



Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki

June 16, 2010 - September 29, 2025

Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki, 15, of Sardis, OH, passed away Monday, September 29, 2025, at her home.

She was born June 16, 2010, in Wheeling, WV, a daughter of Kasey VanGilder Nething.

She was a 10th grade student at River High School and she attended the Washington Presbyterian Church Washington, PA; she was a wrestler, artist, poet and liked doing theater plays.

She was preceded in death by Papaw, Scott VanGilder.

Survivors include her mother, Kasey (Dad "Tone" Gower) Nething of Sardis, OH; step mother, Elizabeth Kawasaki of Shadyside, OH; siblings, Alyssa (Derek West) Nething of Powhatan Point, OH; Savanna Kawasaki of Cleveland, OH, J.J. Kawasaki of Wheeling, WV, Bri Gower of Pittsburgh, PA, Anastasia Kawasaki, Tobias Kawasaki and Maranatha Kawasaki, all of Shadyside, OH, and Andrew (Christina) Gower of Pittsburgh, PA; girlfriend, Keegan Eldridge; her father, James Kawasaki of Moundsville, WV; two nieces, Kinsley West and Stella Gower, nephew, DJ Gower; maternal grandmother, (Nana) Elizabeth VanGilder; grandparents, Oma and Opa Kathy & Rick Morgan and Pap, Bill Gower; great grandmothers, Jo Ann VanGilder and Stella Gower and several cousins, uncles, and aunts, including Aunt Sissy, Kendra Tenley, with whom she loved spending time.

Everyone is invited to wear Hello Kitty or Billie Eilish clothing in her honor.

Family will receive friends on Friday, October 3, 2025, from 2 pm until 8 pm at

the Grisell Funeral Home and Crematory 751 Third St. New Martinsville, WV,
where services will be held on Saturday at 1:00 pm with Pastor Phillip
Amaismeier officiating.

Interment will be at the convenience of the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville
751 Third Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
(304) 455-1800
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville
751 Third Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



October 03, 2025 at 11:20 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



October 03, 2025 at 09:06 AM

ME

“*Aralynn and I were pretty close. She was the best and sweetest girl ever. She would make me laugh whenever I wasn't in the mood for a laugh. She would always just make sure I was ok. I loved her so much and it hurts not gonna be able to laugh together in class anymore and messing around in school. We won't be able to send each other really funny videos to each other. I won't be able to hear her behind me saying "what's up sexy mamas" or "heyyy baby girl" or her saying "imma touch you". I'll never get her warm hugs again. I will miss her drawing on my papers in class while I'm trying to do my work lol or even talking in class and won't get any of are work done or start on it. I'll miss everything abt her. I'll miss not being able to hear or see her in class beside me working on her drawings. She meant so much to me and I wish she knew that. She would always be in the bathroom doing hilarious dances that would make all of us laugh so loud. I hope she's finally at peace in her mind and looking over all of us and cheering all of us on from here forward. Rest in peace beautiful I'll always miss you and love you forever and I'll never forget all the memories we had together and I'll never forget you. LLAK* 🧡🕊️



Macie Edgell - October 02, 2025 at 10:05 PM

EF

“*Edelmann Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*

Edelmann Family. - October 02, 2025 at 09:28 PM

EF

“ *Edelmann Family. purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



Edelmann Family. - October 02, 2025 at 09:28 PM

SI

“ *Sharon Isner lit a candle in memory of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki*



Sharon Isner - October 02, 2025 at 01:03 PM



*Sharon Isner,
Thank you so very much for your support it is greatly appreciated from the bottom of our hearts.*

Anthony Gower - October 02, 2025 at 08:04 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*

October 02, 2025 at 10:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



October 02, 2025 at 10:22 AM

FF

“ From Your AOS Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.



From Your AOS Family - October 02, 2025 at 09:25 AM

FF

“ From Your AOS Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.

From Your AOS Family - October 02, 2025 at 09:25 AM

AM

“ Amie purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.



Amie - October 02, 2025 at 07:27 AM

AD

“ I was so heartbroken to hear about your beautiful daughter, Aralyn. I teach at RES and have such wonderful memories of tutoring her when she was younger. She was a fun, adventurous, and bright girl whose laugh was absolutely infectious. My son, Lincoln was also in her class, and we are both deeply saddened by this loss. We are sending all our love and support to you and your family. With deepest sympathy, Annette Duke

Annette Duke - October 01, 2025 at 10:17 PM



*Annette Duke,
Thank you so very much, she is going to be deeply deeply missed for sure by many. Thank you for your support.*

Anthony Gower - October 02, 2025 at 08:02 PM

KS

Hi, my name is Kendra Straub. I was one of Aralynn's teachers at RES. Aralynn was amazing. She could have me laughing and frustrated in an instant. That smile and fluttering eyelash look she would give me to get out of trouble, will be etched in my mind forever. She loved to make miniature things and bring them to school to show me. She would even make tiny moveable drawers with hidden treasures inside. She would always come visit me when she was going through the halls when she was in 7th & 8th grades. She gave the best hugs and we always exchanged I love yous as she would hurry to wherever she was supposed to be. She was a quirky, beautiful soul that will be forever missed by this old broken heart. I pray she has found the peace that she so desired. Love and prayers to all others who knew and loved her. She may be gone, but she will never be forgotten. ❤️

Kendra Straub - October 02, 2025 at 09:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



October 01, 2025 at 10:04 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*

October 01, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



October 01, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“ *Sydney and Jonathan Daniels purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Aralynn Elizabeth Ann Kawasaki.*



Sydney and Jonathan Daniels - October 01, 2025 at 04:43 PM