



Nicole Ashley McDowell

January 25, 1989 - February 16, 2026

Nicole McDowell, age 37, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2026, just weeks

after celebrating her 37th birthday on January 25. Though her time here was far too short,

Nicole lived a life defined by service, resilience, compassion, and unwavering strength.

Nicole earned her bachelor's degree from the University of South Florida, an accomplishment that reflected her dedication and perseverance. She devoted much of her

life to serving others and building community through volunteerism and leadership. For 16

years, she was a proud member of the Manasota Elks Lodge, where she formed lasting

friendships and memories.

Nicole's greatest passion was her involvement in the Kiwanis Family throughout

Florida. Beginning with Circle K International and continuing through her work with the

Cortez Kiwanis Club and the Florida District, Nicole embraced leadership and mentorship

roles that impacted countless young people. She served in numerous capacities, including

Club President and Builders Club District Administrator, always leading with kindness, encouragement, and a genuine desire to help others grow. Her dedication to service leadership left a lasting legacy within the Kiwanis community. Throughout her life, Nicole courageously battled heart-related health challenges. Despite these obstacles, she met each day with determination, grace, and remarkable strength. Her resilience during difficult times inspired everyone who knew her, and her positive spirit and perseverance will remain one of her most enduring legacies. Nicole is lovingly survived by her mother, Pam McDowell; her grandmother, Pauline Pearsall; and many devoted aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and fellow community members whose lives were forever touched by her kindness and friendship. Nicole will be remembered for her generous heart, her commitment to service, and the strength she showed in every challenge she faced. Her impact will continue to live on through the many people and organizations she inspired.

A celebration of life will be held on April 18th 2026 from 3-6PM at the Manasota Elks

lodge at 6808 14th St. W. Bradenton, Fl. 34207

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Nicole's honor to the Florida

Circle K Alumni Association. Please make checks payable to “Florida Circle K Alumni

Association” and mail to:

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Digital donations may also be made here: <https://flackialumni.org/nicole-mcdowell-memorial-scholarship-fund/>

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