

Cassidy Leigh Whitlock was born on November 1, 2000, in Plano, Texas, to Mike and Trish Whitlock of Frisco, Texas. Her life was taken in a tragic accident involving a drunk driver on April 24, 2019.

Cassidy grew up in Frisco, attending Christie Elementary, Clark Middle School, and Centennial High School. Growing up, she enjoyed participating in softball and volleyball, and playing the flute in the Clark Cougar Band and the Centennial Titan Band. She was so excited about graduating from Centennial High School on June 1st.

Cassidy was an integral part of a very tight-knit family. Alongside her parents and sisters (Jordan and Reilly), she loved traveling, watching movies, and playing games with her family. In addition, she was blessed with a large extended family nearby to surround her with love throughout her childhood. With grandparents in Plano and aunts, uncles, and cousins nearby, milestone events, birthdays, holidays and beach vacations were all celebrated together. Today, there is a terrible hole in that family fabric.

Cassidy had a deep connection to her church family at First Frisco United Methodist Church, where she was part of First Frisco Youth. She served on the Youth Leadership team, sang in the Youth choir, and relished the time spent with her Life Group. With a servant's heart, Cassidy was a faithful volunteer at First Frisco's summer camps and served on several Youth mission trips to places such as Louisiana, Tennessee, and Colorado. This summer, she was looking forward to serving on two mission trips, one of which was to assist in ongoing hurricane cleanup in the Bahamas.

Cassidy had a smile that could light up a room, and a sense of humor that could leave you rolling on the floor. She was a stubborn defender of anything she was passionate about. She was an avid photographer, always looking for the perfect shot of the beauty of nature or the faces of those she loved. She had just begun to explore a newly found talent for drawing and painting.

Born with a natural affinity for children (a.k.a "the baby-whisperer"), Cassidy planned to pursue a career in elementary school education and was thrilled to accept a scholarship to the University of Texas at Arlington, where she would have started college in the fall. She was standing at the threshold of a new chapter, ready to take flight and joyfully explore every adventure life put in front of her.

Cassidy is survived by her parents, Mike and Trish Whitlock, and sisters, Jordan and Reilly Whitlock, of Frisco, Texas; her grandparents, Homer and Linda Whitlock; aunts and uncles, Angie Whitlock and Myke Williams, Steve Whitlock, David Whitlock, Sharon Higgs, Kathy Escobedo, Russell and Kelly Stulting, Karen Stulting, and Julia and Gilbert Stulting-Flores; 14 adoring cousins; and countless other loving family members and friends. No words can express how much we all will miss her.

Cassidy is preceded in death by her grandparents, R.E. and Nelda Stulting, who are holding her tight in Heaven today.

A memorial service will be held at Centennial High School on Thursday, April 25, 2019. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Cassidy's name to Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

"And we wept that one so lovely should have a life so brief." — William Cullen Bryant