

Jodi Michele Beason Wallace
May 27, 1968 – October 10, 2026

Jodi Michele Beason Wallace, born May 27, 1968, in Tallapoosa, Georgia, went home to be with the Lord on October 10, 2026, at 10:40 a.m. in Gardendale, Alabama, surrounded by family and friends. After courageously fighting cancer for 12 years, Jodi went to be fully healed in the presence of her Lord and Savior.

Jodi spent her early childhood in Geraldine, Alabama, and her teenage years in Oneonta, Alabama. During high school, she was a proud member of the marching band and served as a majorette, an experience she loved and remembered fondly throughout her life. She later attended Jacksonville State University, where a chance meeting at their apartment complex introduced her to Bryan Wallace. The two married on December 19, 1992, beginning more than 33 years of marriage together.

Jodi and Bryan built their life and raised their family in the Pinson and Gardendale areas. Though she called several places home throughout her life, she maintained deep connections to Geraldine, Oneonta, Pinson, and Gardendale, leaving behind cherished friendships and memories in each community.

Jodi leaves behind her husband, Bryan; her daughters, Callie and Ansley; and Ansley's soon-to-be husband, Matthew. She is also survived by her mother, Barbara Beason; her father, James Beason, and his partner, Jane McCartney; her brother, Jimmy Beason, and his wife, Angie; her brother, Jeff Beason, and his wife, Alicia; her sister, Lashae Underkofler; her mother in law, Lynda Leonard, and her husband, Gene Head; her brother in law, Jeff Wallace, and his wife, Angie; and many beloved nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her grandparents and father in laws Curtis Wallace and James Leonard.

Jodi also leaves behind countless friends, but those especially dear to her were her sister-like friends Brandy Royce, Julie Lively, Cindy Sandlin, Angie Graves, and Cande Sanders, who faithfully remained by her side until the very end.

For 20 years, Jodi faithfully served at First Baptist Church Pinson. Her love for Jesus was at the center of her life, and through her years working with the church's youth, she ministered to and loved countless young people. She leaves behind many "kids" who may not have called her Mom, but whom she loved, encouraged, prayed for, and cared for as though they were her own.

Jodi also devoted more than 20 years of her life to education, working in both kindergarten and special education. She had a remarkable way of making others feel loved and welcome. Children, adults, and animals alike seemed naturally drawn to her.

To know Jodi was to laugh with her. She was always joking, smiling, laughing, and finding a little mischief to get into. Even through the hardest years of her life, cancer never defined who she was. Jodi loved serving Jesus, serving others, and bringing joy into people's lives—and she did all three abundantly.

Her influence lives on through her family, friends, students, church family, and the many young people she ministered to over the years. Countless lives are better because Jodi Wallace was part of them.

Visitation will be held at **First Baptist Church Pinson** on **Sunday, October 18, 2026, from 2:00–4:00 p.m.**, followed by a **Celebration of Life service at 4:00 p.m.**

In lieu of flowers the family is asking for donations be made to Rumpshaker, Inc.

Though Jodi will be deeply missed here, those who share her faith know this is not goodbye forever. After 12 years of fighting, she is no longer sick and no longer hurting.

She is healed. She is home.