



Andrea "Andi" Marie Hovatter

October 11, 1978 - October 13, 2019

Andrea "Andi" Marie Hovatter, 41, of Laurel, passed away on Sunday, October 13, 2019 at Delaware Hospice Center in Milford.

She was born on October 11, 1978 in Cambridge, Maryland, a daughter to Donald and Lynn Derickson of Hebron.

Andi graduated from Mardela High School with her class in 1996, and continued her education by graduating from the Beebe School of Nursing in 2003, as a Registered Nurse.

The training, knowledge, and experience led her to a position of ER nurse at both Peninsula Regional Medical Center and Atlantic General Hospital. Her most recent employment was that of a Home Health Nurse stationed in Georgetown.

She loved spending time with family and friends the most though. She was always fun to be with and could always find a way to make you laugh or at least smile. She had a wonderful sense of adventure and enjoyed traveling with her family to Tennessee, spending her leisure to camping, kayaking, rafting, fishing, and trips to a local beach. She just thoroughly enjoyed family time doing whatever.

Most importantly though, she loved being the mom to her boys, Braeden and Nathaniel. (B & Nate) They were her universe!

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her high school sweetheart and loving husband of 15 years, Kevin Hovatter; sons, Braeden and Nathaniel Hovatter; a sister, Heather Derickson-Clary; nephews, Tyler and Ryan Moore,

and Skyler Derickson-Davis; and one of her many beloved friends, Karen Taylor.

A memorial service will be held at 11am on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at Central Worship Center, 14545 Sycamore Road, Laurel. A visitation for family and friends will be held one hour prior to this service. Pastor Tim Dukes will officiate.

In memory of Andi, contributions may be sent to her sons, Braeden and Nathaniel Hovatter, through the Hebron Savings Bank. Services are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Central Worship Center
14545 Sycamore Road
Laurel, DE 19956

Service

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

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Tribute Wall

KF

“ *Im just finding out about this angel leaving us. She was a precious soul. My fondest memory was one day while working with Andi in the ED, she looked at me and said that I should make her some strawberries dipped in chocolate. She gave me this mischievous look and laughed like only Andi could laugh. I surprised her the next shift that we worked together and made the comment, "I know you love me Kim Ford." I do you love you Andi and thank you for all the fun memories.*

Kimberly Ford - November 27, 2019 at 12:15 AM

DP

“ *Andi had such a heart of gold and will be missed by so many..... Been friends since we were teenagers and it's just hard to comprehend that she is gone :(..... My condolences to all of the family, I have kept you all in my thoughts and prayers.*

David Pietroski - October 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM

JL

“ *You're contagious laugh my friend and co-worker will always be dear to my heart. That laugh carried many of us through some Rough shifts. Love you Andrea.*

julie long - October 20, 2019 at 02:55 PM

GH

“ Oh Andi, you were always such a sweet soul and a blessing to all of us who knew you. Your smile and laugh was infectious. You could just light up a room when you walked in. Through your terrible battle you were always strong and had you trust in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Your family should be proud of all your many accomplishments during your 41 short years. No doubt your husband and boys will speak of you often and remember the special love you held in your heart for the three of them. Your family saw you as a shining star so bright it lit up the night. Yes, you were very much loved by us all...even though you never did apologize for climbing under the seats on my school bus many years ago, I continue to laugh about it still today. I love you and you will definitely be missed. Fly high with the Angel's. Until we meet again....❤️🙏✝️



Gina Hatton - October 20, 2019 at 01:34 AM

CV

“ I met Andrea couple years ago. I make applesauce cakes holiday time. She got in touch with me and ordered cakes from me to be delivered at her mom's and she would get them. She always would let me know how much she liked them and shared that she was hoping to get them every year. From that we began talking and I found out she graduated with my son. I lost him at age 28 from a heart transplant. She shared memories of him with me and I instantly felt like I knew her for years. I will miss her. I will be delivering applesauce to her mom's home over Xmas holidays in honor of her for free to be enjoyed by her family.

Cathy calloway vance - October 19, 2019 at 04:13 PM

MW

“Heather, Mr. and Mrs. Derickson and family. I regret that I cannot make the memorial today, but please believe Andi and her family has been in my heart and on my mind ever since she passed. I will keep praying for everyone, and especially her sons. I know she is in Heaven watching over you all. We are not saying good bye, just we will see you later. May God put his arms around you all today and give you strength.

Maggie Wilkerson - October 19, 2019 at 11:36 AM



Thank you Miss Maggie

Heather Clary - October 19, 2019 at 01:56 PM



“Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Andrea "Andi" Marie Hovatter.



October 19, 2019 at 11:06 AM

DW

“Andi, we watched your parents date and spent many weekends with Uncle Sid, Granny & Kay. I'm sure they are enjoying showing you around heaven. Our prayers to your family. Donna, Don & Barbara White

Donna White-Elliott - October 19, 2019 at 06:55 AM

MA

“We will always remember how she smiled through everything no matter what. RIP ❤️ - maria and marco

maria - October 18, 2019 at 02:39 PM

LB

“Andi was such a giving and happy person. She never met a stranger. She dog sat for me about 20 years ago after I got married and said I had a big behind house with nothing in it. We had just moved in and had empty rooms. This has forever been the name for our home. I am so glad I had the opportunity to know her and her family. You will forever be missed. Dance my friend. You are no longer in pain. Until we meet again! ❤️

Lori Brewster - October 18, 2019 at 12:36 PM



There's no stuff!!! LOL

Heather Clary - October 19, 2019 at 01:57 PM

BD

“Dr. Derickson I am unable to attend Andrea's funeral tomorrow. Please know that you and her entire family remain in my thoughts and prayers.

Betty Darby-Glime - October 18, 2019 at 11:34 AM



I never knew you , never met you never seen you until about a minute ago for some reason your picture just popped up on my phone. I got the chills for some reason and the word Jory or Cory popped out of my mouth why i don't know but for what it's worth to your family or friends it may mean something . You are a light you are an angel now and forever . Still helping in every and anyway that you can . May God Bless your Bless You & May Your Wings Carry You To All Of Your Dreams Now ! Your Not Sleeping Your Now Experiencing The Beauty and Wonders OF Heaven Amen Thank you to all of andi s family and friends for letting me post on your behalf . God Bless You All. Love Karen Ann Cautela just another child of God passing through Amen

Karenann Csutela - October 19, 2019 at 04:05 AM

JT

“Andi, I just heard the news! This is so sad! You were way too young and positive and kind to ever get cancer in the first place. It had the wrong person. I'm so, so sorry to hear. You were always so positive and so friendly. I remember you were always teasing us after school after wrestling and cheerleading practice. You were so friendly and one of the most positive people I knew. You were one of the best of people and the world gets a little darker with you gone. So sad to see you go. Be at peace. May the Good Lord comfort your family. So sad!

Jesse Taylor - October 18, 2019 at 07:37 AM

SS

“So sorry to learn of Andrea's passing. She was one of my 4-Hers. She was much too young to go. My heart aches for her husband and sons and the rest of her family.

Susan Schoenian - October 17, 2019 at 10:43 PM

DL

“My sweet sweet Andi your testimony continues to bless us all! From the day I met you I saw your sweet spirit and through the years that spirit has shown me how strong a woman can truly be! I admire your desire to help others that was only one of the many talents God blessed you with! You were simply the best mother and wife your love for your husband shined through your beautiful eyes! You are with our Heavenly Father the one that loves us more than anyone! We will meet again in Heaven my friend where there are no goodbyes! My prayers are with your beautiful family! Praising The Lord for his promise of everlasting life! I love you Andi!

Diana Lockner - October 17, 2019 at 06:53 PM

YC

“ Your favorite 101 class purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Andrea "Andi" Marie Hovatter.



Your favorite 101 class - October 17, 2019 at 05:11 PM

 Heather Clary

“ Andrea was my baby sister. From her birth, I was and am very protective of her. I hated that I couldn't protect her from the disease she fought for the last 5 years. We were best friends. She was the only one who could make me laugh until I cried. I taught her how to walk and talk, yet I'm the quieter one. She gave so much love and care to everyone she encountered. She chose gifts that were meaningful and bought at a locally owned shop whenever possible to support local businesses. She loved God and Jesus and knew without a doubt where she was going to heaven but she was afraid of leaving her children behind because only she could protect them as their mother. She loved her nephews and helped me raise them as I was a single mom spending every moment she could with them. We were beach buddies and we took her boys and my youngest son on a short vacation every summer. The summer of 2017 would be the last for the beach and vacation as she just grew too I'll to travel as of late. We spent days and days in Chicago for surgeries, chemo, etc and I will always treasure that time as her caregiver as it brought us even more close if that were even possible. So for now, I will say see ya later my Brown Eyed Girl. I love you and miss you terribly. Rest easy and pain free. nill be watching for the signs.



Heather Clary - October 17, 2019 at 04:37 PM



I'm so sorry to hear this.. you were an amazing sister and she loved you very much. I will keep you and your family in my prayers

Michele Yanok - October 17, 2019 at 11:41 PM



Thank you Michelle ❤️

Heather Clary - October 18, 2019 at 11:51 AM

TL

“ Only 1 conversation about the cancer we both had made us friends. I wish I could go back in time. We would have gone for that lunch. I would have cooked you a meal for your family. Everyone had that covered for you. But I would have done something for you. Thank you for being you and helping me . RIP my friend rip



Tammy legates - October 16, 2019 at 08:46 PM

CK

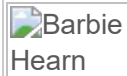
“ I had the pleasure of knowing Andrea through church and as the kindergarten teacher for her 2 precious sons. Andrea was always easy to talk to, always had a sense of humor, and was always real. I'm thankful that we got to chat at the end of August. I'll be in prayer for her loving family that they know God is with them and will always be with them.

Cindy Knight - October 16, 2019 at 07:02 PM

EA

“ Many many memories with Andi and my daughter Melissa Mancia. She always has a smile may God watch over her family. Love Edna Adrion

edna Adrion - October 16, 2019 at 05:03 PM



Barbie Hearn

“Andrea was has been my rock this past year as my other battles this same horrible disease. No matter how bad she was feeling, she reached out if I hadn't reached out to her. She answered questions that I had when I was confused or scared to ask his Dr.'s. She was an inspiration to Eddie and myself with her strong will to fight. My sincere condolences to to her husband, children and family. I have no doubt she will be part of Eddie's welcoming party. You are pain free now my friend. You have served your purpose here.

Barbie Hearn - October 16, 2019 at 01:59 PM



“Sheila Rivera lit a candle in memory of Andrea "Andi" Marie Hovatter



Sheila Rivera - October 16, 2019 at 01:48 PM



“Share a memory.... Andi, we have so so many. From the time you met Kevin and the times we shared before and after. Arguing for shotgun in the car. Singing to the top of our lungs without a care in the world. Laughing until we cried. Cheering. Using sunscreen as lotion to mask odors (Haha). El caminos. Random chats through the years about our boys, life and everything in between. You, coming to my work surprising me with the best gift in the world... you. There are countless conversations, memories, moments. You, were, are and will always be my girl. 26 years of friendship, love, moments pure and real. I love you, my sweet, dear Andi. We always had each other. You're forever in my heart. You are my best friend.

Ryan Stevens - October 16, 2019 at 12:18 PM

TC

RIP Andi, god has a bigger plan for you may his hands remove all your pain and worries.

Thelen and Herb Cook - October 16, 2019 at 03:58 PM


Heather
Clary

Ryan..... Y'all were a trip and I loved her telling your stories. They had me in tears of laughter!

Heather Clary - October 16, 2019 at 05:36 PM


Corey
Dean

I met Andi when we were kids at 4-H Camp at The Rocks. She had a contagious smile and laugh that forced everyone around her to cheer up. She had such a sweet soul and infectious spirit. We've not talked in years, except through Facebook, but my heart hurts for her family because the world lost an amazing person.

Corey Dean - October 17, 2019 at 08:22 AM


Heather
Clary

Thank you Corey... She treasured those memories and spoke of them every so often ❤️

Heather Clary - October 17, 2019 at 03:24 PM

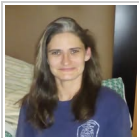
MW

“ The first time I met Andi, was at the ER if Atlantic General Hospital. I was having stomach pains and she was my nurse. This beautiful Lady came to my room with a beautiful smile. She made me feel better with the smile and cheerful mood. I thought what a great Lady. You see Andi wore a scarf on her head, though I did not know her, I figured she had Cancer. Her personality was so bubbly, I had so much respect for her.

We both worked in that ER department, different Depts. I had not met her before. Little did I know, our lives would forever be connected. My granddaughter was dating her nephew. We shared the live fir my great grandsons, which were her great nephews. Andi loved them so much.

She lived her new great neice also. Andi always told me about her boys and husband. This three were her Sunshine, her everything. She fought hard for them. Always know Kevin, B, and Nate, she lived you all so very much. She didn't want to leave you, but God needed her as a Heavenly Nurse. She will always watch over you, and walk beside you everyday. May God Bless you all.

Maggie Wilkerson - October 16, 2019 at 12:00 PM



“ Andi and I used to ride from Mardela to the old vo-tech together every morning just listening to our music and laughing and joking the whole way. I love all our time spent together. Your gonna be missed. Rest easy my friend

Anna Curtis - October 16, 2019 at 11:54 AM



Heather
Clary

“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Heather Clary - October 16, 2019 at 11:21 AM

WL

“ *I met Andrea while we both worked in the old ER at PRMC. She was going through a difficult season when we first met but I remember how she maintained a resilient spirit. She was funny and kind but could be sarcastic in her humor too. We laughed a lot. I came up from Florida to visit family and phoned her. I drove to her home and we prayed, we cried, and we laughed. Her husband and sons were her priority. She worried about them and loved them with her entire heart. She never once was concerned with herself... only them! Jesus, I pray you watch them and draw them to yourself. Comfort them and assure them Andrea is at rest in your arms Lord. And may they call upon that same rest promised here on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.*

Wendy Lecates - October 16, 2019 at 10:57 AM

 Angie
Siver

“ Angie Siver lit a candle in memory of Andrea
"Andi" Marie Hovatter



Angie Siver - October 16, 2019 at 10:22 AM