



Catherine Paige "Katie" Baugher

March 10, 1996 - July 14, 2023

Catherine Paige "Katie" Baugher, age 27, of Bethesda, MD, passed away on Friday, July 14, 2023, at her home.

Katie was pursuing her PhD in computer science through Ohio University. She worked at the National Institute of Health in cancer research. She was recently part of a team that had an article published in the Nature Methods Journal concerning technology for measuring 3D genome topology. She loved all animals, especially her cat June Bug. She enjoyed hiking, shopping at record and thrift stores, and spending time with her fiancé Gonzalo.

Katie was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents Roy and Carolyn Gish, paternal grandparents Roi and Paige Baugher, and aunts Patty Loreto and Karen Reagan.

She is survived by her mother Susan Walsh (Tim) of Cincinnati, OH; father John Baugher of Cincinnati, OH; sisters: Elizabeth McLean (Justin) of Cincinnati, OH, Maggie Walsh of Cincinnati, OH, and Bridget Walsh of Chattanooga, TN; brother John Walsh of Cincinnati, OH; nieces Savannah and Emilia McLean; as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins.

A graveside service for Katie will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 20, 2023, at St. Louis Cemetery in Henderson, KY with Reverend Rick O'Daniel

officiating. Burial will follow. Pallbearers will be Justin McLean, Brad Gish, Chad Gish, Colie Gish, Samuel Gish, and Meredith Gish.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to local humane societies or animal shelters.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home, A Life Celebration® Home, online condolences may be made at www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Louis Cemetery

Henderson, KY 42420

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Henderson, KY 42420

Tribute Wall

AP

“ I am immensely sad with the news of Catherine's passing. I was fortunate to work with her while she was a student of Prof. Welch, through our joint collaborative projects. Catherine always impressed me as a wonderful person and a most promising young scientist. She was highly motivated, knowledgeable and professional, and it was effortless to work together with her to solve new challenges and advance our joint field of interest. It is incomprehensible that she is no longer with us. My deepest sympathy on your loss. Ana Pombo



Ana Pombo - August 11, 2023 at 04:04 PM

DS

“ I had very few opportunities to speak with Katie (mooty), so I am very sad to say I did not know her very well. Still I have to say, I could not help but take those opportunities from the first time I remember reading something she'd said. I knew right away that her friendship would add value to my personal growth and so I silently, subconsciously made that goal and I believed it surely would happen with time. Beyond my own hopes to be friends, I was especially excited to have someone of such character and qualities in the community, potentially encouraging it to be better. My first impression was of intellectual and emotional depth, probably informed by genuine curiosity and veneration for truth, and the ability to channel it into her writing in a compelling, authentic way. I expect anyone who'd shared space with her, even as briefly, surely recognized these sorts of things and probably more still.

I only relate all this to say that even to those of us that barely knew Katie, she was clearly a very special person. As sad as I am for my loss and the loss of those to whom I'm acquainted, I am absolutely devastated for her family, her friends, those who knew her best.

Thank you for your part in nurturing such a wonderful person. I have no doubt she had an uplifting presence on many people's lives and no matter how slight, such presence is not easily come upon. I am so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts are with you.

DSO - August 01, 2023 at 04:21 AM

ST

“Katie was admired by all who had the good fortune of meeting her. She was distinguished as an eminently intelligent, ambitious, thoughtful and kind person. She was the rare sort of character that you don't often meet nor forget. A joy to talk to, imparting confidence to everyone she spoke with, always listening with pensive endurance, her insights would brim between searching discourse, banter, giggles and raucous laughter.

She will be remembered for her curiosity and empathy, her smile and wonderful character. Katie shall be sorely missed by the communities that knew her, and many friends are united in grief with her departure from this world to the next. We seek consolation in Christ.

S.J. Thomson - July 23, 2023 at 02:08 PM



“Absolutely heartbroken to hear about the passing of a truly amazing friend. I know we never met physically, but you really did touch our lives in the most significant way online, Mooty. I really enjoyed our conversations and literally everything, and your refreshing outlook on ideas, science, and world views. Thank you for always being one of the amazing ones. Sending my condolences and love to your family and everyone close to you.

-Marley

Marley Reilly - July 23, 2023 at 12:27 PM

RO

“ You were an wonderful person, and I will always remember and cherish the great conversations we had. I don't know many people in the world who were as smart and considerate as you. You will be missed.

Frank Rosen

Rosen - July 23, 2023 at 05:20 AM

BP

“ We love you, Motty. You were a light in our life online and always made our lives brighter. We will think of you always.



Blake Peststsky - July 22, 2023 at 06:27 PM

AN

She will be so dearly missed. Katie was a truly kind-hearted, special person.

Anon - July 23, 2023 at 01:37 AM

PS

“Katie was in kindergarten when she, Elizabeth and her parents graced my life. She was always smiling and happy and eager to learn. Like her parents, she was brilliant and vibrant with her future limited only to her imagination. They moved from the Nashville area to Mason, but I managed to get there to visit and participate in John’s Christening. Katie was deeply loved by her parents and a joy to just be around. Many smiles and laughter watching her grow to her teens. As if the world wasn’t dark enough, without Katie’s radiance, her parents will struggle to see any hint of the light. Faith in GOD and our Lord, knowing Katie is with our Lord and YOU WILL BE REUNITED with her, forever. Christ is the only way to her beautiful, loving smile. Forever hugs, at peace with our Savior. Amen

paul sorace - July 19, 2023 at 11:35 AM

LG

“My daughter Courtney was a classmate of Katie's in Nashville (St Ann) MS Katie was a joy to have over as there were many sleepovers and trips to the zoo....you will be missed sweet girl

Lauri Gardner - July 18, 2023 at 04:19 PM

IG

“Katie- in my mind- is synonymous with "flying". Some of my most early and cherished memories were shared with her, scrambling up to the top of the dark navy blue reclining armchair, taking hands with her, and leaping off, scared out of my mind, and stomach ready to fall out onto the carpet. We'd hit the small landing pad, nearly knocking the wind out of me, but Katie would stand right back up- determined and strong- ready to jump off again.

I think we were both too young to know it- but Katie taught me courage. The strength to face what scares you dead in the face, and move forward relentlessly. Growing up with Katie was the epitome of a blessed childhood. I am stunned by her loss, and have felt such a strange and foreboding hole open up in my life knowing that she is not here.

Life comes at you fast. Incredibly fast- and will require bravery and fortitude of many forms- and different situations are going to require different pieces of yourself and the others in your life to move on from. Little chunks of each other that get passed down from one life lesson to the next. The pieces that Katie has left with me will continue to grow and teach me lessons in perpetuity.

"Fly" High Katie. I'll miss you greatly down here below.

Isaac Gish - July 18, 2023 at 09:35 AM

JW

*Thats very sweet Isaac. I hope yall know how much she loved you and will always be within you.
Much love, Jack*

John Walsh - July 20, 2023 at 11:34 PM

JA

This note is just a placeholder - I am not yet ready, but want the family to know that at least one more comes, so check at some point.

Jackson - July 22, 2023 at 03:43 AM