



Briley Rose Waddill

September 12, 2002 - February 2, 2026

Briley Rose Waddill, 23, of Searcy, Arkansas, passed away on the evening of February 2, 2026 after a valiant battle with osteosarcoma. She was born on September 12, 2002 in Houston, Texas, to Doug and Rochelle Waddill.

Briley was a student at Harding University, and she was one semester from completing her Bachelor of Business Administration degree in management and was a member of the Ko Jo Kai social club. Her bright spirit, infectious laugh, valor, warmth, and courageous strength touched the lives of all who knew her. She was known for her grit, fierceness, bravery, and contagious joy during her life and years of battling cancer.

She moved to Arkansas the summer before 8th grade and attended Harding Academy in Searcy where she played golf, sang with the choir and small singing group, was a manager of the girls soccer team, participated in drama and theater productions, and was a member of several clubs, as well as a member of the youth group at Downtown Church of Christ. She worked at Sonic, 7 Brew, Sunny Day Inflatables and for a brief time, before her third fight with cancer, at PrimeCare Medical Clinic. She loved each of those workplaces and cherished the relationships she built. Prior to her time in Searcy, her childhood years were spent in the Houston area, where she learned about culture, great food (especially queso!!!), and the importance of family and community. Her early years of faith were deeply impacted by the loving

community at First Colony Church of Christ.

She is survived by her parents, Doug and Rochelle Waddill; her brothers, Braden Waddill, 21 and Blake Waddill, 18; loving grandparents Jim and Eva Rose of Searcy and Sandy Waddill and John Waddill of Richmond, Texas. She is also survived by 12 amazing cousins, several aunts and uncles, and a loving extended family and community of friends that reaches far and wide who will cherish her forever.

Briley's life, though far too short, was filled with joy, laughter, and unwavering pursuit of better things to come, while reminding others to capture the joy of the here and now. She will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of being touched by her radiant spirit. She is now free from pain, cancer, and her daily earthy battle while being held tightly by her Father in Heaven.

In Lieu of flowers, please send a donation to "Arkansas Children's Hospital: Hematology/Oncology" on her behalf

Visitation will be held on Friday, February 6, 2026, from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at Powell Funeral Home in Searcy. Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at 2:00pm, at Downtown Church of Christ. Funeral services will be livestreamed from <https://www.powellfuneralhome.net/obituaries/briley-waddill/#!/TributeWall>

Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)
2602 W. Beebe-Capps Expy
Searcy, AR 72143
(501) 268-7220
searcy@powellfuneralhome.net
<https://www.powellfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Service

FEB 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

Downtown Church of Christ
900 N Main St
Searcy, AR 72143-3712
(501) 268-5383

Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Briley Rose Waddill



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - February 07 at 01:26 PM

AR

Livestream not working

aimee richardson - February 07 at 03:09 PM

RM

All we get is a black screen

Rutledge Mary - February 07 at 03:10 PM

HW

Not working

Heather Witt - February 07 at 03:10 PM

DE

livestream isn't working. So disappointed

Deb Eubank - February 07 at 03:13 PM

WD

Not working

Wendy Davenport - February 07 at 03:13 PM

JB

It worked about one minute then went black.

Jane Baker - February 07 at 03:14 PM



Same for me ❤️

Stacy Featherston - February 07 at 03:15 PM



Thoughts are with the family. Hopefully they get the service up so we can watch at a later time.

Earle Brown - February 07 at 03:18 PM

MH

Same, not working. I've called the funeral home, hopefully they'll get it sorted.

Monica Hepburn - February 07 at 03:18 PM

CM

*Will be viewable on YouTube
Powell funeral home and crematorium at later time. If not viewable here.*

Cheryl Moorer - February 07 at 03:18 PM

RW

Thanks Cheryl, I was sure hoping it was being taped

Rhonda Woodruff - February 07 at 03:19 PM

MH

Funeral home said they are having internet problems so will hopefully upload it after they get the issue resolved.

Monica Hepburn - February 07 at 03:27 PM

BO

I am so disappointed not to join. Bless this family.

Brenda Onstead - February 07 at 03:33 PM

PS

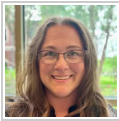
I am honored to get to view the service when it finally came online. Waddill family, you showed great strength of faith during her journey and in the words(and music) you all shared today. When we all get to heaven what a joy that day will be. Love you from the Speights.

Pam Speights - February 07 at 10:24 PM

AB

Such a beautiful service for your sweet girl.

Angie Brice - February 08 at 01:07 AM



This was a beautiful service, honoring a beautiful woman. Rochelle and Doug, there are no words to express the deep grief and pain, but I do know that God is good and your strength and trust in the Lord will sustain you. Praying for you.

Sarina Kathrin - February 08 at 05:18 AM

GH

Such a beautiful service for such a beautiful young lady. Thank you for allowing us to share in this moment with you.

Ginger Howell - February 11 at 06:30 PM

LC

“ Dear Rochelle And Family: I knew Rochelle when she was a child. Sorry to hear about your daughter on Facebook. Mrs. Lisa (Davis) Ciconte.

Lisa Davis Ciconte - February 07 at 08:24 PM



“ I will never forget the moment you arrived at Abby’s bridal luncheon and the sheer joy on your family’s faces at the surprise. You are so loved and have had an impact on so many lives. ~Michelle Le

Michelle Le - February 07 at 07:48 AM

DL

“ Dylan Waddill and Aunt Lisa purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Dylan Waddill and Aunt Lisa - February 07 at 05:15 AM

MF

“ Mary F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Mary F. - February 06 at 10:32 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 06 at 06:38 PM

LA

“ Lindsay Arthur planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Lindsay Arthur - February 06 at 06:38 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 06 at 03:13 PM



“ The Immediato and McFarland Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



The Immediato and McFarland Families - February 06 at 11:55 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 06 at 11:05 AM



“ Meredith M from ACH purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Meredith M from ACH - February 06 at 10:46 AM

BB

“ Benita B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Benita B. - February 06 at 09:17 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 06 at 09:11 AM

WD

“ With Love Steve and Lou Ann Davenport planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

With Love Steve and Lou Ann Davenport - February 06 at 09:11 AM

BN

“ Briley's nurses purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Briley's nurses - February 06 at 12:49 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 05 at 10:15 PM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 05 at 07:29 PM



“ *Brenham Church of Christ family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.*

Brenham Church of Christ family - February 05 at 07:29 PM



“ *Steve Knight purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



Steve Knight - February 05 at 06:58 PM

RM

“ Robryona McCall purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Robryona McCall - February 05 at 05:27 PM

KS

“ Kimo and Christy Stine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Kimo and Christy Stine - February 05 at 03:46 PM

KS

“ Kimo and Christy Stine purchased the *Basket of Memories* for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Kimo and Christy Stine - February 05 at 03:46 PM

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“ -- purchased the *Sweet Solace Spray* for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



-- - February 05 at 01:47 PM

PG

“ Payton Graham purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Payton Graham - February 05 at 01:11 PM

PG

“ Payton Graham planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Payton Graham - February 05 at 01:11 PM

CL

“ Candace, Brandy, Kimber and Tommy at Lexia planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Candace, Brandy, Kimber and Tommy at Lexia - February 05 at 12:36 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 05 at 12:36 PM

GI

“ Gigi purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Gigi - February 05 at 02:47 AM

SI

“ Sincerely, All About Graphics, Inc. purchased the *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray* for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Sincerely, All About Graphics, Inc. - February 04 at 10:13 PM

LP

“ Leah P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Leah P. - February 04 at 09:51 PM

KB

“ Kathryn, Lawrence, Tyson and Bionca purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Kathryn, Lawrence, Tyson and Bionca - February 04 at 08:18 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 04 at 02:42 PM



“ *Huffman, Ross, & Sykes Families purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



Huffman, Ross, & Sykes Families - February 04 at 02:34 PM



“ *I just Briley such a pretty young lady I nicknamed her Pretty, when she came in clinic I use to say heyyy Pretty and she would smile I'm going to miss that smile and such a sweet person.*

Sonya Jackson - February 04 at 01:16 PM



“ *JP & Heidi & The PrimeCare Family purchased the Gerberas and Palms Spray for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



JP & Heidi & The PrimeCare Family - February 04 at 01:01 PM

JF

“ JP & Heidi & The PrimeCare Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

JP & Heidi & The PrimeCare Family - February 04 at 01:01 PM

ST

“ Sub T-16 purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S pray for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



Sub T-16 - February 04 at 12:13 PM

ST

“ Sub T-16 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Sub T-16 - February 04 at 12:13 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 04 at 12:02 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 04 at 11:24 AM



“ *Andy and Jennifer Dunham planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.*

Andy and Jennifer Dunham - February 04 at 09:48 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 04 at 09:48 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 04 at 09:24 AM

WA

“ *With Love; Liv,Rece,& Francesca, ACHPICU purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



With Love; Liv,Rece,& Francesca, ACHPICU - February 03 at 11:18 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 03 at 11:16 PM

MF

“ *Michele, Terry, Sheri & families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.*

Michele, Terry, Sheri & families - February 03 at 09:42 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 03 at 09:42 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



February 03 at 07:42 PM



“ *Kennedy Wylie & Family (camp sunshine) purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



Kennedy Wylie & Family (camp sunshine) - February 03 at 07:38 PM



“ *Jamie Jones purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.*



Jamie Jones - February 03 at 06:55 PM



“ *Jamie Jones planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.*

Jamie Jones - February 03 at 06:55 PM

AS

“ Alan & Cindy Scott planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Briley Rose Waddill.

Alan & Cindy Scott - February 03 at 06:34 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Briley Rose Waddill.



February 03 at 06:34 PM