



Sierra Jade Gabbert

April 24, 1999 - April 27, 2016

Sierra Jade Gabbert, 17 years young, passed away peacefully early Wednesday morning April 27, 2016. Her family invites all who cared for her to join them at a Viewing Thursday, May 5 at Mission Family Mortuary, 531 California Avenue, Bakersfield from 4-7 p.m., and a Memorial Service at the Connection Assembly of God, 7220 Rosedale Highway on Saturday May 7, 2016 at 11:30 a.m.

Born and raised in Bakersfield, Sierra attended elementary school at both Sing Lum and Leo B. Hart followed by Tevis Junior High and West High School where she worked diligently toward a college scholarship.

As a West High Viking, Sierra played starting catcher for the Varsity softball team her entire high school career. As a freshman she earned 1) Rookie of the Year, 2) Highest batting average in Kern County, and 3) broke the Viking softball batting average record. Last year she was captain of the WHS JV basketball team. At her untimely departure from our lives Sierra carried a near 4.0 academic average, was varsity softball captain, president of the photography club, and an active member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Her first love was softball, a sport she played competitively for a decade including participation in three A-League national tournaments where she met

and competed against the country's finest. Sierra was set to do so again this summer in Philadelphia with the Easton Preps 18U Gold Cota's team.

Favorites of Sierra included her phone, Snapchatting with family and friends, sketching, eating cereal, and fishing trips with her father to Camp Nelson.

Sierra is survived by her parents, Buck and Kym Gabbert, sisters Mollie and Gracie, Paternal grandmothers Gail Bishop and Janice Gabbert, Maternal grandparents Len and Sue Grayson, Aunts Kelly Grayson and Amy Gabbert, Uncle Geoff Grayson, cousins Jacob, Courtney and Cameron Grayson, and hundreds of student athletes across the country.

Sierra was a vibrant young woman who loved life and was a blessing to all who knew her. She is already missed dearly. Rest in peace baby girl. Jersey #55 forever.

Tribute Wall

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“ Hello

I just happened to read Sierra's obituary and felt compelled to write.

It is my hope that some thoughts from the Bible will bring you some hope, comfort and peace. It was never God's intention that we should die. When He put Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, he also put before them the prospect of living forever happy and in good health. (Genesis 1:28)

Our creator has not given up on that original plan..perfect live on paradise earth...even though Satan, Adam and Eve messed up (Isaiah 55:10-11)

The Bible tells us that it is Satan who is responsible for death, and not God as some would tell us. (Hebrews 2:14)

Our creator Jehovah God sent his Son Jesus Christ to ransom us from death and to destroy the works of the Devil (1 John 3:8)

Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me will live though he dies." (John 11:25)

With Jesus Christ enthroned as King of God's Kingdom, resurrection of the dead - including Sierra's - and a restoration of paradise on earth is assured.

It is My hope that until that time comes, you will find hope, comfort and peace in these promises from God.

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