



## Monica Sue Mendez

August 31, 1996 - August 29, 2018

Mendez, Monica Sue  
Saginaw, Michigan

Monica passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, August 29, 2018, just two days from her 22nd birthday. Monica was born on August 31, 1996, in Waco, Texas. She is survived by her mother, Amanda Hodgins; father, Daniel Mendez; brother, Micheal Mendez; grandparents, Kimberly Sauve, Edward and Debra Hodgins; great-grandmother, Patricia Nevarez; aunts and uncles, Amber Hodgins and Kyle Hodgins; great-aunt, Tammy Maynard; niece, Elizabeth Pyman; cousins, Stay Weiss and Scott Hall; also several extended family and many dear friends, Zac Belwood, Olivia Gallardo, Misty Lynn Winters, and Kyle Jaksa.

She was predeceased by her grandfather, Jon Sauve and great-uncle, Jake Maynard.

Monica had worked as a waitress but her passion was being an artist. She was one of the most kind and best souls to walk this Earth. She was loved and cherished by so many. In these rash times that we live in, it is a disservice for us to lose someone so young and deserving. On the eve of her twenty second birthday selflessly asked not for gifts but to raise money for the ASPCA .She was and will always be loved by all of us and to quote Nick

Drake a favored artist of hers, "Time has told me you're a rare, rare find; a troubled cure for a troubled mind".

Monica's memorial gathering will be held Monday, September 10, 2018, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Wakeman Funeral Home, 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw. Cremation will follow. Those wishing to make a donation in memory of Monica are asked to consider Monica's GoFundMe account or provide your contribution at the funeral home. If ever you'd like to contribute to her legacy, any local music or art charities are causes she would smile down upon always. Memories and sympathies of Monica may be shared with the family on her memorial website at [WakemanFuneralHome.com](http://WakemanFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

SEP **10**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Monica Sue Mendez*

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September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Monica Sue Mendez*

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September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Codi Thomas lit a candle in memory of  
Monica Sue Mendez*



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**Codi Thomas** - December 27, 2019 at 06:44 PM

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“ I went to school with Monica back in Zilwaukee International Study School. She was, to me, like a sister. She had a bigger heart than I did. I have a lot of memories with her. She was the kind of woman, if you needed a shoulder to cry on, she offered hers. She was funny. She had talent. She was brave. She was kind. She was always a positive influence in my heart and everyone else's. This is a late post because I just found this out. I have been gone for a while. Once I found this out. I broke down and grieved for weeks. Now I have the strength to post how I feel and spread my condolences to all those out there who know Monica and were impacted by this. Know that I am going through what you all are going through. I ask you all to be strong and take this one day at a time. Monica wouldn't want to see you fall. She would want you to keep getting up and move forward. Be strong my friends. She will always be in our hearts and memories. Use those as a motivator to move forward and stay strong. If any of you need a shoulder to cry on or someone to talk to, here's my number: (616)-251-4016. My name is Codi Thomas. Feel free to call. I know what you all are going through and grieve along with you all. Just be strong and take it a step at a time, my friends. It's what Monica would want. You all have my prayers. Be strong.

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**Codi Thomas** - December 27, 2019 at 05:39 PM



“ My daughter was the sweetest best kid in the world... I'm truly a heartbroken woman that will never forget her beautiful soul... thank you to everyone that helped me through this time .. I cry every day... and this will never go away .. I love you Monica sue mendez just wish I could hug her one more time....

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**Amanda Waters** - November 18, 2018 at 11:48 AM

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“ I only ever met Monica once, but I thought she was the coolest. I swear that everyone knew her, all for positive things. I loved her Instagram posts - she always looked so beautiful. Keeping her family and friends in my thoughts.

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**Liv** - September 13, 2018 at 07:14 PM

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“ I worked with Monica at Subway. While working we would talk about all kinds of stuff. She was always happy and nice to everyone and I swear she is the sweetest girl ever. She will forever live in my heart. My condolences to her family.

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**Bree Byu** - September 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ My condolences to Monicas family. She was always a sweet girl and I am blessed to have known her.  
Sandra Cortez Diaz



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**Sandra Cortez Diaz** - September 10, 2018 at 11:59 AM

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**Isabell venegas** - September 09, 2018 at 09:08 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Monica Sue Mendez.*



September 08, 2018 at 06:13 PM



“ *I knew Monica as a regular customer at Hollywood where she worked. She always had a bright smile on her face and I looked forward to guessing her hair color and talking to her every time I went in that store. She probably never knew I still thought about her. Heartbreaking. Never give up. RIP lovely Monica.*

**Colin Taylor** - September 07, 2018 at 09:56 PM



“ *Love Tia Cynthia purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Monica Sue Mendez.*



**Love Tia Cynthia** - September 07, 2018 at 07:27 PM



“ *Tia Chele purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Monica Sue Mendez.*



**Tia Chele** - September 07, 2018 at 04:15 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Monica Sue Mendez.*



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September 07, 2018 at 11:34 AM



“ *Donna Boers lit a candle in memory of Monica Sue Mendez*



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**Donna Boers** - September 07, 2018 at 10:37 AM



“ *Samantha Boers lit a candle in memory of Monica Sue Mendez*



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**Samantha Boers** - September 06, 2018 at 11:37 PM



“ *Tammy Maynard lit a candle in memory of Monica Sue Mendez*



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**Tammy Maynard** - September 06, 2018 at 07:55 PM