



## Jennifer Boyett

January 12, 1985 - July 5, 2020

Jennifer Boyett, 35, of Webster, FL passed away on July 5, 2020. She was born January 12, 1985 in Gainesville, FL to Melissa Montgomery and Glen Denson.

Jennifer was employed as a Mathematics and Statistics Professor at Hillsborough Community College. In 2016 she was elected to the Sumter County School Board to serve District 4 and had qualified for this year's ballot and was running unopposed this term. She was also a member of the Republican Club of Sumter County and a member of the Sumter County Farmer's Market. Jennifer also was a part time working cow girl with her husband Shane. She will be greatly missed.

Jennifer leaves behind her husband, Shane Boyett, her parents: Melissa Montgomery (Hank) of Earleton, FL and Glen Denson of Ft. McCoy, FL; siblings: Wayne and Garrett Denson and Heather Stover. She is also survived by her nephews and nieces. She is preceded in death by her late sister, Rebecca Arnold.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in Jennifer Boyett's name to "The Sumter Schools Enhancement Foundation", 2680 W. CR 476, Bushnell, FL 33513. This foundation has established an endowment scholarship program to benefit students in pursuing their educational goals, something Jennifer

was passionate about.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. (with visitation from 10:00 to 11:30 prior to service) at Bay Lake Baptist Church, 9020 S. Bay Lake Road, Groveland, FL 34736 with Pastor Ben Britton officiating.

Arrangements by Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

# Tribute Wall

SU

“ I was so sorry to hear about Jennifer and I wanted to send my warmest condolences to the family. To lose someone so loved, a bright light in your life, can bring such overwhelming grief but the God of all comfort tells us at 2 Kings 20:5 he feels our pain. At [jw.org](http://jw.org) we can read John 5:28, 29 that you will have her in your life once again. May all the memories you have give you calm and peace to help you through until God's promises come true. Again so very sorry for your heartache. 🌻

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Sue - July 18, 2020 at 04:13 PM

DS

“ Jennifer, I learnt of your passing on Wednesday July 8, 2020, and since that day thoughts of you have never left my mind. However, I take consolation from the words of the Hebrew Psalmist who wrote: "It is he (God) that hath made us , and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture." (Psalm 100:3) As such, God is under no obligation to explain things to us, since we contributed nothing to our creation.

Your passing reminded me of an epitaph for a college professor who died in England at the age of 42. On his headstone were inscribed these words: "I expected this, but not yet." How fittingly do these words apply to you!

I am sure you were not expecting this because when you and I were speaking outside HCC's main office on Davis Island at the end of the hiring committee meeting in June of 2019, you were looking forward to going on sabbatical for a year, and not once did you mention to me that a year and a few days later, you would be gone or that that meeting would be our last before your exodus.

It is hard to believe that you will not be on campus in the fall, in the spring and for the forever successive fall and spring semesters on this side of eternity. I cannot believe that you and I will not stop by each other's office, or stop and speak (however briefly) on our way to our different classes. I was looking forward to chatting with you next month and bringing you up to date on things when we returned to school next month.

I shall miss you. I shall miss your smile. I shall miss your voice. I shall miss your presence. However, you still live, because from now on, you live in dreams and in pictures, and the adage, "as often as you mention my name, I live," now applies to you. I shall mention your name often.

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Desmond Sawyerr - July 17, 2020 at 11:00 PM

DC

“ Jennifer Denson Boyette was a star. Her talents shined so brightly in her role as Math Professor at HCC-Brandon. She recently served on a Presidential Search Committee for me and even though I no longer work at the HCC Brandon Campus we still kept in touch, sharing ideas and insights on how we could best serve in our communities. She will be sorely missed, but God picks the most beautiful and brightest stars. May she rest in peace and continue to let her light shine!

Jennifer W. China  
HCC SouthShore  
Campus President

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**Dr. Jennifer China** - July 13, 2020 at 10:34 AM

SM

“ Jennifer was a special lady and I really liked her a lot ... we had a special connection, knowing many of the same people and working on the School Board together. She always spoke from the heart when she commented to students on how to better themselves..... she gave the most eloquent invocation at one of our School Board Meetings I have ever heard. Someone else may end up sitting in her chair, but no one could ever take her place. I will miss her very much..... my deepest condolence to her family for this tragic loss.

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**Sally Moss** - July 11, 2020 at 05:18 PM

SS

“ Jennifer was a colleague of mine at Hillsborough Community College. I worked with her on several committees and always admired the logical and level-headed way she approached the many challenges we faced.  
I always thought to myself, "this young woman is going to be in a leadership position some day soon." So, it did not surprise me to see that she was running for school board. She was well-respected among her peers and students. Her passing is a huge loss to not only her family and friends, but her students, colleagues, and community as well. Many blessings to her loved ones.

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**Shelly Stein** - July 10, 2020 at 01:16 PM

BB

“ Y'all are heavy on my heart, I know there's nothing I can say or do to make the pain go away but, always know that I am here for you, I am so sorry for loss  
I love you guys !

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**Becky Bryant** - July 09, 2020 at 10:45 PM