



Valerie Marie VanAvery

September 22, 1996 - August 10, 2013

Valerie Marie VanAvery of Leroy passed away suddenly Saturday afternoon, August 10, 2013 in Cadillac. She was 16. Valerie was born on September 22, 1996 in Cadillac to Christopher W. & Victoria A. (Wingate) VanAvery.

Valerie had just completed her junior year at Pine River High School and loved Destination Imagination; she also enjoyed babysitting, golfing and slow pitch softball, spending time with her sister, friends and boyfriend, Mitchell. Most recently Valerie was named Miss Leroy for 2013, she was very socialable, was always friendly with everyone and would put others first before herself. She was a member of Faith Formation and the Youth Group of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Evart.

Survivors include her parents: Chris & Vickie VanAvery; sister, Stephanie VanAvery all of Leroy; Grandfather, Charles Smith of Luther; boyfriend, Mitchell McDonald of Leroy and many Aunts, Uncles, Cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by grandparents: Marylyn VanAvery, Walter VanAvery, Doris Smith and Shirley Wingate.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Evart with Fr. Joe Fix as celebrant. Burial will be at Maple Hill Cemetery in Leroy. Friends may meet the family at the church from 6-8 PM Tuesday and the wake service will be held at 7:30

PM. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Destination Imagination Program at Pine River High School or to the family c/o First Merit Bank of Leroy. Arrangements were made by the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

SM

“ I will miss you forever but I know that I will see you again,love you

Search marshall - July 28, 2015 at 10:33 AM

CZ

“ I am so so very sorry. My heart sank as I was reading this. It's hard to breath. I'm sure Cristie is talking Valerie's ear off! I am so very sorry.

Cindy Zimmerman - January 03, 2014 at 03:53 PM

GS

“ Chris, Vickie and Family...we are deeply saddened by the tragic loss of your beautiful daughter! Please know we lift you up in prayer and ask that God hold you close, giving you a peace that passes all understanding.

Gary and MaryJo Stratman - August 15, 2013 at 08:46 AM

H(

“ You are all in my thoughts and prayers. She was a wonderful, beautiful girl.

Heather Plamondon (Carper) - August 14, 2013 at 11:36 AM

TF

“ Our hearts won't go where you are right now. The pain is too stong. Please know ALL parents in this community are praying for you and your family. John 11:35 " Jesus wept."

The Denman Family - August 14, 2013 at 11:21 AM

PB

“ *Your in our thoughts and praying God gives your family comfort during this terrible loss.*

Pam Bigelow - August 14, 2013 at 04:47 AM

PM

“ *Vickie and family, so very sorry for your tragic loss of your sweet daughter. I' ll keep you in my prayers. God be with you.*

Penny (Mosley) McClure - August 13, 2013 at 08:29 PM

RM

“ *Vicki, Chris and family, We are so sorry for your great loss. Know that you are in our prayers*

Ramon and Bonnie Mayoral - August 13, 2013 at 05:10 PM

VF

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. May happy memories carry you through this sorrowful time.*

Victor, Linda & Wade Fullerton - August 13, 2013 at 11:50 AM

KF

“ ”
Vickie, Chris and Family, I can't even put into words how sorry I am to hear of your loss. My heart is with you and your family. You are in my prayers.
Kathy Fulks, Brandon Fulks and Amanda

Kathy Fulks - August 13, 2013 at 11:15 AM

ST

“ Vickie, you and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Steve Thumma - August 13, 2013 at 11:06 AM

JC

“ we are sorry for your loss we pray for you

John Ruth Cross - August 13, 2013 at 09:55 AM

RM

“ Vickie, Chris & family,
We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Ramon and Bonnie Mayoral - August 13, 2013 at 09:27 AM

MW

“ Chris, Vickie and family, We are so sorry for your loss! Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Myrna Wood - August 13, 2013 at 08:19 AM

TH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Sending love and prayers to you all.

Tracy Howerton - August 13, 2013 at 08:05 AM

GF

“ Chris, Vickie, and Stephanie, and family, Our deepest sympathy in the loss of Valerie you all are in our hearts, thoughts and prayers our love to all

Gray/Gentry family - August 13, 2013 at 03:54 AM

BL

“ So very sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Bill and Julie Logan - August 12, 2013 at 10:56 PM

GF

“ Chris, Vickie & Stephanie ~ Our deepest, most heartfelt sympathy to you at the loss of Valerie. Memories of her beautiful and vivacious spirit will be cherished.

Gordon & Nancy Mattzela and Family - August 12, 2013 at 07:58 PM

PB

“ Vickie, there are simply no words that will help relieve your pain. Pat and I will keep you and your family in our prayers.

Paul Baerman - August 12, 2013 at 06:58 PM

LS

“ Valerie followed me everyday in my bus to her babysitting job as I was carrying the kids she was sitting for. I will miss seeing her smile and wave to let me know that she was there for the kids. Losing a child is the hardest thing EVER! Having been in this same situation myself my heart breaks for this family knowing what they are going through. God Bless you all!

Laurie Stinson - August 12, 2013 at 06:04 PM

RS

“ Valerie will be sadly missed, her infectious laugh and sparkling eyes will always remain in our minds and in our hearts. Love you and miss you deeply.

Robert and Carla Smith - August 12, 2013 at 05:51 PM

VW

“ *Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal.*

Vanessa and Steve Warren - August 12, 2013 at 04:48 PM

KA

“ *Chris, Vickie and Stephanie-I am so sorry for your loss-you all are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Kathryn Bough

Kathryn - August 12, 2013 at 03:23 PM

AC

“ *So very sorry to hear about this - a very tragic loss.*

Ann Clous - August 12, 2013 at 02:42 PM

JG

“ *Vickie, Chris and Stephanie,*

*No words can express our sorrow in the loss of your beautiful girl.
You are in our prayers.*

Jen and Allan Green - August 12, 2013 at 02:06 PM

JT

“ *I wish to express my deepest sympathy in the lose of Valerie. I had gotten to know her over all her life starting at St. Ignasis. She was a wonderful person and will be dearly missed*

Jerry Terpstra - August 12, 2013 at 12:12 PM

RF

“ Chris, Vickie and Family, We are so sorry for you loss. You all are in our thoughts and prayers!

Ruth Babbin/Scott & Becky (Babbin) Tyndall Family - August 12, 2013 at 12:07 PM

TF

“ In our hearts and prayers

Trent Miller Family - August 12, 2013 at 11:23 AM