

IN LOVING MEMORY  
**Katie Rani Nolan**

1980 - 2009



Katie Rani Nolan was born July 6th, 1980 in Walla Walla, WA to Darla and David Nolan. She was the second-born child and eldest daughter out of five children. She grew up in the small town of Touchet, WA. She was active in sports and graduated from high school in 1998.

She attended a one-year program at Wisconsin Wilderness Campus and went on to study at Philadelphia Biblical University. During her junior year she studied abroad in Israel at Jerusalem University, and during her senior year did her student teaching in Nicaragua. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in both Biblical Studies and Elementary Education.

After graduation, she taught single moms at an alternative school in Philadelphia. In 2003 she went on a mission trip to Nepal with the organization Word Made Flesh. She spent four months in Nepal caring for the elderly who were unable to care for themselves and was involved in outreach to Nepalese street kids. She spent one month in Calcutta, India volunteering at Mother Theresa's Home for the Sick and Dying Destitutes. She spent her last month in Asia trekking the Himalayas and traveling in Thailand.

After returning to the States she spent some time reconnecting with her family. In the fall of 2004 she moved to Portland. She worked at Albertina-Kerr, a residential treatment program for at-risk teenage girls. Later she got a job with Catholic Charities working as the homeless women's housing outreach advocate.

During her time in Portland she witnessed the births of both her nephew and niece and traveled back to Nepal to help her friend during the birth of her daughter. She also traveled to Ecuador and Peru to spend time with friends and family. This fall she started working on a Master's of Social Work degree from Portland State University.

Her passions included photography, scrapbooking, writing, reading, running, hiking, mountain climbing and, most of all, nurturing relationships. She was a loyal and devoted friend to many and will be dearly missed.

