



# ***Melissa Edwards***

January 28, 1978 - October 15, 2025

**Mass of Christian Burial**  
Friday, October 24, 2025 10:30 a.m.  
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church  
Nederland, Texas

Processional

*“Amazing Grace”*

## **GATHERING RITE**

### **GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY**

As a reminder of Melissa’s Baptism, her casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of her Baptism, is placed on the casket.

*“If we have died with Christ, we are also to live with Christ in glory.”*

Opening Prayer

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

Response: *“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”*

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-9

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

John 20:11-18

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts      *“Lord, I Need You”*

Eucharistic Acclamations      Holy, Holy, Holy  
Mystery of Faith  
Great Amen

Communion Rite      The Lord’s Prayer  
Sign of Peace  
Lamb of God

Communion      *“Be Not Afraid”*

Meditation      *“Ave Maria”*

Prayer After Communion

## FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:

**PRESIDER:** Saints of God, come to her aid. Hasten to meet her angels of the Lord.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

**PRESIDER:** May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself, and may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

**PRESIDER:** Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

Prayer of Commendation

## PROCESSION TO PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Recessional      *“How Great Thou Art”*



*Melissa Ann Edwards*, beloved wife, mother, daughter, sister, and friend, passed away peacefully on October 15, 2025, at the age of 47.

Born on January 28, 1978, Melissa brought joy and light into the world from the very beginning. She graduated from Nederland High School in 1996 and went on to build a life rooted in love, faith, and family. On October 5, 2002, she married the love of

her life, Brent Edwards, and together they created three beautiful children: Cameron, Jayme, and Jady (deceased January 2008). Melissa was endlessly proud of her family and poured her heart into being a devoted and loving mother and wife.

She was the cherished daughter of Darlene and Scott Bonsall and Rexford Fletcher, and a beloved sister to Scott Bonsall, Jr., Nicole Bonsall, Rusty Fletcher, and Dusty Fletcher. Melissa's deep connection to her family was one of the most important parts of her life. She truly cherished family gatherings and found happiness simply in being surrounded by the people she loved.

Melissa worked with compassion and dedication at Synergy Healthcare for nine years, always bringing her trademark warmth and kindness to everyone she met. A woman of quiet strength and deep faith, she was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church, where she found comfort and community.

Melissa had a beautiful, contagious smile and a heart that welcomed everyone. She was known for her joy, her laughter, and her ability to make others feel loved and seen. She was especially proud to be a “Nana” and shared a special bond with her goddaughter, Ariana, whom she loved dearly.

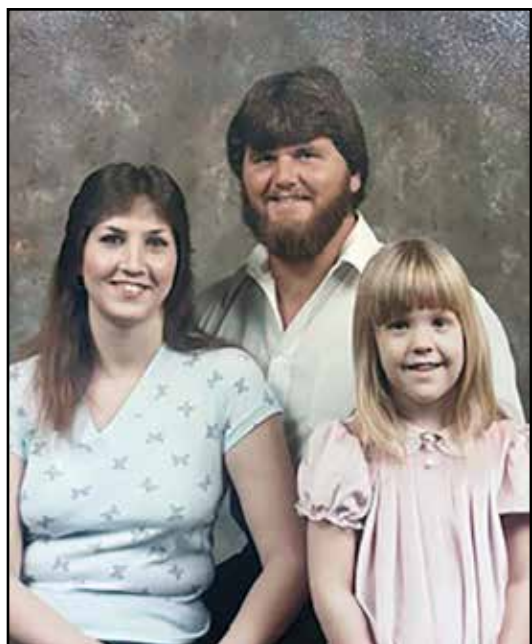
Melissa’s legacy is one of love, joy, and unwavering devotion to her family and faith. Her presence will be deeply missed, but her spirit will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

Survivors include her husband, Brent Edwards; parents, Rexford Fletcher and his wife, Cindy and Darlene Bonsall and her husband, Scott; daughters, Cameron Edwards and Jayme Edwards; sister, Nicole Bonsall and her fiancé, Joe Evans; brothers, Scott Bonsall, Jr. and his companion, Tammy Loupe, Rusty Fletcher, and Dusty Fletcher; and God daughter, Ariana.

She is preceded in death by her daughter, Jayden Edwards.

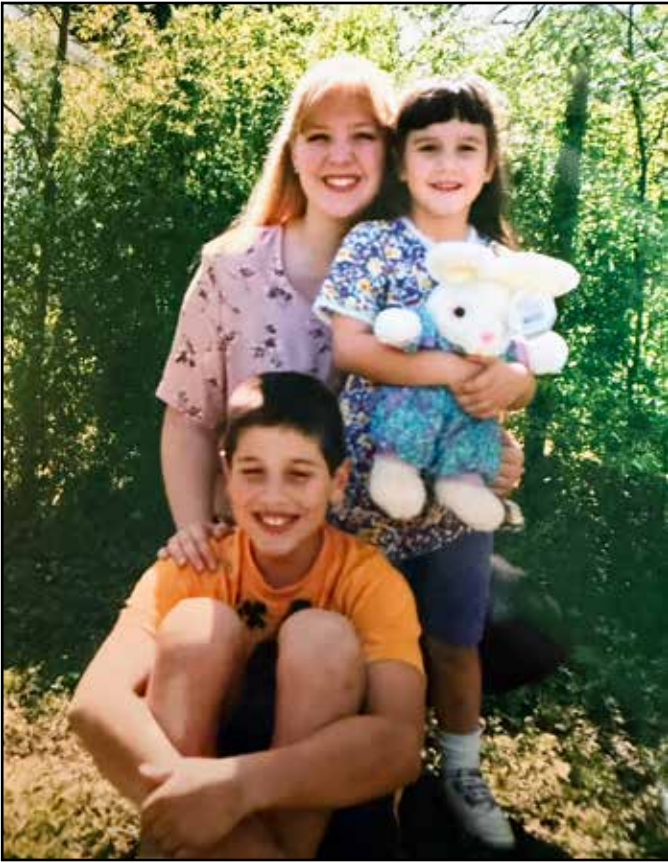










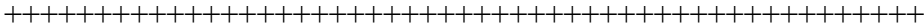




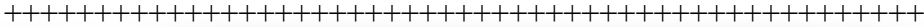








Celebrant	Reverend John H. Hughes
Placing of the Pall	Her Family
Gift Bearers	Cameron Edwards and Jayme Edwards
Lector	Linda Molina-King
Cantor	Denise Broussard
Accompanist	Darla Lawless
Pallbearers	Scott Bonsall Jr., Joe Evans Rusty Fletcher, Evan Edwards Nestor Resendiz, Gabriel Rodriguez



**Interment**  
Oak Bluff Memorial Park  
Port Neches, Texas



Please sign Mrs. Edwards' guest book and share your memories at  
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