



## Susan Elizabeth (Beth) Gaines

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Susan Elizabeth (Beth) Gaines was born April 15, 1969, in Memphis, Tennessee, to John and Linda Walls. She is survived by her mother Linda Walls Holmes, her sister Karen Flowers, her brother John Walls, Jr., her daughter Lauren Clardy, her son Clayton Gaines, her daughter Olivia Gaines, and her grandchildren Konner Clardy, Kinsley Turnage, and Lila Clark.

Beth worked at Youth Villages, in the Memphis Circuit Court System, and at Camp Shelby in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. She also worked for a time at Dairy Queen, where she loved conversing with people about their lives and delicious ice cream. She enjoyed rescuing animals, even as a young child bringing home many strays. She was an avid photographer, which means she is not in many photos, herself. She also enjoyed working in flower gardens, where she always commented on their loveliness, listening to music, attending arts and craft festivals, playing cards and dominoes, and finding hidden treasures at thrift shops and yard sales. She had a gift for seeing beauty and value that others did not see.

On March 8, 2026, her organs were donated following an organ donation ceremonial walk. She had been inspired by her mother in a conversation about organ donation a few years before her death. She chose to donate

because she wanted to make a positive difference in others' lives.

A memorial service will be held for Beth on March 21, 2026, at Trinity Baptist Church, 8899 Trinity Road, Cordova, TN 38018. The visitation will be at 1:30 p.m., with the service to follow at 2:00 p.m.

The family asks that if you would like to make a donation in memory of Beth, your gift may be made to any of the following:

Methodist Transplant Institute 1265 Union Avenue, 4 Shorb Memphis, TN  
38104

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN  
38105

Or a charity of your choice to benefit those who struggle with addictions.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR 21. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Baptist Church  
8899 Trinity Road  
Cordova, TN 38018

# Tribute Wall

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“ SKF office purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Susan Elizabeth (Beth) Gaines.



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**SKF office** - March 20 at 10:03 PM

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“ SKF office planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan Elizabeth (Beth) Gaines.

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**SKF office** - March 20 at 10:03 PM

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“ I will always remember celebrating Beth's birthday with her. We went to Piccadilly for lunch. We then went to Nothing Bundt Cakes and ran a few errands. I am praying for the entire family during the grieving process. I pray for strength, comfort, and peace. You are loved.

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**Kathryne Flowers** - March 18 at 10:48 AM