



## Samantha Goudy

October 15, 1991 - December 17, 2013

Samantha Goudy, 22, formerly of Lennox, died peacefully of natural causes, on December 17, 2013 at her apartment in Sioux Falls. Samantha Ann Goudy was born on October 15, 1991 and was adopted into the Goudy family on November 7, 1991. She was an answer to our prayers and the biggest joy in our lives. She took the loss of her Dad, David Goudy, and her grandparents, Lucille Goudy and Rolland and Audrey Peterson, with the heart of a true Christian, "They get to have supper with God every night". Samantha started school in Harrisburg, but completed 1st through high school in Lennox, graduating, in 2010. She was a member of First English Lutheran Church and the Lincoln Luckes 4-H group. Her life became less complicated when she was diagnosed with Asperger's in 2011. With help from counseling and social thinking classes she felt ready to cope with the world that didn't think the way she did. She was excited to find an apartment that not only was close to work, but where she could have her cat, Bubbles, with her. When it was suggested she apply for disability she said no, "I'm Rolland Petersons granddaughter. We don't do welfare, I want to go to work like everyone else". We now know it's not just infants that stop breathing in their sleep. When she didn't make it to work we knew she was gone. Nothing would have kept her from going to work at Kidz Academy. She loved her work, the kids, and was so proud to have friends and co-workers. Grateful for being a part of her short life, her Mom, Carolyn Goudy-Carlson, her step-dad, Michael Carlson, who loved her very much, her Uncle Donald, who was always there for her and all her Aunts,

Uncles and Cousins and friends. Services will begin 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December, 21 at First English Lutheran Church, Lennox with burial to follow in the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 2:00 p.m. Friday at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox with the family present from 6 to 8 p.m.

# Tribute Wall

LW

“ I want to express my sympathy with the loss of your sweet daughter Samantha. I hope you will find comfort as you hold precious memories close to your heart.

*Lori Wollmann-Lennox MS and HS teacher*

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**Lori Wollmann** - January 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Dear Family of Samantha:  
My heart is filled with sadness in the loss of your very special Samantha. Losing a child leaves a very deep emptiness. My thoughts and prayers are with you during your grieving and adjustment to your loss. Your precious memories will give you joy as time passes and heals some of the sorrow.

*Dr. Janell Beck*

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**Dr Janell Beck** - December 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ I lost my son one month ago and my heart just grieves for you and your family. Please depend on your loved ones, but your loss in your heart will stay. Precious Memories

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**Paul** - December 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ I helped take care of Samantha at daycare many many years ago. She's always held a special place in my heart. My prayers are with you all. I was so sad to hear of her passing. I'm sure she will always be watching over all of you.

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**Sandy Josten** - December 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss. "Miss Sam" took care of my daughter at Kidz Academy, she was amazing with her and all of the other children. She will be missed greatly.

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**Lindsay Nyhus** - December 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. She is a sweet girl and I loved her smile. Our prayers are with you. Aric and Melinda Stien

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**Melinda Stien** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Dearest Carolyn, Michael and Don and family. It was with great shock and sadness I read of Samantha's passing. My heart is heavy with grief for you. But what a beautiful tribute you have written about Samantha's life. I am praying for peace, comfort and strength for you all at this very sad time. Sincerely and in friendship. Cindy Buss

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**Cindy Buss** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Sam was a great worker and will be very missed at work everyday. I loved the great care she took of my son and will always remember her telling us about the game she made up to play with my son! I will miss you very much Sam!

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**Brittney Wentzel** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Our deepest sympathy's to you. In our thoughts and prayers.

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**Mike & Lori Weisz** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ My deepest sympathy to Samantha's family. I loved talking with Samantha and teaching her in 4th grade. I learned so much from Samantha. I will miss her. Love to all.

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**Kathy Poppe** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am so terribly sorry for your loss. Samantha is a beautiful girl. May you find some comfort in knowing she is in Gods loving arms surrounded by people who love her.

*You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Melissa (Roberts)Connot** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Dear Carolyn,  
We are so very sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with during this difficult time.  
Blessings,  
Sharon & Gary Lane

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**Sharon & Gary Lane** - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM