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Nicole Renee Chipman, age 43, of Grand Rapids, passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 26, 2025. She was born in Laurium, Michigan, on March 31, 1982, the daughter of Timothy Chipman and Linda (Oysti) Chipman.

Nicole devoted many years to hospitality at the Holiday Inn where her kindness and gentle spirit brightened the lives of coworkers and guests. A free spirit and nature lover, she found beauty and meaning in the world. Spiritually curious, Nicole found joy in astrology and cherished crystals for their beauty and believed energies. She also enjoyed reading tarot cards and helping others connect spiritually.

Nicole was deeply compassionate. Children, animals, and people alike were drawn to her warmth and generosity. She had a tender heart, always thinking of others before herself—even expressing care and concern for the nurses who cared for her. She was an advocate for those who didn't have a voice and a freedom fighter.

Nicole loved art and was a talented artist herself. She enjoyed music festivals and attending concerts - especially Prof! She loved the theater and had a deep appreciation for good food and cooking. She lived spontaneously, creatively, and with empathy for all.

Her nieces and nephews were the light of her life, and she poured her heart into them. She loved to take them to Sticky Fingers and museums and taught them to be an advocate for others. Alaska held a special place in her soul—she loved her time living in Anchorage and Willow and often spoke of its wild, peaceful beauty.

One of her sister's favorite sayings about Nicole was that she was “simply too good for this world that was why she got glimpses of the others.”

Nicole is survived by her father, Timothy (Laura) Chipman; her mother, Linda Chipman; brothers Ben (Daniella) Chipman and Harry Chipman; sisters Rachel Chipman, Jessi Ems, and



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Justine Chipman (Daniel Ottobre); grandparents Ken and June Chipman; beloved nieces and nephews: Isiah, Emma, Landen, Maya, Myles, Sawyer, Noah, Mercy, Deeken, Olive, Moses, Lukas, and Addy; aunt Lisa (Ed) Marcotte; and cousin Siranda (Ted) Patchel. With many beloved friends; Nicole's soulmate Sondra Sauntman, Melissa Crewes, Casey DeKam, Becky Scherf, Jenny Dehmel – with many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ronald and Joan Oysti and Kenneth and Carolyn Jeffery.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date at Pere Marquette in Reed City, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Grand Rapids Library.

Care and arrangements are entrusted to the Mohnke Janowicz Funeral Home in Big Rapids.



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Sarah Hudson lit a candle in honor of Nicole.

Nici was a best friend an like a big sister to me. She had a heart of Gold an was always there for me no matter what. Im gunna miss our talks. Rest peacefully sis.

October 31 at 2:16 PM



Tia Singleton posted:

Nici never met a stranger. She was genuinely interested and engaged in conversations on any topic. She still is one of the kindest people in the universe. No guile present anywhere in this beautiful soul. Rest Easy lovely lady. You are so loved, and will be dearly missed.

October 31 at 1:43 PM



Monique Miller posted:

Nicole was a beautiful soul inside and out! I worked with her at a at-risk youth center and we have way too many memories to count, from work, to social events, to protesting together! Such a beautiful person inside and out! I will be praying for her family during this time 🙏❤️

October 30 at 7:14 PM



Suzanna Johnson posted:

I cherish the time I spent working with Nicole at Eagle Village. She had a heart of gold and always looked out for other staff and the beat interests of the children we served. I appreciated her insight on life as she was older than I and how much guidance she provided. She was deeply loved and valued.

October 30 at 1:09 PM



Bryan L. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Nicole.

October 30 at 9:49 AM





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Anita S. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Nicole.



October 30 at 8:01 AM



Lisa Marcotte shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



October 29 at 2:26 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Nicole by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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