kindness to others and compassion shown even at the early age of 10. Her spirit will be missed dearly.*

Traci Jones - April 28 at 11:26 AM

PM

“ *Such a beautiful light! I am blessed to have known Ella for a short while as she tackled the guitar under the guidance of my sweet husband Mark. I'm sure she is with Jesus dancing and laughing. Prayers for her dear family.*

Penny Matthews - April 28 at 10:21 AM

JF

“ *John & Monique Powell, and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.*



John & Monique Powell, and Family - April 28 at 10:20 AM

JF

“ John & Monique Powell, and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.

John & Monique Powell, and Family - April 28 at 10:20 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



April 27 at 07:16 PM

RB

“ Dan & Denise. Judi and I send our prayers for peace and understanding during this time. We are greatly saddened for you and your family's loss and I am sure we missed a great opportunity in not getting to meet your daughter, Ella Grace. We are so sorry and send our heartfelt condolences.

Ralph & Judi Brittain - April 27 at 04:54 PM

TF

“ The Lancaster Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ella Grace Ayers.



The Lancaster Family - April 27 at 03:14 PM

TF

“ *The Lancaster Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ella Grace Ayers.*

The Lancaster Family - April 27 at 03:14 PM