



Ansley Scott Odum

December 21, 2000 - April 14, 2020

Ansley Scott Odum, 19, Overland Park, Kansas, passed on April 14, 2020 at the University of Kansas Medical Center. She passed from complications from sepsis with Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome. Ansley was born December 21, 2000 in Kansas City, Missouri. She is survived by her parents, Paul Odum and Ansley's ferocious protector, Molly Odum; maternal grandparents, Dr. Kenneth F. Scott Jr. and Susan Scott of Clinton, Missouri; paternal grandparents, David and Judy Odum of St. Louis, Missouri; uncle Chris and Allison Scott, aunt JoAnn and Matthew Muller, uncle Scott and Melinda Odum; cousins Jacob, Zach, and Isaac Scott, Sarah, Marita, and Adam Muller and Jack Odum. She was preceded in death by her great grandmother Lorraine Odum, great grandfather Robert F. Frazier, great grandfather and great grandmother Kenneth F. Scott and Laura F. Scott.

A celebration for the life of Ansley will be held at a time to be determined. We will establish a Foundation to honor Ansley's profound legacy in the near future.

Ansley was a student at Johnson County Community College where she was a member of JCCC's Model United Nations club. Last semester she was awarded the Model UN scholarship and this semester, was nominated by her professors for JCCC Outstanding Student Award.

She was an accomplished musician (vocalist, harpist, pianist, guitarist and played the ukulele). Ansley was a member of Allegro Choirs of Kansas City (Brio), a prestigious city-wide choir. She even sang the National Anthem for a Kansas City Royals game last season.

Ansley was a member of the Youth Advisory Council at Children's Hospital in Denver, Colorado. She embraced this as an opportunity to give back to the hospital that was instrumental in her care by helping to plan events for the patients there.

Ansley accomplished all of this and much more despite the many daily challenges caused by her illness. She taught everyone in her life not to underestimate the power of a heart, will, and mind all focused on one goal – LIVING BIG! It is impossible to capture Ansley's essence in a few paragraphs. We, and those that know her, are forever changed by her indomitable personality, her joy filled laugh, her boundless imagination, and her tenacious spirit.

We are thankful she is now in God's Glory – perfect, strong and vivacious as it was always meant to be.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wildflower Seeds - Build A Memory Garden was purchased for the family of Ansley Scott Odum.*



May 04, 2020 at 02:12 PM



“ *Meat & Cheese Sympathy Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Ansley Scott Odum.*



April 22, 2020 at 09:26 PM



“ *Molly and Paul - Our hearts go out to you. We're sending you all our love and prayers. We're remembering the many happy and fun times our kids shared with Ansley and her fox Foxy.*

Lea, Steve, Kate & Roman Cosentino

Lea Cosentino - April 22, 2020 at 08:53 PM

 Dawn Heckert

“ I am so sorry for your grief but giving thanks for Ansley's life and love of the arts. I remember Ansley playing her harp between Christmas Eve services at Christ Community. She was so poised and beautiful as she shared her gifts with others.

My daughter, Annabelle, also sang in Allegro choirs with Ansley. I remember her energy and joy before shows. For her the "show must always go on" regardless of what she had to carry with her to be healthy.

May you be comforted by God, family, and friends in this strange season of loneliness and loss.

Dawn, John and Annabelle Heckert

Dawn Heckert - April 22, 2020 at 07:17 PM

DQ

“ Molly and Paul,
Our deepest sympathies are extended to you. No words can express.
She was a darling young lady with sparkling eyes and a beautiful smile.
You will remain in our thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely,
Denise and Bill

denise quatman - April 22, 2020 at 03:01 PM

SS

“ So very sorry for your loss. Please accept our deepest condolences.

Stephen & Marilyn Shady

Stephen C. Shady - April 21, 2020 at 08:56 PM

TC

“ I met Ansley when she was 6 years old and taking my ballet/tap combo class. I remember loving her spunky personality and Molly checking in with me afterward to make sure she and her friend Olivia, were focusing. The answer was often a "sometimes yes, sometimes no" situation, lol. However, once I started turning on Broadway tunes for tap, Anz came alive and would sometimes serenade us as we did shuffles and flaps to George Benson's "On Broadway." I also have sweet memories of her dressed up as a Dragon Fly in the Spring Production of Cinderella. Who knew when she was 6-8 years old how much in the future she would need to draw on her God-given spunk and to endure all the physical hardships she would have to face.

For years, whenever I would get a stomach bug I always think of Anz and how could someone possibly face this nonstop for months??? Her resolve to continue to choose and experience life and see beauty in the midst of such suffering (supported by the incredible encouragement of her parents) is beyond admirable. I am so glad she is finally in perfect health and yet my heart breaks thinking of her dear parents and family.

So much love and many prayers for the Spirit's abiding comfort as you mourn what no parent should ever face. I will be forever grateful for the testimony Anz lived of enduring faith amidst the land of so many seemingly unanswered prayers.

Tawny Clement - April 21, 2020 at 07:48 PM

MF

“ *Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Ziegler, Jr. and Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Ansley Scott Odum.*



Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Ziegler, Jr. and Family - April 21, 2020 at 03:37 PM

JA

“ *I remember the first time I met Ansley like it was yesterday. Ansley is a friend of my daughter Emma. Ansley and Emma arrived with their significant others in tow. Ansley came into the living room and held the room with her presence. The others moved around the place. Ansley just stayed in the living room to talk with me, her friend Emma's dad. She had such a joy and light about her. Of course, in tow, was her "suitcase" and "lines" but it was like that stuff wasn't even there. I remember feeling stunned and impressed by her joy and presence. Molly and Paul, I have no words worthy of this time. I just hoped to share how much your Ansley humbled me. I am grateful Emma has been able to know Ansley and you both.*
Jason Ashley

Jason Ashley - April 21, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ *Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Ansley Scott Odum.*



April 21, 2020 at 03:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ansley Scott Odum.*



April 21, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ *Molly and Paul--there are no words to say to help you navigate through all of your emotions. You are right, now she is in Gods hands and no more pain. I will never forget all the times when she was just a toddler and we would be at your folks. she was a joy to watch! And the time we came up with your folks and John got all of his change out and she was going through it looking for one certain coin. Know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Deepest Sympathy . John & Sandra*

john and sandra parker - April 21, 2020 at 01:57 PM



“ *My sincerest condolences to all who had the privilege of knowing Anz...I met her as a baby and had the honor of spending a couple days with her just last month. Wow, what a bright ray of sunshine...thank you for sharing her with the world...may her memory be a blessing for us all.*

Laura Katz - April 21, 2020 at 12:12 PM



“ *Our beautiful girl is now singing in God' s choir of Angels effortlessly. Love you Ansley .*

Judy Odum - April 21, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Reflections Memorial Services LLC - April 20, 2020 at 02:56 PM