



**REMEMBERING**  
**Katie Elizabeth Sanford**  
October 13, 1987 - August 10, 2021



On the morning of August 10th, while holding her beloved husband's hand, Katie went peacefully to be with her Saviour at the Royal Columbian Hospital. The family would like to extend a sincere thanks to the entire ICU staff for taking care of Katie for her last two months. Her fight and determination was noted and respected by those who cared for her.

Katie was a loving wife to her husband James, and a dedicated mother to their precious son Ezekiel. She was the cherished daughter to her parents Dwayne and Tina Poisson of Windsor, Ontario and cherished sister to Kyle and Krystle (and Michael Bennett), all of Windsor, Ontario. She is also survived by her grandparents Lionel Poisson of Belle River, Ontario and Mathew (and Wanda) Golab of Lincoln Park, Michigan, as well as numerous cousins and relatives in the Windsor area and spread across the country.

Katie will be remembered for her love and concern for those around her. Growing up in Windsor, Ontario, she ventured out to spend a summer in Spain and studying Education at Laurentian University in Sudbury, Ontario. Katie's love for adventure continued as her and James lived in several places over their nearly 11 years of marriage. |

Her teaching career started in Muscat, Oman at al Sahwa Schools where she left an impact on the staff, students and community and where her son Ezekiel was born. Katie and James moved to the Peace River area and lived in Dawson Creek, BC, before settling in Chetwynd and a Little Prairie Elementary. Katie left a deep impact in the school community of Little Prairie teaching the primary years and as Reading Recovery Teacher. Just over two years ago, Katie, James, and Ezekiel moved to Abbotsford where Katie spent the last two years teaching at John MacLure Community School and become a part of the LifeSpring Church family. The move

also brought great joy to Katie, as she was able to see Ezekiel overcome many of his obstacles and start to thrive.

A Celebration of Katie's life will take place on Thursday, August 19th, 2021 at LifeSpring Church in Abbotsford at 1:00 pm. A gathering to celebrate her life will also occur in Windsor at a later date.

Katie always believed that each person was valuable and was determined to pull that potential out of them, whether it was one of her students, a relative or a friend. In honour of Katie's desires, an Education Fund for Ezekiel is going to be established and please consider a gift to Ezekiel's Education in lieu of flowers.

