



## Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers

June 8, 1993 - March 24, 2014

Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers, 20, of Jonesville, VA, passed away suddenly on Monday, March 24, 2014 in a motor vehicle accident.

Mary was a daughter of Mary Hines Sprinkle and Michael Sayers and was born June 8, 1993. She was a 2011 graduate of Lee High School and would have graduated from Mountain Empire Community College this fall. She was pursuing a degree in psychology.

She was an avid horse rider and an award winning equestrian. She had grown up in the 4-H Program in Lee County where she had met many special friends in the Reigning Horse and Sharp Shooters Programs and the 4-H 50 Mile Ride Group. She will be remembered by those who knew and loved her for her special laugh and love for dance.

Mary was preceded in death by her grandfather, W.R. Hines and by her cousin, Max Hines.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her grandmother, Francis P. Hines; one sister, Julia Hartley Goble and husband Jeramy; brother, John David Hartley and wife Merrilee; niece and nephew, Liam and Elyse Hartley; dear friend and cousin, Abe Kolko; and several aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family members.

The family will receive friends from 4 until 7:00 p.m. Friday, March 28, 2014 at First United Methodist Church of Jonesville. The funeral service will follow at 7:00 p.m. with Rev. Betty Marshall officiating. The graveside service and interment will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 29, in the Woodard Cemetery. Everyone is asked to meet at the cemetery by 10:45 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations may be sent to the Mary Cole Sayers 4-H Horse Program Fund. Checks may be made out to the Virginia Tech Foundation and please include "Mary Cole Sayers Fund" on the memo line. Donations may be mailed to Barbara Martin, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (MC0402), Hutcheson Hall, Suite

216, Virginia Tech, 250 Drillfield Dr., Blacksburg, VA 24061. Donations may also be made online at <https://webapps.es.vt.edu/givingto/academic/gift>. When selecting the designation, please use the “Enter your own” button and type in “Mary Cole Sayers 4-H Horse Program Fund” and follow prompts.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Jonesville  
200 Church Street  
Jonesville, VA 24263  
fumc\_jonesville@verizon.net

## Funeral service

MAR 28. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *I met Mary Cole at the 4-H Southern Regionals horse show, I mostly called her Cole since we both had the same middle name, we got to know each other pretty well and chances were that if you saw one of us the other was close by, we became close friends in just a matter of minutes, I started looking through my contacts to see if I still had her number earlier today just to touch base with her but I got a new phone and it wasn't saved, so I pulled her name up on the Internet and when I saw the headline I hoped that it'd be someone else so I opened it to prove to myself that it was someone else but my heart stopped the moment I saw the picture of her and her horse, the same horse that she won reining on that year at regionals, RIP Mary Cole, you will never be forgotten!!!*



**Cole Amason** - September 24, 2015 at 06:37 PM



“ *I thought of Mary Cole yesterday at church and lit a candle in her memory. She'll always be missed and never forgotten.*

**Allysia Syvertsen** - March 12, 2015 at 12:54 PM



“ *Mary,  
Please feel my hug. My daughter Hannah and I had the great privilege of spending time with Mary Cole in Georgia at the 4-H Southern Regional's. She was a pleasant surprise to our hussle and bussle of the show. May God be with you in this time of healing. Hold the memories close and carry on for Mary Cole.*

**Rose McDonald Frederick County 4-H** - April 09, 2014 at 03:46 PM

LC

“ Sincere condolences for your loss. Proverbs 17:22 says "a joyful heart is good medicine", therefore, may precious memories bring you joy and warm your heart. It may be comforting to know that others, even those you may not know, are thinking of your family at this most difficult time. Our loving Heavenly Father has promised that soon all pain and sorrow associated with death will be a thing of the past. Revelation 21:4 states "and he (God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more". The tears spoken of here are not tears of happiness and joy, but tears of mourning, outcry, sorrow and pain. 1 John 4:8 says God IS love. It is that love that moved Him to send his only begotten son, Jesus Christ, as a ransom sacrifice so those who have fallen asleep in death might have the hope of the resurrection, and that hope is found at Acts 24:15. The hope and promises found in these Scriptures are guaranteed, because Titus 1:2 states "God cannot lie". As you grieve, may Jehovah, the Father of tender mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our trials (2 Corinthians 1:3,4), comfort you in your time of need. (tallchea@att.net)

Laura C - April 04, 2014 at 04:55 AM

JJ

“ Jenny Jarman lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole  
"Weasel" Sayers



Jenny Jarman - March 28, 2014 at 01:23 PM

JJ

“ Sending our love and prayers for comfort to Mary Cole's family. We know that no words can ease the pain in your hearts, but please know that we are thinking of you. We met Mary Cole at her sister Julia's and my brother Jeramy's wedding. She was a lovely young woman, and Heaven has surely gained a beautiful angel.



Love, Jenny, Tom, David, and Benjamin Jarman

Jenny Jarman - March 28, 2014 at 01:22 PM

LB

“ *Linda Bosworth lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



Linda Bosworth - March 28, 2014 at 11:18 AM

PM

“ *Mary, I don't have words to express my feelings of sorrow and sympathy for you and the family. Please know that I hold you close during this difficult time with prayers for your courage, strength and comfort. May God give you an extra measure of all that you need during this difficult time. Praying that sweet memories will help to fill the void in your heart. With sincere prayers and thoughts, Pat Murphree*

Pat Murphree - March 28, 2014 at 11:16 AM

RT

“ *RTI Support Services Team purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers.*



RTI Support Services Team - March 28, 2014 at 10:36 AM

RW

“ *Mary, I am deeply saddened by your tragic loss. It is very difficult to find any words to share only because I know that no one can truly know the pain that you are feeling. Any words that I find seem so trivial compared to the anguish that I know is in your heart. If there is anything that I could say it is that I wish that I could be there for you now to give you a hug. I'm thankful that your family is around you and I hope that in time it will not be as raw as it is now. Love, Rosanne Wright*

Rosanne Wright - March 28, 2014 at 07:40 AM

MB

“ *megan B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers.*



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**megan B.** - March 27, 2014 at 09:46 PM

KM

“ *Karen Meade lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



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**Karen Meade** - March 27, 2014 at 04:51 PM

BM

“ *Mary, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I pray that God puts his arms around your family and gives you comfort and peace during this difficult time..*

*Betty and Eugene McElroy*

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**Betty McElroy** - March 27, 2014 at 02:29 PM

BB

“ *Mary and her boyfriend were frequenters in the MECC library. Everyone always thought they were so cute together. I never talked to her but a few times but the fact that I won't see her anymore and knowing how hurt her loved ones must be is truly upsetting. The library and MECC send their condolences.*

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**Brittany Baker** - March 27, 2014 at 02:09 PM

SZ

“ *Sue Ella Kobak, Dr. Art Van Zee lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



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**Sue Ella Kobak, Dr. Art Van Zee** - March 27, 2014 at 11:14 AM



“ Sometimes God picks the flower that is still in full bloom;  
Sometimes the rosebud's chosen, we feel He's picked too soon.  
Sometimes the flower is fading with petals floating down,  
But God knows the perfect time to gather flowers from the ground.  
There is a heavenly garden in which God takes great pleasure  
Because He's placed within it the loved ones that we treasure.  
He walks among the blossoms giving them eternal rest,  
And I know that it must please Him  
Because He chose our very best.

Dale Masters - March 27, 2014 at 10:00 AM



“ Mary Cole was a good friend I met in kindergarten and we went to elementary school together, she was a kind and gentle person and she will be dearly missed.

Jessica Marcum - March 27, 2014 at 07:42 AM



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Jessica Marcum - March 27, 2014 at 07:42 AM



“ RTI and the ITS Help Desk sends its prayers and comfort to your family during this time. We are saddened by your loss.

ITS Help Desk - March 27, 2014 at 07:34 AM



“ Sheree Kenner lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole  
"Weasel" Sayers



Sheree Kenner - March 27, 2014 at 07:32 AM



“ I knew Mary from Class at Mountain Empire she truly did know how to light up a room and brighten a person's day. Praying for comfort to her family.

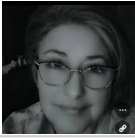
Leonce Edward Hall IV - March 27, 2014 at 01:14 AM

KA

“ Prayers for the family such a tragedy God has a beautiful Angel.



karen - March 26, 2014 at 11:58 PM



“ Jill Evans lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Jill Evans - March 26, 2014 at 10:29 PM

BC

“ I am so sorry. Please know that the family and loved ones are in my prayers during this very sad time. Sending love and hugs...

Betty Crusenberry - March 26, 2014 at 05:45 PM

LB

“ Mary was one of my best friends in high school. She introduced me to horses and the peace that comes with them. I'm so sorry to hear she is gone. She will be missed

Latasha Burgan - March 26, 2014 at 12:30 PM

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Mary Mcalister - March 26, 2014 at 12:19 PM



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RM

“ Rachel Marshall sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Cole  
"Weasel" Sayers



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**Rachel Marshall** - March 26, 2014 at 12:13 PM

MD

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to your family. May God comfort and give you  
peace in knowing that He has you in HIS mighty arms and will carry you through.

*Members of Dryden Volunteer Fire Dept*

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**Members of Dryden Vol. Fire Dept** - March 26, 2014 at 09:58 AM

LO

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We know nothing  
we can say or do can really ease your pain and mend your  
hearts. We pray that God holds you in His hands and  
surrounds you with love, peace and comfort that only He  
can give.

*Lisa and David Oaks*



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**Lisa Oaks** - March 26, 2014 at 08:57 AM

PB

*My thoughts and prayers are with your Mary and your family during this time. I will  
never forget her beautiful smile. May God guide you through this time.*

*Patsy Brimelow*

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**Patsy Brimelow** - March 26, 2014 at 09:59 AM

KH

“ Kathy Hartley lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel"  
Sayers



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**Kathy Hartley** - March 26, 2014 at 07:48 AM

DH

“ *David Hartley lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



David Hartley - March 26, 2014 at 07:47 AM

Jennifer Farmer

“ *Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you, Mary, during this time. Please trust in our sweet Jesus to carry you through the days ahead. May He give you peace and understanding that no one else can. Love you and will never forget the welcoming that you and Mary Cole made me feel at the barn. Jennifer Cassim Farmer*



Jennifer Farmer - March 26, 2014 at 04:46 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. May God surround you complete with his love through the love of others. Doris and Larry Presley.*

Doris Presley - March 25, 2014 at 09:28 PM

AN

“ *Abigail Nicholson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



abigail nicholson - March 25, 2014 at 09:17 PM



“ *Laurie Albanese lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



Laurie Albanese - March 25, 2014 at 09:04 PM



*Mary Cole was a beautiful young woman. My heart goes out to the whole family, especially her loving mom, sister and aunts. Prayers and love.*

**Laurie Albanese** - March 25, 2014 at 09:05 PM

CK

*“ I loved Mary Cole's bright smile and can-do attitude. I remember an ODPOAC show at which she and Hippy Hippy Shake were doing an over-fences course, and Mary Cole looked slightly less focused than usual but completed all eight jumps. When she rode out of the ring, she told us she had a bee inside her shirt that had been stinging her the whole time! I hope I can do as well completing tasks that I set for myself. Her bright light will shine on in all our memories.*

*with much love from Carrie Kroehler*

**Carrie Kroehler** - March 25, 2014 at 08:34 PM

DG

*“ I had the privilege to have her sing in one of the Jonesville FUMC Hanging of the Greens service that I helped lead. She had a beautiful voice and now singing with the angels. May God provide the family with comfort.*

**Darlene Gibson** - March 25, 2014 at 08:17 PM

TR

*“ Gailya and I will always remember Mary Cole who came to Willow Bridge as a little girl and grew up riding horses with Chelsea, Erin, and all of the \$-H kids. Nothing can or ever will replace the loss of this child. We suffer your loss Mary as you did with us. Tom R.*

**Tom & Gailya Rasnic** - March 25, 2014 at 08:10 PM

KS

*“ I remember Mary Cole on TLF Jammin Jasper as she moved from leadline to walk/trot. He wasn't a particularly easy pony, but one thing that never changed about MC in all the years I knew her was THAT SMILE. I was blessed to know her, blessed to have had her gentle spirit and irrepressible sense of humor shine on my path every time it crossed hers. She will be forever missed and forever loved. The world is better because she was in it.*

**Kay Schwink** - March 25, 2014 at 08:01 PM

AM

“ Amber sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Amber - March 25, 2014 at 07:58 PM

AM

“ I'm very sorry for your loss. Mary was such a sweet and fun person to be around. She will be missed greatly.

Amber - March 25, 2014 at 07:50 PM

BL

“ B. Lazo lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



B. Lazo - March 25, 2014 at 07:44 PM

KB

“ So sorry for your loss. May God wrap his arms around you all and give you comfort in this difficult time.

Kristi Blakemore - March 25, 2014 at 07:38 PM

RS

“ Praying for the family during this hard time. So sorry for their loss.

regina and david spivey - March 25, 2014 at 06:52 PM

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regina and david spivey - March 25, 2014 at 06:52 PM

GH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. She was my cousin, wish I'd known her better. She was beautiful! Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. May God hold you in his arms and give you peace during this time.

Much love,  
Greta Sayers Hurst  
Richlands, Va.

Greta Sayers Hurst - March 25, 2014 at 06:42 PM

KR

“ I am so sorry. Words cannot express. I watched her grow up with horses in the 4H program. She was one of a kind. Love to all her family and friends

Kim Reid - March 25, 2014 at 06:36 PM

Donna  
Ryan

“ Donna Ryan lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Donna Ryan - March 25, 2014 at 06:35 PM



“ Many hours and enjoyable times spent with Mary Cole her mother and my daughter doing the POA and 4 H horse events. Many laughs. Such a young women full of life. Always had that big smile on her face. Going to be missed

Mossy Jones - March 25, 2014 at 06:28 PM

SB

“ Samantha Bledose lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



samantha Bledose - March 25, 2014 at 06:20 PM

CA

“ *She was such a sweet young lady who always had a smile on her face. I remember I use to hang out with her and her mom when my sister Hannah rode horses with her. She was so full of energy. She will def. be missed.*

*Praying for her friends and family.*

*Cassie "Hayes" Blevins*



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**Cassie** - March 25, 2014 at 06:20 PM

BW

“ *Mary Cole was such a beautiful young lady inside and out..she would always put a smile on your face.I know she touch many life's I know she did mine and Laken's. she will always be in our hearts and we will never forget the memories we shared. love you girl*

*Becky Woodard*

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**Becky Woodard** - March 25, 2014 at 06:10 PM

RE

“ *Rhonda & Scott Egan lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



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**Rhonda & Scott Egan** - March 25, 2014 at 06:04 PM

LH

“ *Linda Hurd lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers*



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**Linda Hurd** - March 25, 2014 at 05:48 PM

RG

“ Reggie And Cathy Goble lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Reggie and Cathy Goble - March 25, 2014 at 05:41 PM

RG

“ To all of Mary Cole's family, our hearts go out to you. You all raised a sweet daughter and a wonderful girl.  
Reggie and Cathy Goble

Reggie and Cathy Goble - March 25, 2014 at 05:39 PM

CM

“ Cotton Martin lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Cotton Martin - March 25, 2014 at 05:36 PM

JS

“ There are so many memories that I can think about when I think of Mary Cole. I have known her and cared about her both in my youth as the little baby I once held and the young woman I had the privilege of coaching in our little drama group. For me, Mary Cole has always represented determination and fearlessness to be her own individual. Even as a child, she went her own path.

*My clearest memories as a young woman of Mary Cole are ones that make me smile. As the youngest in a brood of cousins older and rowdier, Mary Cole could hold her own. I think one of my favorites memories is when my youngest brother Jonah and her cousin Adam were in high school. Her uncle Joe had a pizza in his hand and you could just tell Mary Cole wanted a piece. So she slides over to Joe to see if he would spare a slice. Of course, Joe told her "No. Slap your face Weasel!" as only Joe can do. Mary Cole didn't miss a beat, and you can just see her start to work on him. She did end up with a slice of pizza, but it always stuck in my mind that she would do what she wanted and would not be deterred.*

*The world will miss this lovely and unique woman who knew how to be both sweet and strong, determined yet kind. A rare combination that will be sorely missed.*

Jillian Skidmore - March 25, 2014 at 05:35 PM

JG

“ Jean Gregory lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Jean Gregory - March 25, 2014 at 04:48 PM

DS

“ Darrell And Joyce Snodgrass lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Darrell and Joyce Snodgrass - March 25, 2014 at 04:13 PM

TG

“ Tammy Gross lit a candle in memory of Mary Cole "Weasel" Sayers



Tammy Gross - March 25, 2014 at 04:00 PM