



## Jodie McNeil Gooch Obituary

March 26, 2013

Jodie McNeil Gooch, 54, of Albany, died Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital.

Her funeral service will be at 10 AM Friday, March 29, 2013 at the graveside at Crown Hill Cemetery. The Rev. Leigh Ann Raynor will officiate.

Jodie was born at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in Albany and attended schools in Albany. She graduated from Albany High School in the class of 1976. Jodie was a member of Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church. She worked for many years at Security Bank. Jodie appreciated music and enjoyed volunteering at The Allman Brothers Band Museum at The Big House in Macon, GA.

Jodie is survived by her daughter: Ivy Gooch, Statesboro, GA; her mother: Joanne Gauntt, Albany, her brother: Lon McNeil, Gainesville, FL; Ivy's father: Theo Gooch, Albany.

The family will receive friends at Kimbrell-Stern on Thursday from 5-7 PM. Those desiring may send memorial contributions to The Big House Foundation, P.O. Box 4291, Macon, GA 31208, or to Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church, 2200 Dawson Rd., Albany, GA 31707.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors  
1503 Dawson Rd.  
Albany, GA 31707

## Graveside Service

MAR 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

Crown Hill Cemetery  
1907 Dawson Rd.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jodie McNeil Gooch Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Jodie McNeil Gooch Obituary*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Ivy, I am so sorry to learn of your mother's passing. You and my daughter, Emily danced together at Pritchett's studio and your mom was the first person I ever trusted enough to carpool! Jodie was always sweet, gentle and kind. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.*

**Patti Pannell Christian - Cape Coral, FL - friend** - April 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I have just found out about the passing of Jodie today. I am so very sorry for the loss of such a wonderful mother, daughter and wife. Ivy...you were her life and she loved you so much. I know because I witnessed the love during our three years in Albany. I assure you that time does heal the loss but know that Savannah and I will be here for you when you need to talk. She was one of the sweetest people I met when we lived in Albany. You and Savannah have grown up on us but I will never forget the hospitality she extended to the Blanchard family. We understand you loss because we have been there! Please know that the Lord is the only thing that will bring you any comfort and know that HE will guide you and give you strength. Sweetie...stay focused as you can and remember that you Mom wants you to get your education. I know that life seems unbearable right now...but just keep praying and knowing that Mom is at peace now. Please hug your sweet Grandmother and Dad. Prayers are with you!

*Susan Blanchard-Jacksonville, Florida*

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**Susan Blanchard - Jacksonville, FL - friend** - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ The pain is deep. We need your prayers. Her daughter, Ivy, a sophmore at college needs HIS comfort, strenght and hope for the days ahead.

*Thank you.*

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**Joanne Gauntt - Mother** - March 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Jodi and my sister grew up together and graduated together. I lost my sister 9 years ago to that deamon, "cancer". I know Mardee, my sister, and Jodi are rejoycing together in heaven and will be missed by all those left behind. RIP Jodi; you are loved.

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**Jonnie Owens - Albany, GA - friend** - March 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Jodie's family and friends!*

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**Jane Joiner - Albany, GA** - March 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *I would like to express my deepest regrets at Jodie's passing. Theo I am truly sorry for you and the family.*

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**Mel Jones - Albany , GA - Life long friend of Theo** - March 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EG

“ *My deepest sympathy to Jodie's family. We had fun, enjoyed life, loved music, and danced together. What a smile, always smiling. I will miss her. I am glad she was born.*

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**Ellen Haygood - Jackson, GA - Girlfriends** - March 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Words are hard to come by at a time like this. I have known Jodie since 2nd grade and we have remained friends all these years, even with a long absence. Reconnecting has been amazing and this loss is shocking and devastating. She was such a beautiful being, inside & out, not a bad word for anyone, only smiles and warm greetings. We had many good times together over all these years, but I guess we all feel cheated now, because there will be no more here.*

*Mrs. "McNeil", Lon, Theo, Ivy, I don't feel I can send enough prayers, condolences and love...this loss is just that big. But I will keep you all in my prayers for a long time. I so wish I could be there to say farewell, with all of you. God Bless and Keep you and forever comfort you in the knowledge we will all be together again, someday.*

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**Carol Oglesby Willis - Newburgh, NY - Friend & classmate** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ I still can't believe you're actually gone.....you left us way too soon! My heart goes out to all of Jodie's family and friends! Many, many thoughts and prayers.Such a loss to us here on earth to have Jodie gone, but I know the Heavens have opened up their gates for her, they did indeed receive an angel!

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**Claudia McDonald - OK** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ I only knew Jodie ( Jodie Girl ) for maybe 5 years thru music and Macon. Instantly I felt a wrap of warmth around me, jus in her smile. When I went missing for a while ( open heart surgery) My brother Sammy said " O Jodie Girl ask if i have seen ya. Then I KNEW that that LADY has a HEART. She knows what LOVE is, she is areal person. In this day of what it is, Jodie Girl IS and WAS LOVE. I WILL NEVER forget her, Thank you GOD for letting SHE and i cross paths.She IS with GOD ! I FEEL IT ! Thank you GOD, Thank you Jodie, for making my life and this world a Better Place because of our Friendship ! Bro Glenn

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**Glenn Clary - Macon, GA - Friends** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ I will always remember Jodie's warm smile and friendly personality. She was such a kind person and so beautiful inside and out! I last saw her at the Debutante Ball with her lovely daughter Ivy. I really wished I had spent more time catching up with her but the night just got away from me. I was so sure that I would see her again. I remember walking with her around Lake Loretta when our daughters were both young. She had such a positive outlook and a sunny disposition which stands out most in my mind! I will miss seeing her smile when I would occasionally bump into her around town. I am so very sorry for your loss! I hope that God will surround you with comfort and that you will find Peace one day. I know that I will always see Jodie's smiling face whenever I see Ivy. I will continue to lift you all up in my prayers as you face these most difficult days.

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**Patti Shellhaas - Albany, GA - Friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ There is no way that I can express my sorrow for the passing of Jodie. She was one of the most beautiful people I have ever known and had such a sweet loving spirit. My prayers are with you. Love & Prayers, Wanda

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**Wanda Proctor - Albany, GA - Friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Jodie's family and loved ones.

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**Jody Daddio - East Brunswick, NJ** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ My prayers are with all of you during this time of grief. Lean on Jesus each day.

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**Charlie Gooch - Hobart, IN - Friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ I have known Jodie since we were young girls. She was always the same genuine sweet person who always had a kind word & smile to share with everyone. At the bank her customers loved her friendliness & she would always lend a helping hand to her co-workers. She will truly be missed, but I know that she is with our Lord now. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa

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**Lisa Mitchell Wright - Albany, GA - Friend and co-worker - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

L1

“ Joanne, so, so sorry to read about Jody. I haven't seen her in many years but remember her when we used to go to St Pete when all the children were so young. I know you will be better as time goes by but remember we love you and will keep you in our prayers. Tell Lonnie we really are so sorry .  
Love to you, Lucy and Ron

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**Lucy and Ron Collins - Blakely, GA - Family Friends since the 1960's - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

KF

“ Although I had not seen Jodie or spoken with her in a number of years, she will always occupy the spot of one of my oldest friends. We met when we were about 8 years old and shared a lot of life together during our younger days. I spent at least as much time at her house growing up as I did my own. In reading through these messages it is clear she was loved and cherished by many people. I will be praying for her family and loved ones that the Lord will provide you with the peace that passes all understanding. All our hearts are heavy with this loss but we know we will see Jodie again and will rejoice with one another in the arms of our heavenly Father. Mrs. Joanne - I love you and am holding you in my heart and prayers continually.

love, Kaye Stratford Stafford

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**Kaye Stratford Stafford - Roswell, GA - Childhood friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ You are all in my thoughts, prayers, and love. Ann Peacock Voss

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**Ann Peacock Voss - Albany, GA - friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ My husband, Duane, and I met and talked with Jodie at numerous music events here in Macon. She will not be forgotten. The entire family is in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Laura Jane Kuncaitis - Macon, GA - Friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ WHY?

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**R.Madison Smith - Barnesville, GA - Friend** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Jodie's passing. She was such a wonderful person. I worked with her for years and she was always so pleasant and wonderful to be around. My thoughts and prayers go to her daughter and the rest of the family.

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**Rachel Collins Hamill** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ I met Jodie at a "Girl's Night Out" with several mutual friends. Though I did not know her well I could see what a vibrant person Jodie really was. She truly lived life to the fullest. I am profoundly saddened to hear of a life lost far too soon. My deepest sympathy to all of her family and her friends. This was very sad news.

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**Betty Rehberg - Albany, GA** - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I am so truly saddened by your loss and hope God holds you close while you grieve. Jodie was a kind and warm spirit, who lit up a room with her smile. She was like sunshine. I always find it hardest to grieve a deeply good and kind and just person like Jodie because while I know she is in a better place I also know the world will be less without her. RIP

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**Caroline Dorrough Sanford - Waycross, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WK

“ the road goes on forever...will see you again, sweet sister.

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**Wendy Ivey - Florence, KY** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Jodie, I will miss seeing your warm smile and beautiful presence at all the musical events that I know you would have been at with me, especially Wane. Hope there are some great concerts up in heaven and I will join you there one day I hope.

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**Barb Hilke - Atlanta, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Prayers for the family,... sadden by the news... Such a beautiful person, always had a smile!! Theo and Ivy remember the great times!!

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**Larry McLeod - Albany, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Jodie you never Met a Stranger as You greeted all with your Beautiful Smile :)  
You show everyone the Love of Jesus !  
I Rejoice as I know you are with the Savior and Dancing & Praising His Name! Jodie we all love you!

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**Pastor Owen Ward Sr. - Cocoa Beach, FL - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Jodie was an amazingly loyal and kind friend to me, and her spirit continues to be. It's incredible to reflect on how consistently positive a person she was.

One thing: the Big House, a place she loved so dearly, is actually PO Box 4291, not Box 291, as listed in the obituary. I know she would want this correction made.

I love you Jodie:)

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**EJ Devokaitis - Macon, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Jodie was a beautiful woman who lit up a room the moment she walked into it....she will be missed by all who knew her...my heartfelt sympathy to her entire family...Ivy you were the light of her life may her memory bring you comfort always

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**lindy herrmann - lake ariel, PA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Jodie was a shining star to all who knew her. This leaves a very big void in our lives.

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**Lee Williams - Fuquay Varina, NC - school friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ With prayers and good thoughts in loving memory

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**Rich Okun - Bethany, CT - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Shine on forever beautiful Jody.

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**Susan Torbush - Covington, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Deepest sympathy & prayers in the loss of Jodie. We've known her from the bank for many years - never saw her without a smile on her face ...

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**Shelia and Don Knight - Albany , GA** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ So sorry for your loss

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**Demon O'Brien - Macon, GA - acquaintance** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Was saddened to hear the news...Theo my prayers go out to you and family..Jodie will be missed...Knew you and Jodie for along time....

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**Curtis Gilpin - Albany, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ My deepest sympathies to Joanne Gauntt,Lon McNeil,Ivy and Theo Gooch..May our Lord Jesus Christ comfort you from this heavy burden.

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**William D. Kearce - Indianapolis, IN - Long time friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Theo and family, we were so saddened to learn of Jodie's passing. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Terrell and Yvonda Mann - Sylvester, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Jodie's sweet daughter and family. We've known Jody for several years. We have shared many joyous moments at concerts with her, she has been in our home, and Terry and Jodie are fellow GABBA Board members. There are no words to describe our shock and sadness. Jodie will be remembered fondly by so many. Fly on and let your love light shine.

*With sympathy and love,*

*Terry and Doug*

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**Terry Reeves & Doug Martin - Grayson, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *What a beautiful person with a very contagious smile. I had the privilege of knowing and working with Jodie. To her family: may your Christian faith & special memories of Jodie sustain you during this time. Kindly, Deb B*

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**Debbie Blanchard - Albany, GA - Former Co-worker** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *We met Jodie several years ago, albeit electronically, sharing a mutual love for music and life. She was fast with a kind word and had a spark that made you laugh, even thru tears. Jodie remains in our hearts forever young.*

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**the McDonald Family - Punta Goirda , FL - Friends** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Whenever someone passes away, I take comfort in this... the promise of eternal life with our departed loved ones becomes the gift of hope. We will all be reunited again, one day, in our heavenly home. Jodie could light up any room with her beautiful, warm smile. People gravitated toward her. She will be missed by so many, yet I feel her soul will continue to shine brightly & her presence will be felt. To Jodie's family, especially Ivy, because I know the grief you experience when you lose your best friend, your mother... I extend my deepest sympathy, love & heartfelt prayers.*

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**Alice L. Babb - Dawsonville (home town of Macon), GA - "GABBA sister"** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Mrs. Gooch always had a smile for you. She and Mr. Gooch meant a lot to my Mom and Dad. May God give you the peace and comfort that only he can give. Pam and I will be praying for each of you.  
sjpef

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**Donnie Barthelemy, Sr. - Leesburg, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ You were always kind to me and I admire you love for life and music. You will be missed by all. Thoughts and prayers go out to the family

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**Lisa - GA** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Words fail at times like this, but I just wanted to say I will miss you Jodie and that I am so glad that the last 6 or 8 months we had a chance to get much closer. There will always be a void in this world for so many of us now that you are gone. Ivy and precious family, may God surround you with his Peace and Comfort that only he can give. You will be in my constant prayers.  
Until we meet again in Heaven I will always think of you when I hear certain songs and when I hug my "babies". : )

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**Marci Fordham - Wrightsville, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Jodie Girl you will be missed by many, but your light will shine from heaven. You always had a smile for everyone and that is a rare quality.  
Fly on Jodie and give Red Dog a Birthday kiss!

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**Patricia Atkinson - Woodstock, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ There are many ways to meet and connect with people and Jodie did that better than most. She will be missed by many and my deepest condolences to all but most especially her immediate family and closest friends.

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**Phil Peters** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ Jodie...Our connection thru shared musical interests will never be forgotten but always missed. I will miss our side conversations....I am sure it didn't take long for peace to find such a kind person.  
Respect, G

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**misterG** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Such a loss to this world...you were a soul siesta that appreciated the good things life can offer...I loved how you grabbed life by the tail & took it for a ride! My heart is breaking for Ivy's loss most of all...with your untimely crossing over, you once again give....reminding us all to appreciate life & chase our dreams, for if we wait, we may never know...miss you...

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**Teresa Mandich - Champaign, IL - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Jodie, our mutual interest in great live music drew us together many times over the last few years. I'm glad you stepped up to assist GABBA as a board member, and you helped make it a better organization. GABBAfest will be bittersweet this year as we will share fond remembrances of you and the times we spent with you soaking up the music and vibes. You were a joy to be around, always energetic and positive. I'm glad to have known you and will miss you. To Jodie's family and friends, I extend my sincerest condolences at our loss. God bless us all.

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**Dave Pierson - Evans, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Rest in peace Jodie. You will be greatly missed. Jodie had the heart of gold. She was always willing to help everyone. She is definitely an addition to the angels in Heaven. We will be praying for the family during this time.

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**Mandy Moore - LEESBURG, GA - Friend/Co-worker** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ My deepest sympathies to Jodie's friends and family. I had the honor of meeting Jodie in Macon at a Gabba meeting and I was blown away with her ability to make me feel like family having only just met me, She was and will always be a guiding light. R.I.P My dear angel. I will never forget

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**Kris Behof - chicago, IL - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Some How The Stars are A Little bit Brighter Tonight and I Know That its Because Gods Got A New Angel She Brought A Bright Light To everyone she knew and A Wonderful Free Spirit To This World We all Go out through life and rarely do we Find anyone with the Great Spirit That Jodie Carried We Grew up and Played on the same streets and allys in our little Hood as Jodie Called it in later years I've Been Blessed To Have Know This Shinning Light For A Long Time You are Loved and will be Missed By So Many Jodie Girl A Friend To All  
To All The Family and Friends My Prayers are With You all*

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**Kevin Higgs - Leesburg , GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *A bright light, a beautiful smile and a wonderfully kindred spirit. From the journeys we shared from the ABB, Wane, Macon. While the Sun may have not shined as bright yesterday with such Sad news, its obvious to all who knew you Jody, that there is a Bright Star in tonights sky. You will be missed. Thoughts and Prayers to your family and all in the Brother and Sisterhood. May God Bless You*

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**Brian Cavanaugh - Amherst, MA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Jodie, one of the reasons I moved back to this town was because of the friendships new and rekindled through Facebook. You were a major one of those. I will remember all our "Ladies Nights" and the great fun we had. Music was your center and your are home now. I will see you again when I am called home...Love Martha*

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**Martha Palmer McCorvey - Albany, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Jodie was a sister in spirit to many, a friend, and a shining light the most enthusiastic volunteer to ever work at The Allman Brothers Band Museum at The Big House in Macon, Georgia. She was one of a kind, full of positive energy and upbeat spirit. Everyone's comments about Jodie are consistent in that she loved people, cared about them and now there's no doubt she is showing the angels in heaven a new flight pattern in no particular direction, follow good music and to always maintain smiling faces. With Special Thoughts and prayers for Ivy, Theo and Family.

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**John Charles Griffin - Macon, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ My deepest sympathies to Jodie's entire family and close friends. I had the pleasure of knowing her in her element and she was so sweet and kind. I will remember her beautiful smile, her love of music and her kind heart. God bless.

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**Ken Dick - Burlington ON - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I met Jodie on facebook, through our mutual love of music. She was a beacon of light, that never failed to lift my spirits. She will live on in my heart. Her family, and friends are all in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Sherry C. Shaver - Conyers, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I will never forg't your bubbly, carefree and loving disposition...Rest In Peace Jodie Girl...

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**Sparky Carter - Mount Pleasant, SC - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ R.I.P my beautiful friend. You have left us way to soon. You will be greatly missed by so many.

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**Robyn Dennison - Forsyth, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ jodie girl you will truly be missed! from all of our escapades in high school you have always been a beam of light. sail on freebird to a better concert.

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**Connie Lundy - albany, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Jodie, you will be dearly missed. You will always be in our hearts and prayers. Rest in peace sweet friend. Love always, Donna

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**Donna Campbell Prior - Albany, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ My heart is broken with the loss of one of my closest friends. Jodie had such a bright white light that radiated from her. She lit up a room with her smile. She lived the life she loved and loved the life she lived. The moon is shining extra bright tonight, March 26, and I can't help but believe it's our Jodie girl looking down and telling us that she is okay and we will be too.

*My prayers to her mom, her brother, Jeff and her sweet sweet Ivy. Rock on Jodie. You've got the best seat in the house. Love you to the moon and back.*

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**Denise Watson - Leesburg, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Sweet sweet Jodie..... I'll miss your encouraging words and our Facebook chats. My wife and I only knew you for about 2 years but you were a joy and a blessing. I sat and read all our Facebook chats tonight..... so bittersweet.....My heartfelt condolences to those closest to you..... my wife and I feel such a loss, I can not imagine their void..... "Sail On....."

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**Pat Liston - St. Louis, MO - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Jodie, We've been Friends since we were little kids and Lon and I were pelting you with dirt clods....Words cannot express my sorrow. I'll SORELY MISS You DEAR Friend but I know that You're OK....I'll try to contact Ivy and tell her how my beloved Dad saved my Sons life twice after He passed....so She'll KNOW that You're OK and that She WILL see you again someday. The Road goes on FOREVER DEAR Friend.....as You're witnessing right now, but that doesn't make it easier on all of us that will MISS you, but until then, GODSPEED Jodie....I'll see you again someday. I LOVE YOU, DEAR DEAR PRECIOUS Friend.

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**Chuck Persall - Albany, GA - old Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Theo & Family..... Sweet Ivey.. May you find comfort in our Lord Jesus... {you WILL be missed Jodie Girl!!!}  
always.  
Kim Westmoreland Tallent, Cleveland, Georgia

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**Kimberly Tallent - Cleveland, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Simple words can not say, I pray the Father in heaven comforts those of you in her family, and that we all realize..how very short life may be. We have no promises..and it feels so tough to loose such a vibrant woman at such a young age. Jodie will be missed..by all who knew you.

Phyllis Nelms - Albany, GA - Friend & school classmate - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ In my prayers

Bart Colbert - Stone Mountain, GA - friend - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Jodie, we will miss you - and your enthusiasm and bright smile - at the Big House, at concerts and at GABBA. We remember your excitement the first time we met you at Wanees several years ago, and how much you loved the music and Macon. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of Jodie's family and friends tonight.

Greg and Laraine Potter - Macon, GA - friends - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TV

“ Sail on Jodie....Rest in Peace.

Terri Stoddard - VA - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Rest in peace, sweet Jodie.

Susan & John Taylor - Gastonia, NC - Friends - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ God blessed me with the chance to meet. Watch over her and be blessed with an angel.

Marijo Smith Hatcher - Albany, GA - friend - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ God Bless you Jodie girl.....you were a wonderful person and a friend to all..may you rest in peace

Laurie Aaron - Athens, GA - friend - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ such a sweet soul and woman.so many will miss.rest now my friend.

Rusty Garner - Montgomery, AL - friend - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Jodie was a fellow music lover, free spirit and genuinely sweet person- always greeted me with a hug and hello. She was loved by many - fly on sweet friend! may the music you love always play for you - RIP Jodie. :)

Erin Denatala - Woodstock, GA - friend - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ "Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." John 14:1-4

*Rest in peace, dear Jodie.*

Wayne Hulehan - Alexandria, VA - friend - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ *In loving memory of my dear friend Jodie McNeil Gooch, whose candle lit so many lives and was extinguished much too soon. My life is so much richer by knowing her.*

*Rest in peace, dear sister. The road goes on forever. — with Jodie McNeil Gooch in Albany, GA.*

*<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i1GmxMTwUgs>*

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**Wayne Hulehan - Alexandria, VA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ *Fly on, Sweet Jodie. You will be SO missed by SO many, myself included. Your smile, your vivacious love and energy and dedication to the love of friends and music were legendary. Feeling joy for you that you are able to witness the best music jam of all now.....but sad for us whom are still earthbound. Sending love to your family and loved ones.....Rest in Peace, my friend.*

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**Nancy Putnam - Tallahassee, FL - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *May God bless the memory of Jodie. Praying for peace and understanding for her family and many friends.*

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**John Howard - Aiken, SC - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *May Jodie enjoy her front row seat, forever! You will be missed very much, Wishing that we would have had more time together. Jimmy and I will miss you and your big smile and laughter.*

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**Mary McCord - Jersey, GA - Friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ It won't ever be the same at concerts and GABBA events without you. I will treasure all the laughs and the good times we had. You had a big heart and a wonderful smile. That's how I will remember you. Love, DK

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**David Kettles - Swainsboro, GA - friend** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Was fortunate to meet Jodie at a GABBA meeting last fall. Sweet and beautiful lady who has left this earth too soon. I hope she is enjoying the best concert of all right now. Prayers and condolences to her family.

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**Robin Toppe - Indianapolis, IN - Friend and fellow ABB Fan** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Rest in Peace, Jody. Sending prayers for you and your loved ones. I'll see you in the light.

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**Judi Petty - Macon, GA** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ You were one of the coolest,, and most beautiful people I knew,, on your journey now,,  
to-hi

peace and love  
Tone

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**Anthony Wilson - Cedartown, GA - Famuley** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Bless you, Jodie, for making my life brighter. Fly on sweet Angel...

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**Mitzi Haston** - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Jodie, I'm sorry you had to leave us so soon. Your kindness and bright smile will be missed.

Leigh Ann Spence - March 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Lon, Harold and I are so saddened for your loss. We are praying for your entire family. God will wrap you all in his loving arms and give you peace. Leslie Boling

Leslie Boling - Albany, GA - Friend - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Your light will always shine and be the brightest star in the sky. I know the love you had for your family and friends will live long after your gone. I pray your family will find comfort remembering the happiness that you gave to those who crossed your path. RIP and safe travels.

Debbie McDowell Nichols - Cullman, AL - High school friend - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Jodie you left this world way to soon. You will be missed by many family and friends. But we will see you in heaven one day soon! Enjoy your ride with those beautiful wings you were just given.....rest in peace!

Bonnie Pike Payne - Sylvester, GA - School mate and friend - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I only knew Jodie through Facebook and out mutual love for the Allman Brothers Band, but I know she was a wonderful woman with an enormous heart. The road goes on forever, Jodie, and someday we'll meet on that road...

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**Craig Ruskey - Haverhill, MA - Friend** - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ Jodie embraced life to its fullest; she was a kind individual who touched the lives of many. I pray her family finds strength and peace at this difficult time.

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**Nancy Wood - Albany, GA - Friend / coworker** - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ U will be missed by many people.

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**jan dukes - albany, GA - friend** - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ All of my high school peers will agree that Jodie embodied the spirit of who we were as a whole. We collectively feel her loss. Somehow though, we all know that her spirit is already playing tunes for God. And, we all know that our Lord is embracing her soul.

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**Bo Johnson - Albany, GA - High School Friend** - March 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM