



## Sondra Elaine Payne

September 7, 1949 - June 13, 2015

Sondra Elaine Payne, 65, of Milton, passed away at home early Saturday morning, June 13, 2015.

She was preceded in death by her father Bobby Payne.

She is survived by her daughter Kelsey Payne of Milton; mother Jewell Payne of Winfield; her brother Brad Payne (Joy Adkins) of Huntington; granddaughter Kendall Payne of Milton; her best friend Melissa McGinty of Virginia Beach, VA and many more friends and family across the United States.

Sondra was a graduate of Charleston High School Class of 1967 and soon after made her way to WVU, earning her degree in Social Services. She continued her education at George Mason University where she received her Master's degree in Psychology. In her wonderful fulfilled years of living she reached every dream she set her mind to. With her education and love of people, her career and passion in life was to help mentally impaired persons. During her career, she was able to build 12 community houses and saved many lives.

Sondra was a gentle, kind, and giving soul whose bright brown eyes and contagious smile were able to light up a room. She loved talking with anyone

and always loved to take the opportunity to help a stranger if she could. She had a magnetic personality which had given her the gift to make friends very easily. She loved life and took every minute possible to find something joyful to celebrate.

There will be a memorial service held Friday at 11:00 am at the Milton Free Methodist Church, 1741 West Route 60 Milton, WV.

To share a memory of Sondra or to express condolences, please visit [www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com)

Chapman Funeral Home, family owned and located at 3624 Winfield Road, Winfield, is honored to serve the Payne family.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Milton Free Methodist Church  
1741 West Route 60  
Milton, WV

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sondra Elaine Payne*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *So sorry to see the news that Sondra had passed. My deepest sympathy to Jewell, Brad, her daughter, granddaughter and all her family. I have such good memories of Sondra growing up on Oakridge Dr. together. Prayers for her family. Joy Gunnoe*



joy gunnoe - June 19, 2015 at 03:48 PM



“ *She was my friend. Melissa McGinty*

Melissa Anne McGinty - June 19, 2015 at 11:43 AM



“ *Janet Messer purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Sondra Elaine Payne.*



Janet Messer - June 18, 2015 at 11:48 PM



“ I was sitting with Sondra's granddaughter Kendall watching her barbie show and she was asking me about mixing different colors together to form new colors. Well of course Miss Kendall stumped me on a question and while I was thinking of the answer she quickly replied with sparkle in her eyes "if Nonnie was down here and not up there, she'd know because Nonnie was smart". It really touched me! Sondra Payne was very smart, yes I knew her most likely the least amount of time of anyone recording a memory on here but to know Sondra for even a day was long enough to know that she loved life, she loved her family! Sondra Payne was smart indeed, she raised a beautiful strong daughter and now her daughter is raising Sondra's beautiful and strong granddaughter. Sondra will never be forgotten by so many but she will forever live on in her legacy of love passed down to her girls!

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**Tyson Miller** - June 18, 2015 at 06:29 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sondra Elaine Payne.



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June 17, 2015 at 06:06 PM



“ Many awesome shared memories with my mentor, friend and confident. Sondra was bright with a huge heart towards helping others.  
..Kelsey was her everything! Just when Sondra thought life couldn't get any better Kelsey made a grand entrance to complete her family.what a gift to have known Sondra....  
Forever in my heart

.Fly high my friend...Blessings to all

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**Brenda Friend-Yaeger** - June 17, 2015 at 05:35 PM

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“ Rick And Linda Nowlin lit a candle in memory of Sondra Elaine Payne



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**Rick and Linda Nowlin** - June 17, 2015 at 05:28 PM

JA

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**Joy Adkins** - June 17, 2015 at 02:47 PM

MS

“ *Sondra was a great person who will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace. -- Madi Spangler* ”



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**Madi Spangler** - June 17, 2015 at 02:30 PM

JA

“ *Joy Adkins lit a candle in memory of Sondra Elaine Payne* ”



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**Joy Adkins** - June 17, 2015 at 02:24 PM

JA

*We will miss you Sondra! with love from Brad, Joy, Emily, Madi and Colin*

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**Joy Adkins** - June 17, 2015 at 03:06 PM

JA

“ *Sondra was a loving lady and showed my 3 children -- Emily, Colin and Madi Spangler -- a lot of love and encouragement as they were growing up. She will be missed!* ”

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**Joy Adkins** - June 17, 2015 at 02:22 PM

JM

“ *My you find comfort in loving memories. We love you . Jo and Dan Mayberry* ”

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**Jo mayberry** - June 17, 2015 at 11:59 AM

JM

“ *Jo Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Sondra Elaine Payne*



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**Jo mayberry** - June 17, 2015 at 11:56 AM

BW

“ *I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Sondra. We were together in the first grade to the 12 grade in Charleston. My heart goes out to her family during this time. Sending love and prayers. Barbara Wilson-Dobos*



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**Barbara Wilson-Dobos** - June 17, 2015 at 08:38 AM

SR

“ *I will always remember Sondra for her generosity of spirit and her bubbly personality. She will be greatly missed!*



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**Susan Rennie** - June 16, 2015 at 02:53 PM