

A Different Meaning

My name is just a portion of me. My name could mean love or hatred for all I know. But whether it's bitter or sweet, it can't truly be me. Want to know the real meaning behind my name? Misunderstood, confused, tired, limited, and different. My name can also mean happy, outgoing, determined, friendly, and bubbly. But would you have known that, by only knowing my name? I am like a red tulip in a gigantic field filled with orange ones. You can glance at the field without noticing anything out of place. But look a little harder and you're bound to find a difference. I am like a cold and rainy gray day in the middle of summer. Unexpected yet refreshing. I am like a little kid's drawing filled with scribbles and the entire rainbow splattered on it, hanging near the Mona Lisa painting. Only few will try to find a meaning behind it, while others will give up and protest to have it taken down.

The reason I have this name, Miriam, is because my parents didn't want me to have a name they've heard a lot. In their entire life they've only encountered very few people that go by that name, "Miriam". They didn't know that there are probably more than 100 people in this world with the same name as me. We may have the name in common, but that's as far as it goes. We don't have share the exact experiences or personality.

My name only helps to distinguish me, whenever you refer to me. It doesn't show what my favorite colors are. It doesn't show what type of music or bands I like. It doesn't show that I hate the taste of strawberries and bananas mixed together. It doesn't show how I feel. It doesn't show what my dreams are. My name begins and ends with an 'M', but what difference does it make if it doesn't show who I truly am?

My name doesn't have to have the same meaning they gave to it long ago, before I was even born. It can mean anything I want to be and what I've done, because remember "One day your life will

flash before your eyes. Make sure it's worth watching."-Gerard Way. I don't have to live my life, like every other person with the same name as mine. I will make my life with my very own decisions and without others opinions. My name will be the definition I give to it.