



## Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest

November 25, 1962 - June 18, 2018

Cynthia "Jane" Vest, daughter of Kenneth Vest and Patricia Kay (Adams) Watson, was born on November 25, 1962 in Springfield, MO, and departed this life on June 18, 2018 at her home in Fordland, MO. At the time of her passing she was 55 years old.

Jane was raised in Battlefield, MO and graduated from Republic High School. She later graduated from Cox Nursing School in 1998 and went to work for Doctors Hospital before beginning her career as a Registered Nurse at Cox Hospital in 2003. Jane loved nursing and viewed her vocation as a ministry in itself. Her coworkers enjoyed her presence as well as her patients did. The love, care, and compassion she exuded for her patients was without comparison. Jane enjoyed country living, walks with her dog Buddy, riding horses, taking pictures, and mentoring adolescent girls in running and life experiences with Girls on the Run. She was an involved and active member of the Hearts Hope Chapel and loved serving in a missions trip to Honduras. Jane was preceded in death by her mother, Patricia Kay (Adams) Watson, aunt, Patsy Meadors, and uncle, Jack Freeman. She is survived by her father and step-mother, Kenneth & Judith Vest of Lebanon, MO; six siblings, Deanna Reed, Kimberly Kay Vest, Kevin Dale Vest, John Mark Bergerson, James Michael Vest, and Matthew Aaron Vest; her aunt, Wanda Freeman, and her uncle, Bob Triplett. She also leaves many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, other family members, and many friends who will all truly miss her. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at

the Cantlon Otterness & Viets Funeral Chapel with Michael Vest, Pastor Dan Raymond, and Pastor Denver Callahan officiating. Escorts will be Michael Vest, Kevin Dale Vest, Matthew Vest, John Mark Bergerson, Denis Levangie, Dantley Vest, Andy Freeman, and Rylie Vest. Music will be provided by Ryan and Danielle Shoemaker. Interment will be in the Pisgah Cemetery under the direction of the Cantlon Otterness & Viets Funeral Home of Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Saturday at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the Girls on the Run and sent to P.O. Box 14216, Springfield, MO 65814 or their website [www.gotrswmo.org](http://www.gotrswmo.org).

# Cemetery Details

## Pisgah Cemetery Long Lane

Pisgah Road  
Long Lane, MO 65590

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 23.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home - Buffalo  
931 W. Main St.  
P.O. Box 993  
Buffalo, MO 65622  
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## Service

**JUN 23.** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest*

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest*

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ *Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest*

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ *Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest*

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ *Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest*

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ *Kimberly Dampier lit a candle in memory of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest*



**Kimberly Dampier** - January 29, 2021 at 02:42 AM

VJ

“ Cynthia was a true, caring nurse and person. Will miss seeing her here at the hospital at Cox South. God rest her soul. Thought so much of her.

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**Vadena Julian** - June 27, 2018 at 12:03 PM

 William Gremming

“ I appreciated her direct and encouraging approach with me at work. Her presence online and in person will be missed. I am so so glad that she placed her trust in the Lord; above all else that is the most wonderful legacy she has left for myself and others.

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**William Gremminger** - June 24, 2018 at 11:35 AM

CS

“ A stellar nurse & beautiful soul ! I had the privilege of working with Jane for several years. She was always happy to help. She walked with a sense of pride and confidence. Her dedication, loyalty and compassion to her patients were like no other! She will truly be missed. My heart is heavy tonight for Janes family..may care and love of each other provide comfort and peace to you during this tragic loss . CS

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**Cindy Silkwood** - June 23, 2018 at 11:18 PM

SH

“ I use to work on the floor Jane was on. She was an amazing lady . Did her best for her patients and cared for them well . She loved and ministered to them . She was looking for me one day and had not known my name when I first started so she said " where is that little girl at?" Even though I am in my 30s, I am small lol. I teased her later about her nickname for me . She also held up for me when other nurses were saying untrue things about me , when I helped a patient out ; she knew who and how I was . She was a loving Christian and helped those in need . She will be greatly missed . Prayers extended for the family , friends , and coworkers .

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**Shanna** - June 23, 2018 at 01:14 PM

KW

“ I worked with Jane for five years, she was a wonderful mentor and a beautiful person both inside and out. She provided so much love and care to her patients God truly worked through her hands. She will sorely missed. Much love though you are gone from your Earthly home I rejoice in knowing you are with Our Heavenly Father.



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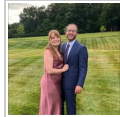
**Kim Whiteid** - June 23, 2018 at 08:59 AM



“ 10 files added to the album *Girls on the Run*



**Melissa Stallbaumer** - June 22, 2018 at 05:38 PM



*We've written a brief memorial for our dedicated and passionate volunteer. She will be so missed by all of us at Girls on the Run.*

<https://www.gotrswmo.org/News/post/remembering-coach-jane-vest>

**Melissa Stallbaumer** - June 22, 2018 at 05:41 PM



“ *Your Girls on the Run of Southwest Missouri family purchased the Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.*



**Your Girls on the Run of Southwest Missouri family** - June 22, 2018 at 11:55 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.*



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June 22, 2018 at 10:15 AM



“ *Doug & Tigi Steward purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.*



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**Doug & Tigi Steward** - June 22, 2018 at 07:21 AM



“ *She was my day nurse when I was in the hospital after having a stroke. The first time I seen her was when I was getting a ultrasound on my heart and they were trying to put a new I.V. in and they called Jane to help. I was shocked that she was wearing a white dress, white stockings, and a white coat and white shoes. I hadn't seen a nurse dress like that in a long time. But she was so very nice to me. She explained so much to me about strokes (I am only 45). And she asked me all about my family and where I lived. It was through this conversation that I found out she lived out our way. I am so glad God blessed me with Jane as my nurse. And I was so very saddened to hear of her passing. But I'm happy to know she knew God and was such a godly woman.*

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**Joyce Ince** - June 21, 2018 at 07:53 PM

JG

“ Jane's service to others is what I will always remember about her. Her passion for life, mentoring, her patients and her faithful dog Buddy is what she worked and lived for. Jane you were a wonderful person and I am so glad I had the privilege to call you a friend.  
Jessica Green

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**Jessica Green** - June 21, 2018 at 03:52 PM

SM

“ Kim, I'm so sorry for your loss. I pray for strength for your family at this very difficult time.

Sherry McGirt

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**Sherry McGirt** - June 21, 2018 at 03:08 PM

KI

Thank you so much Sherry. I appreciate your prayers.

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**Kim** - June 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.



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June 21, 2018 at 12:59 PM

JC

“ Jane was the most amazing nurse and lady. It was an honor to work with her. She was a great advocate for her patients and they were blessed to have her as a nurse Julie Cook

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**Julie Cook** - June 21, 2018 at 11:45 AM

RY

“ I am so grateful that I had the opportunity of knowing and working with Jane. She was a beautiful soul inside and out. She always had a smile on her face, never spoke a harsh word toward anyone, and loved her profession of nursing. She gave of herself freely to mentor others and share her compassion's. She touched her co workers and patients with her faith and kindness. I pray for peace and comfort for you as family. She will truly be missed and remembered as the beautiful she was.

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**Ramona Young** - June 21, 2018 at 10:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.



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June 21, 2018 at 10:07 AM

FT

“ *Friends & Co-workers @ SUTHERLANDS - Amarillo, Tx* purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum* for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.



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**Friends & Co-workers @ SUTHERLANDS - Amarillo, Tx -**  
June 21, 2018 at 09:26 AM

SJ

“ Jane was one of the first nurses I met while working at Cox. I am glad I had the opportunity to learn from her passion of helping others. She was born to be a nurse, she breathed every second of it, and she was one of the greatest. Over the years, she became a good friend, and I will share her story of compassion and love for vulnerable populations. We will miss you, Jane - and I hope your family finds comfort in knowing how many people you truly touched.

Stacy Johnson - June 21, 2018 at 08:32 AM

SC

We met Jane at church and she was invited to be our Camp Nurse at our Campgrounds. She was an amazing lady. During her 2 years of coming to camp we were privileged to watch her love for the Lord, Youth and Staff. She gave us ideas for our camp forms that we begin using and will continue. She will be sorely missed by many. Pray that God's love and presence will surround her family in the coming seconds, minutes, days, weeks, months, etc. She was passionate about her love for others.

Sandy Campbell - June 21, 2018 at 01:42 PM

MB

I am deeply saddened to learn of our sweet Jane passing so young. Jane I have so many fond memories of you coming over my place for our potluck dinners and the many laughs we shared. You will be missed by many. God speed. Love, Marc

Marc Brown - July 09, 2018 at 03:08 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Cynthia "Jane" Vest.



June 21, 2018 at 12:53 AM

KD

“ Jane touched so many hearts in her time with us. I am so grateful and fortunate that I had the chance to know her. I hope your whole family will be comforted to know how much we loved her and continue to surround her with this love and light. God bless you all.

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**Kim Dye** - June 20, 2018 at 10:34 PM

GR

“ Jane Vest was an amazing woman. Her passion for women’s empowerment and Girls on the Run put a light in everyone’s life. She always made me feel special, cared for, and valued

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**grace** - June 20, 2018 at 09:10 PM