



## Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford

September 21, 1970 - September 8, 2025

With deep love and gratitude, we celebrate the beautiful life of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford, who passed away on September 8, 2025, at the age of 54. Born on September 21, 1970, in Baton Rouge, she lived a life marked by compassion, kindness, faith, and excellence in nursing. Tracy brought warmth and light into every room. She will be remembered for her bright smile, infectious laughter, and empathetic heart. Tracy is survived by her beloved daughters, Irelyn and Savannah Stafford; her parents, Sam and Barbara Collins; her twin sister, Stacy Chaffee; her sister, Klacy Howze, and husband, Dennis Howze; her brother, Shane Collins; and her nephews, Ethan Howze McDonald and Giovanni Chaffee, who will continue to carry her love and spirit forward. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Alvin and Gladys Kinchen; her paternal grandparents, Alex and Carrie Collins; and her former husband, Lynwood Stafford Jr. A proud Registered Nurse, Tracy earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1995. Her healing hands and caring spirit touched countless lives throughout her career, as she poured her time and energy into helping patients and their families feel comforted, supported, and seen. Guided by her faith, she had a gift for making everyone she encountered feel valued and cared for. Her legacy of compassion will forever live on in the lives she touched. Her extraordinary service was recognized many times, including being a two-time recipient of the prestigious DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses, being named among Louisiana's Top 100 Nurses, and receiving the honor of Nurse of the Year. These awards

reflected not only her professional excellence but also the countless quiet, unseen moments when she went above and beyond for those in her care. All are welcome to attend Tracy's visitation at Christ's Community Church in Denham Springs on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 10:00 AM until the funeral service begins at 1:00 PM. Burial will follow in Hiram Stafford Cemetery. Services will be conducted by Pastor Ted David Kinchen. Serving as pallbearers will be Shane Collins, Dennis Howze, Giovanni Chaffee, Ethan Howze McDonald, Jacob Arledge, and Greg Aydell, who are honored to carry her to her final resting place. Colleagues, patients, friends, and all whose lives she touched are invited to gather in remembrance of a truly extraordinary woman. Though our hearts ache with her absence, we find comfort in knowing that Tracy's life was a blessing to all who knew her. She had a beautiful heart and an electric personality. Her light, dedication, and love will never be forgotten. Arrangements have been entrusted to McLin Funeral Home. Online condolences may be shared at [www.mclinfuneralhome.com](http://www.mclinfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Hiram Stafford Cemetery

17739 Lod Stafford Road  
Walker, LA 70785

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Christ's Community Church  
26574 Juban Road  
P.O. Box 1113  
Denham Springs, LA 70726  
(225) 791-9333  
willis@cccds.net  
<http://www.cccds.net>

## Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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## Burial

SEP **20** (CT)

Hiram Stafford Cemetery  
17739 Lod Stafford Road  
Walker, LA 70785

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ TRACY WAS MY NURSE AT TERREBONNE GENERAL, SHE WAS A KIND LADY, POSTED A SONG SHE MADE UP IN MINUTES, ABOUT A FRIEND AND I,, CALLED HARLEY RIDERS PLUCK AND KUSH ON TIC TOC,, CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY, 🙏🙏🙏🙏

Don Gros - December 27, 2025 at 04:59 PM

HS

“ Thoughts and Prayers are with you all during this heartbreaking time. I'll always remember Tracy's infectious laugh, it was like no other. Loved when she would be helping her twin Stacy with her business lives. These 2 together was a promise of lots of laughter. God Bless You All! Special Prayers for the grieving parents of this Beautiful Soul.



Hope Simmons - September 29, 2025 at 07:34 PM

SH

“ My lil group of best friends in Walker High School included Stacy and Tracy. I was the only one in the school to tell them apart. Many times I watched the girls switch classes. The teachers and students had no idea! Lol. I remember being jealous, wishing I had a twin to go to ALL of my math classes!  
My dad was in the hospital when they just started nursing, he refused to use a bed pan or anything that required him to show any skin, because he said "they were my friends". Lol  
Tracy called me years later asking about my problems trying to have children. She was having some issues also. I say this, because I know she viewed her children as God's miracles, like I did my son. Tracy and Stacy are the embodiment of kindness and love. My heart goes out to you Stacy. I know Your pain is deeper than most. Time may have separated us, but I love you both, like it was yesterday! I am here for you, just message me sweetheart.

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**Stephanie Crotwell Haulbrook** - September 20, 2025 at 11:53 PM

JF

I am truly sorry for your loss she was one of the best in whatever she did  
She took very good care of my husband  
Stacey praying for you  
I remember when tracey and Lynnwood got married  
Two of my friends back together again  
Gonna miss you  
I thank God for putting you in my path  
May God bless your daughters I will be praying for them  
Let me say this to them  
Your mom loved you girls with every fiber  
And all her heart  
When she talked about you young ladies  
She lit up like a Christmas tree  
Praying gods strength for the both of you also

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**Janice Felder-Chapman** - September 23, 2025 at 05:32 PM

TJ

“ *Tracye Johnson lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



Tracye Johnson - September 20, 2025 at 12:58 PM

TJ

*Tracy, you will always be remembered for your beautiful smile and beautiful heart. Your patients adored you and you loved them. Nursing was your true passion and calling. I miss us from way back, when the girls were little, when you took the role of Kennedy's Godmother, and we would always come over to your house and let them play. Your sweet voice and laughter, calling me Tray, and seeing you at work and priceless memories. Rest in Peace sweet girl and watch over your Twin Stacy, as she will need you on her shoulder all the time, she is literally your other half. God Bless you and her and family.*

Tracye Johnson - September 20, 2025 at 01:07 PM

KI

“ *Kim lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



Kim - September 20, 2025 at 02:01 AM

PA

“ *Condolences to the family and friends.*



Patti - September 19, 2025 at 03:29 PM

DM

“ *Debbie & David Miller lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Debbie & David Miller** - September 19, 2025 at 11:07 AM

CH

“ *Chris lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Chris** - September 19, 2025 at 10:31 AM

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“ *- your sisters from Millsaps Softball purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



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**- your sisters from Millsaps Softball** - September 18, 2025 at 03:20 PM

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“ *- your sisters from Millsaps Softball planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*

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**- your sisters from Millsaps Softball** - September 18, 2025 at 03:20 PM



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



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September 16, 2025 at 05:29 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.

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September 16, 2025 at 05:29 AM



“ *Tammy Mieri lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Tammy Mieri** - September 15, 2025 at 10:43 PM



“ *Tim&Shannan Brandi&Jason Kaylynn&Garrett purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



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**Tim&Shannan Brandi&Jason Kaylynn&Garrett** - September 15, 2025 at 12:00 PM

IC

“ *Irma Coleman lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Irma Coleman** - September 14, 2025 at 09:42 PM



“ *Debbie Hampton lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Debbie Hampton** - September 14, 2025 at 10:17 AM

HC

“ *Hazel Cummings lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Hazel Cummings** - September 13, 2025 at 09:28 PM

C(

“ *Connie Myers (Pennsylvania) lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Connie Myers (Pennsylvania)** - September 13, 2025 at 08:28 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers 🙏 or with Stacey, Gio and her family.



Joy Hughes - September 13, 2025 at 08:23 PM

RS

“ My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. May you find peace, knowing that she is resting in the arms of Jesus and that someday you will see her again.



rebecca shivers - September 13, 2025 at 07:36 PM

CH

“ May the Lord embrace and comfort each one of you. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Christine Hall - September 13, 2025 at 07:00 PM

KW

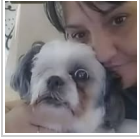
“ I am so sorry to hear about this. As I didn't know Tracy personally.. I know her sister Stacy. And have seen Tracy on video with her twin sister. She was a bright light and definitely very funny. She made a lot of us laugh at the lives. She was on with her sister. God has a plan for us all I will be praying for her family, friends and associates. Rest in peace Tracy.

Kip Washington - September 13, 2025 at 06:43 PM



My thoughts and prayers 🙏 are with Stacey, Gio and her family

Joy Hughes - September 13, 2025 at 08:18 PM



“ *Saw her on a few lives with her twin Stacy she was so sweet I'm so sorry for your loss*



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**Krysten Farmery** - September 13, 2025 at 06:27 PM



“ *Jessica Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Jessica Hamilton** - September 13, 2025 at 05:50 PM

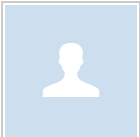


“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



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September 13, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*

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September 13, 2025 at 02:19 PM

RC

“ *May the Lord embrace and comfort each one of you 🙏  
I'm so sorry for your loss.*



Ruth Collins - September 13, 2025 at 10:59 AM

RC

“ *Rith Collins lit a candle in memory of Tracy  
Lyn Collins Stafford*



Rith Collins - September 13, 2025 at 10:57 AM

ST

“ *So sorry to hear this she and her twin sister are Beautiful people I met them both when I was working at Ochsner 🙏🙏🙏 for the family, Stacy girl love ❤️ you chic stay strong*

Stella Trusclair - September 12, 2025 at 11:32 PM

AL

“ *Well I remember the times that I have been in classes with both Tracy and Stacy, but she never said anything bad about anyone while I was around; and she was always so polite and friendly. She kept a smile on her face even when things didn't go accordingly to plan. But she will be missed, I will pray for her family to make it through this tough loss. Prayers going up.*

Arenda Leighow - September 12, 2025 at 08:27 PM

PE

“ 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏 *Name Of The Father Son The Holy Ghost Go with Your Sprit Our Condolences Go Out To Your Family ❤️❤️❤️❤️*  
*❤️❤️ Keep Yourself Busy Stacy' Giovanni Sending Prayers.*

Patricia Eyre - September 12, 2025 at 03:03 PM



“ *Prayers for Tracy's family and you as well Stacy...Lots of hugs*



Betty Black - September 12, 2025 at 12:55 PM

EC

*Prayers for Tracy's family and as well Stacy,,*

Eloise Camille - September 12, 2025 at 07:48 PM

CS

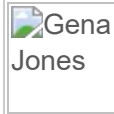
“ *Tracy, as well as Stacy, was one of my best friends from high school. I have wonderful memories of Tracy and Stacy both during our teenage years. The laughter, joy and great memories will never be forgotten. I am still in shock, and have not fully processed this tremendous loss. Tracy, you will always be a ray of sunshine in my life. Praying for you Stacy, and your beautiful family during this time.*

Christy Meyers Sanders - September 12, 2025 at 10:05 AM

SC

*Thank you out beautiful friend!!! We love you!!*

STACY CHAFFEE - September 12, 2025 at 11:25 AM



*I'm so sorry! Where have you been Stacy? I pray for you and your family 🙏🙏🙏*

**Gena Jones** - September 12, 2025 at 11:30 AM



*Sending lot's off prayers for you Stacy and your family God bless y'all I will not forget Tracy she was my nurse and you was to when I had my daughter in 1997 I will not never forget yall y'all were my best nurses and good friend God be with this family through this time of grief again God bless you Stacy and Tracy God be with you all*

**Angela Gunter** - September 12, 2025 at 01:34 PM



*“ I had the pleasure of knowing Tracy for many years when we worked together at summit hospital on O’Neil. She was always a ray of sunshine. She was a brilliant nurse. Very caring and always willing to help. She will be greatly missed. My condolences to her family and friends.*



**Dawone Babin** - September 12, 2025 at 09:29 AM



*“ So sorry for your loss. Loved watching you both on live shows. She was very talented. May she rest in peace.*

**Deb Talamini-Murphy** - September 12, 2025 at 01:58 AM



*“ I had the pleasure of having Tracey as my preceptor nurse. She trained me at Summit years ago. We never lost touch. She will be so very missed in the nursing community!*



**Kourtney** - September 12, 2025 at 12:21 AM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



September 11, 2025 at 10:56 PM



“ *Connie Myers lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



**Connie Myers** - September 11, 2025 at 10:17 PM



*Thank you beautiful Queen*

**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 10:59 PM



“ *Paula Weber lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



**Paula Weber** - September 11, 2025 at 10:04 PM

PW

“ *Heaven must have needed an angel! you brought so much joy to Stacy's life shows the few times I saw you. Praying for strength for the family. Such a great sense of humor and we all loved seeing you. God Bless You.*

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**Paula Weber** - September 11, 2025 at 10:03 PM

SC

*Thank you beautiful Queen. She was a bright light unto many.*

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**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 11:32 PM

JT

“ *Joanne Thompkins lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



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**Joanne Thompkins** - September 11, 2025 at 09:59 PM

BR

“ *We were childhood friends and classmates but I hadn't seen you in years. I have fond memories of joking around and laughing with you.*

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**Brent Reynolds** - September 11, 2025 at 08:10 PM

SC

*Lol yes yes Brent we could never forget you. Tear i miss Tracy so much. This just seems so unreal. Please pray for me.*

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**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 11:33 PM

SP

“ Sending you many prayers and lots of love.  
We all loved Tracy... We love you.



Sherry Ann Parrish - September 11, 2025 at 07:49 PM

SC

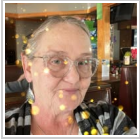
Thank you beautiful Queen. Remember the specials she would give lol

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 11:34 PM

SC

Im just devastated 🥹

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 11:34 PM



“ Only saw you on Stacy’s shopping site but I’ll always c you in my  
thoughts and prayers Atlanta ga

Karen Weathers - September 11, 2025 at 07:25 PM

SC

Thank you beautiful Queen

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 11:35 PM



“ Stacy I am so sorry to hear this tragic news ❤️  
I remember I think she was helping you one  
time on the show or her and your mom were  
there at your house. What a wonderful family  
❤️ Prayers baby to your family 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏



Pam Tomlin - September 11, 2025 at 07:23 PM

SC

*Thank you beautiful Queen thos is just so awful 🥲*

**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 11:35 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm keeping you and your family in my prayers.*

**Lori Wechsler** - September 11, 2025 at 07:17 PM

MT

“ *My condolences Queen on the loss of your sister. I enjoyed her joyous soul when you were both together.*

**Melissa Reece Thomas** - September 11, 2025 at 07:03 PM

SC

*Thank you beautiful Queen*

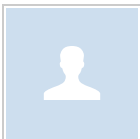
**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 12, 2025 at 06:00 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



September 11, 2025 at 06:54 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*

September 11, 2025 at 06:54 PM

TB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for all of Tracy’s family to find the much needed peace and comfort during this most difficult time.



Tammy King Blanchard - September 11, 2025 at 06:36 PM

SC

Thank you beautiful Queen.

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 06:49 PM

BM

“ Brenda K. Matheson purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.



Brenda K. Matheson - September 11, 2025 at 06:32 PM

BM

“ Brenda K. Matheson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.

Brenda K. Matheson - September 11, 2025 at 06:32 PM

SM

“ We all have so many memories together growing up in school. I am so terribly sorry for your loss. She was so beautiful inside and out. I love you all. Prayers for your family.



Sonya Selman McGee - September 11, 2025 at 06:24 PM

SC

*Yes beautiful Queen great memories. We love you*

**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 06:51 PM

VB

“ *Victoria Boudreaux lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



**Victoria Boudreaux** - September 11, 2025 at 06:09 PM

SC

*Thank you beautiful Queen*

**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 10:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford.*



September 11, 2025 at 05:53 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss*



**Patty Swoape** - September 11, 2025 at 05:53 PM

SC

*Thank you beautiful Queen*

**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 06:09 PM

DL

“ *Donna Lail lit a candle in memory of Tracy  
Lyn Collins Stafford*



**Donna Lail** - September 11, 2025 at 05:52 PM

SC

*Thank you beautiful Queen*

**STACY CHAFFEE** - September 11, 2025 at 06:10 PM

 Phyllis  
Frazier  
Harris

“ *Phyllis Frazier Harris lit a candle in memory of  
Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford*



**Phyllis Frazier Harris** - September 11, 2025 at 05:31 PM

MM

*My thoughts and prayers are with you all*

**Mary Ellen Mosolino** - September 11, 2025 at 06:34 PM

SS

“ Stacey S. lit a candle in memory of Tracy Lyn Collins Stafford



Stacey S. - September 11, 2025 at 05:29 PM

SC

Thank you beautiful Queen

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 06:52 PM

MS

“ My thoughts and prayers 🙏🙏 for you Stacy and the family. Loved seeing her with you on your lives. God Bless 🙏 you and the family.



Margaret Staggs - September 11, 2025 at 05:29 PM

SC

Thank you so much beautiful Queen

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 06:17 PM

SS

“ My condolences to you and your family 🙏 God bless you 🕊️

Stacey S. - September 11, 2025 at 05:24 PM

SC

Thank you so much

STACY CHAFFEE - September 11, 2025 at 06:10 PM