



Melissa Sue Fralic, aged 33 of Hart, entered into the presence of her Lord and Savior on Saturday, August 2, 2014 with her loving family by her side. Melissa was born on March 6, 1981 in Manistee, the daughter of Melvin and Linda (Wresinski) Kruse, and graduated from Manistee High School with the class of 1999. She attended Central Michigan University, earning her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education in 2004, and furthered her education by completing her Masters Degree in Reading from Western Michigan University in 2010. On June 18, 2005, she married Mark W. Fralic in Manistee, and they cherished every moment together.

Melissa began her teaching career for the Benzie County Central Schools, before moving to Hart Public Schools where she has taught Kindergarten the past 9 years. She and Mark were active members of Mason County Reformed Church in Scottville, serving as Life Group leaders, and she was also a member of the Association for the Education of Young Children (AEYC). Melissa loved to spend her free time kayaking, going on hikes, and scrapbooking, but her greatest joy came in the presence of her beloved family and friends.

Melissa will be greatly missed by her husband Mark, her parents Melvin and Linda Kruse of Manistee, her brother Michael (Svetlana) Kruse of Washington, her sisters Julie Kruse, and Jamie (Jacob) Charette all of Manistee, Mark's parents Rusty and Dixie Fralic of Hart, his sister Layna (Bill) Howland of Hurricane, WV, her niece Lilee Howland, and her nephew Liam Howland, her grandmothers Janet (Jack) Aussicker of Zeeland, and Norma Schimke of Onekema, many great friends, and all the children she has had the blessing of teaching over the years.

Melissa was preceded in death by her grandparents Bridget and Ed Kruse, and Alex and Eleanor Wresinski.

A Celebration of Melissa's Life will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, August 16 at the Mason County Reformed Church with her friend, Pastor Randy Boerema officiating. Friends may meet with her family for a time of visitation on Friday evening, August 15 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm also at the church. Those who wish to make contributions are asked to consider the Melissa Fralic Scholarship Fund, which will assist graduates of Hart Schools who are interested in pursuing a career in Elementary Education.