



Kathleen 'Kathy' Cunningham

December 25, 1947 - June 26, 2026

Kathleen “Kathy” Cunningham, 78, of Round Lake, Illinois, passed away from lung cancer on June 26, 2026, in Libertyville, Illinois, surrounded by her family.

Born on December 25, 1947, in Rochester, New York, Kathy was the daughter of Mary and Donald Frith. She grew up in Rochester and graduated from East High School. In 1976, she moved with her son to Round Lake, Illinois, where she made her home for the rest of her life.

Kathy’s greatest joy was her family. She is survived by her beloved son, Robert F. Cunningham IV, and his wife, Susanna; and her cherished grandchildren Kylie (Jeremy Goedeke) Cunningham, Alexa (Alex) Jadrich, and Cooper Cunningham. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Dennis Frith. She is also lovingly survived by her “grandpuppies,” Chuy, Rocky, and Rusty, whom she adored.

While raising her son as a single mother, Kathy worked as a housekeeper and poured her heart into caring for the two of them. She loved crafting and spent many happy hours working on latch hook rugs, painting ceramics, and making Christmas ornaments. She was an enthusiastic collector of teddy bears—especially Boyd’s Bears—and figurines such as Cherished Teddies. Kathy delighted in decorating her home for every holiday; her house was always a warm, mesmerizing display of festive décor that reflected her creativity and

joy. In quieter moments, she was an avid watcher of classic television shows such as Everybody Loves Raymond, *M*A*S*H*, and The Andy Griffith Show.

Kathy was a member of Calvary Presbyterian Church in Round Lake, Illinois, where she shared her faith by teaching Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She was generous and kind, always ready to do anything for others and support them however she could. Kathy never met a stranger—she could talk your ear off and quickly become your best friend.

Services are private and will be held at Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa, Illinois.

Kathy's family takes comfort in knowing she is at peace and reunited with her loved ones who went before her.