



## Mandy Jo Chitwood

February 25, 1975 - July 15, 2023

Mandy Jo Chitwood, age 48 of Bloomington, passed away Saturday evening, July 15, 2023 at her residence. She was born in Columbus, Indiana to Raymond L. Lucas, Jr. and Teresa A. Rose Lucas.

She graduated from Mooresville High School in 1993 and then received her bachelors degree in education from IUPUI and ultimately her masters degree in special education from WGU.

Mandy taught multiple grades in the Waverly elementary school before moving on to the Neil A. Armstrong elementary school where she taught elementary education and then eventually special education also at the Neil A. Armstrong Elementary school.

She thoroughly enjoyed spending her free time reading, and spending time with her family. She was passionate about her students and always looking for a way to enhance their experience. She was a two-time Hope award winner at the Neil A. Armstrong Elementary School, and truly loved all of the children she came in contact with during her teaching career.

Mandy leaves behind her husband, Winfred Chitwood, and their son, Peyton of Unionville, her brother, Raymond L. Lucas, III and his wife, Shannon Berry Lucas of Carmel, parents, Raymond L. Lucas, Jr. and Theresa Lucas of

Mooreville, niece, Alexis Baker, in-laws, Rickey Chitwood and wife Dianne Chitwood, of Bloomington, Christy (Chitwood) McKinnon, and her husband, Michael of Indianapolis, and Bonnie (Chitwood) Savage of Port Charlotte, Florida and her son Robert Richey.

Funeral services for Mandy will be held Thursday morning at 11 AM at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 S. Old State Rd. 37. Burial will follow in the Chitwood family cemetery in Unionville. Visitation will be held on Wednesday afternoon and evening from 3 PM until 8 PM, also, at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory.

Online condolences, photos, and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com).

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to one of these organizations that meant a great deal to Mandy. Your donations will honor Mandy and her help others in the process.

Make all donations "In Memory of Mandy Lucas-Chitwood".

Riley's Children's Foundation

Mandy spent a lot of time at Riley Children's hospital and like Peyton who was born there, held it near and dear to her heart.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library:

If you knew Mandy, you know she loved kids and reading in that order. Once a teacher always a teacher, Mandy dedicated her life to helping kids be their best, and a good book went a long way. When not reading to kids, she was speed reading to maximize her book count on Goodreads. Consider a gift to Dolly's foundation to give books to kids in Indiana and around the world.

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation:

Mandy battled Crohn's for many years, never complaining but always wishing there was a cure. She would be honored to have donations sent to this organization in her Memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Chitwood Cemetery

State Road 45  
Unionville, IN 47408

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 19. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Funeral Service

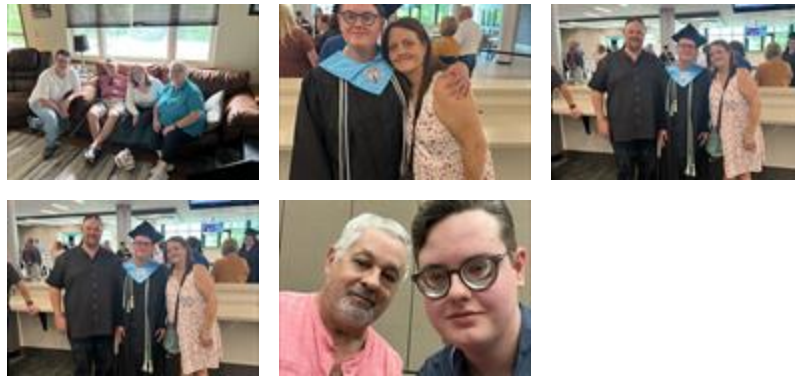
JUL 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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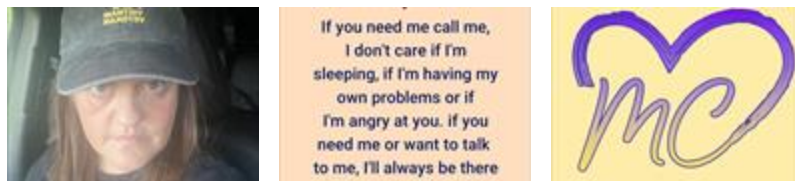
“ Just some pics we lived of her and family



Ray Lucas Jr - July 22, 2023 at 12:56 PM

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“ 3 files added to the album Mandy



Ray Lucas - July 21, 2023 at 04:40 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



July 19, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



July 18, 2023 at 10:30 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mandy Jo Chitwood.

July 18, 2023 at 10:30 PM



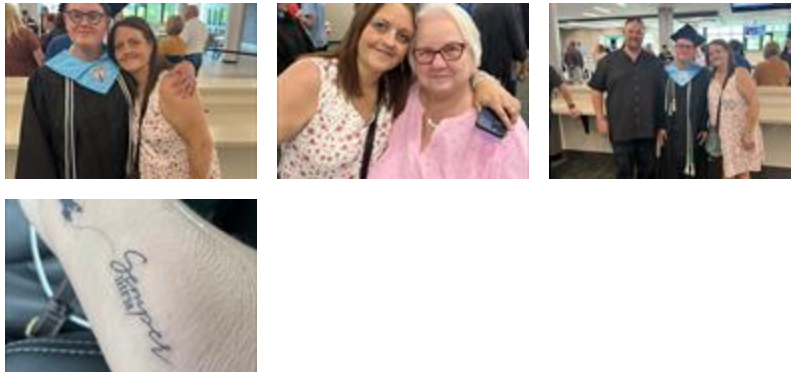
“ A memory of Mandy at Peyton's graduation!



Theresa Lucas - July 18, 2023 at 08:55 PM



“ Some pics of my sweet girl-she's resting and not in pain anymore



Ray Lucas Jr - July 18, 2023 at 08:55 PM



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July 18, 2023 at 08:10 PM



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July 18, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ You are and will always be a beautiful bright light shining on a world that needs your joy and love to carry on. We've sent you two trees to carry on for you. Though you are no longer here in body we celebrate you because you're present with the Lord. Barbara Smallwood

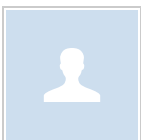


**Barbara Smallwood** - July 18, 2023 at 02:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mandy Jo Chitwood.

July 18, 2023 at 02:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mandy Jo Chitwood.

July 18, 2023 at 02:48 PM

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“ My condolences to Mandy's family. I worked with Mandy, aka "Chitwood" for two years and her friendship was a true blessing to me. She knew all the ropes and supported me in educating my classroom of students. She was a second mother and confidant to many children (even ones that were not on her case load). Mandy is irreplaceable and will truly be missed.

All my prayers,  
Lisa Leger

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Lisa Leger - July 18, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



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July 18, 2023 at 01:10 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



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July 18, 2023 at 11:30 AM



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July 18, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 18, 2023 at 09:52 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Mandy. I got to work with her several years ago at Waverley. I enjoyed every minute of it. So happy she had a successful teaching career. Her smile , sense of humor and overall personality made working with her a real joy. I remember how happy she was when Peyton was born. I wasn't surprised to hear she started teaching special education. She had the heart for it. She will be sorely missed, but fondly remembered. We will keep the family in our prayers, Don and Judy Beck*

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**Don Beck** - July 18, 2023 at 09:09 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 17, 2023 at 11:59 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 17, 2023 at 07:56 PM



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“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 17, 2023 at 07:05 PM



“ *I'm incredibly sorry we never met. Winnie, I'm so sorry for your loss. Reach out if you need. Condolences to everyone. Bradley Robinson and family.*

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**Bradley Robinson** - July 17, 2023 at 05:28 PM



“ Sympathy Gift Vintage Wind Chime - "I Have You In My Heart" was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



July 17, 2023 at 04:56 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



July 17, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



July 17, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.



July 17, 2023 at 03:21 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 17, 2023 at 02:58 PM



“ *Mandy Jo  
We Love You and forever in our hearts  
Your Uncle Bob and Aunt Kim Lucas*



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**Bob Lucas** - July 17, 2023 at 02:41 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 17, 2023 at 02:35 PM



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“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mandy Jo Chitwood.*



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July 17, 2023 at 01:57 PM



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**Christy Mckinnon** - July 17, 2023 at 12:53 PM