



## Laura J. (Bickel) Allgire

March 13, 1980 - July 28, 2025

With deep love and heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Laura J. (Bickel) Allgire, age 45, of Marion, Indiana, who died on July 28, 2025, after a long and courageous battle with frontotemporal dementia.

Born and raised in Marion Indiana, Laura graduated from Marion High School in 1998 and went on to earn associate degrees from Indiana Business College in 2002 and Ivy Tech Community College in 2019.

Throughout her life, Laura dedicated herself to serving others—working in both tax preparation and hospitality—always offering a kind word, a listening ear, and a steady presence to everyone she encountered.

Laura was a gentle soul with a heart for helping. Though naturally quiet, she had a thoughtful sense of humor and deeply valued the small, meaningful connections she made with others. She was a proud member of the Marion Church of the Brethren, where she found strength in her faith and peace in the truth that she would one day be reunited with her loved ones in Heaven.

She loved Disney movies, computer games, and her pet cat Lakeasha—but above all, Laura cherished her role as an aunt. Time spent with her nephew James brought her tremendous joy, and she embraced every moment with love and pride.

Laura is survived by her mother Donna Bickel; brother David (Jennifer) Bickel; and nephew, James. She is also survived by four aunts: Bonnie Roberts, Carol McDaniel, Kathy Nichols, and Sharleen (Jim) Sweeney, eight cousins, and eight bonus nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Larry W. Bickel; maternal grandparents Charlie and Rose Miller; paternal grandparents John and Helen Bickel; two uncles: Kenny Roberts and Jim McDaniel; and a close companion, Jeremy Vargo, whose memory remained dear to her heart.

Though her time with us was far too short, Laura's legacy lives on in the kindness she shared, the lives she touched, and the quiet strength with which she carried herself. She will be remembered always for her compassion, her gentle humor, and the enduring love she gave so freely.

A celebration of life open house will be held on August 23, 2025 at the Church of the Brethren in Marion, IN.

In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations to be made in Laura's memory to the Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration (AFTD) to support continued research, advocacy, and care for those facing this devastating illness.

Laura will be deeply missed and forever loved. May her memory be a blessing and her gentle spirit live on in all who knew her.

# Tribute Wall

PK

“ All our love and wishes for comfort to the Bickel family. Donna you are and always have been an angel. We have such love and good memories of you and Larry and the entire Bickel family. Our sincere sympathy.

Patti Kindler - August 04, 2025 at 10:04 AM

LM

So sorry to hear about your loss Donna. Just know uncle Howard and aunt Rosie will be there to greet her. Know it's been a long time that we have not seen each other but cousin I have had you on my mind alot. Wished that I could of come to the miller reunions but I have ever lived in Florida forover 40 years. My heart will be with you tomorrow.

Linda Morris - August 22, 2025 at 12:38 PM



“ Laura was the best roommate I had in my 7 years at Beaumont rehabilitation and healthcare! She always woke up with a smile! I hated leaving her at Beaumont to come to cardinal care strategies in Muncie she will be deeply missed by me! When I found out she had passed on it broke my heart! I love you Laura! You were the best! Rip Hun! Cheryl beckett

Cheryl Beckett - August 03, 2025 at 08:30 PM



I'm so sorry for your loss Miss Donna!

Cheryl Beckett - August 03, 2025 at 08:33 PM



*Since I came to Muncie I called Beaumont at least once a day to check on Laura! I bawled like a baby when they told me she passed on! She was a great friend!*

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**Cheryl Beckett** - August 03, 2025 at 08:36 PM



*I hope and pray I can make it to her funeral! I will talk to my social workers and Beaumont social workers to get me there! I'd really love to bring her the roses I promised her!*

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**Cheryl Beckett** - August 03, 2025 at 08:39 PM

DG

*“ Larry was my best friend in Andrews. Spent lots of time on his dad's farm with his sister Kathy growing up. I'm so sorry about Laura I only met her once when I visited Larry shortly after his accident. My sincere sympathies Donna and David, Kathy, Sharleen and to all who loved and to those she loved. Duane and Audrey Glass, Los Lunas New Mexico*

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**Duane and Audrey Glass** - August 02, 2025 at 11:11 AM