



Kathy Graushar

June 23, 1967 - June 27, 2013

Kathy (Kathleen) Joy Graushar of Trevor, WI passed away on June 27, 2013 at the Hospice Alliance House in Pleasant Prairie, WI from complications of breast cancer. Kathy's acceptance of this illness and her journey through it has been an inspiration to many. A synopsis of Kathy's journey has been posted on Caring Bridge.

Kathy was born in Oak Park, IL on June 23, 1967. She is preceded in death by her parents, the late Joy M. and James L. Steele and other family members.

Kathy was a member of the Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church. Special thanks to Pastor Kerry Bauman and the church community for providing continued comfort to Kathy. She was a long time employee of Cardinal Health in Waukegan IL. She previously worked at Moore Business Forms and Sears in Vernon Hills, IL.

Above all, Kathy was a loving mother. Her greatest accomplishment in life was her daughter, Kiana. Kathy enjoyed camping trips with Kiana and friends. Her illness made her a passionate fighter for a cure to breast cancer. She was a role model to many by bringing tremendous grace to everything she did. Through her illness, she was positive and always attempted to live life to the fullest. She will be remembered for her big heart, sense of humor, strength and courage. Her smile will never be forgotten.

Kathy is survived by her beautiful daughter, Kiana E. Graushar and many friends who shared the powerful gift of friendship including Amy, Jodi, Capri and families. She is further survived by her former husband, Bill Graushar, Jr. and former parents-in-law Sue and Bill Graushar and Liz and Andy Haubert. Kathy will always be remembered by her family and friends. She will be missed terribly by her pet boxer, Lando.

To all her caregivers, thank you for your gifted labor of love.

Visitation will be held on Friday, June 28, 2013 from 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Avenue (Route 83), Lake Villa, IL 60046. A funeral service will

begin at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 29, 2013 at the Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church, 43 W. Grass Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL 60046. Interment will immediately follow at the Bloomfield Cemetery, County Highway H in Pell Lake, WI 53157.

Kathy has requested that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made to an education fund for Kiana. To donate to Kiana's fund, click <http://www.gofundme.com/3exp08>

Cemetery Details

Bloomfield Cemetery

County Highway H and Deignan Road
Pell Lake, WI 53128

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 356-2146
info@ringafuneralhome.com
<https://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

Service

JUN **29**. 9:30 AM (CT)

Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church
43 W. Grass Lake Rd
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 838-0103

Tribute Wall



“ *Kathy Graushar*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Kathy Graushar*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM

BW

“ *Bill Wald lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



Bill Wald - July 07, 2013 at 01:48 AM

BW

My thoughts and sympathies to the Graushar family. I have had the pleasure of being one of her daughter's teachers for the last 6 years. Kathy always made a point to stop in and say hello during conferences and other events. She lit up when talking about Kiana and was always supportive and caring. These are traits she definitely passed on.

Bill Wald - July 07, 2013 at 02:00 AM

EM

“ *Met Kathy in the 1990's working w/her at Moore's NCSC. She was always a joy to be around and had a smile for everyone. She was a gentle soul and will not be forgotten. My deepest sympathies to her daughter, Kiana. She was so proud of you!*



Elaine Morberg - July 02, 2013 at 03:24 PM

JD

“ *Missing you so much especially our morning talks on the way to work! Love you and see you again someday my dear friend. Xoxo*



jodi davis - July 02, 2013 at 07:32 AM

JE

“ Jennifer Ehlers lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Jennifer Ehlers - June 29, 2013 at 07:44 PM

DW

“ Donna Walker lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Donna Walker - June 29, 2013 at 05:39 PM

JC

“ Joanna Callaby lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



joanna callaby - June 29, 2013 at 09:34 AM

JK

“ Judy Kabriel lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Judy Kabriel - June 29, 2013 at 07:56 AM

SG

“ Steve & Karen Good lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Steve & Karen Good - June 28, 2013 at 08:29 PM

SF

“ Stacy Foltz lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Stacy Foltz - June 28, 2013 at 03:19 PM

Trinie
Hornburg
Laplander

“ Trinie Hornburg Laplander lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Trinie Hornburg Laplander - June 28, 2013 at 02:44 PM

TF

“ The Glass Family lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



The Glass Family - June 28, 2013 at 01:38 PM

CK

“ Kathy - it was a joy & an honor to know you. God bless you eternally & keep your daughter and family in His care.
Love, Chris Karas (DMG)



Christine Karas - June 28, 2013 at 11:34 AM

CB

“ Christina Blatchford lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Christina Blatchford - June 28, 2013 at 10:50 AM

PR

“ *Peggy Ray lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



Peggy Ray - June 28, 2013 at 10:38 AM

WL

“ *Wendy Lindas lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



Wendy Lindas - June 28, 2013 at 10:33 AM

PW

“ *Paulette Williams lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



Paulette Williams - June 28, 2013 at 10:26 AM

YS

“ *Your friends at MacGray Services. purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Kathy Graushar.*



Your friends at MacGray Services. - June 28, 2013 at 10:24 AM

 Cynthia Chavarria Enriquez

“ *Love you Kathy, always will. Till we meet again doll!*



Cynthia Chavarria Enriquez - June 28, 2013 at 10:22 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathy Graushar.*



June 28, 2013 at 10:14 AM

YM

“ *So sorry to hear about Kathy. I worked with her at Moore and she was always so cheerful, patient and helpful....I loved her laugh, it was contagious.*

Yvonne

Yvonne Mirocko - June 28, 2013 at 10:12 AM

AK

“ *Alex Kremer lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



Alex Kremer - June 28, 2013 at 09:08 AM

CF

“ *Critzer Family lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



critzer family - June 28, 2013 at 08:49 AM

SH

“ *Shannon lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



shannon - June 28, 2013 at 08:44 AM

MA

“ Mandy Alvarado lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Mandy Alvarado - June 28, 2013 at 06:50 AM

TF

“ Tony Fraley lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Tony Fraley - June 28, 2013 at 12:38 AM

SG

“ Sharon Genualdi lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Sharon Genualdi - June 28, 2013 at 12:33 AM

KB

“ Kristen Besaw lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Kristen Besaw - June 27, 2013 at 11:47 PM

JS

“ Joan Stepanski lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar



Joan Stepanski - June 27, 2013 at 10:11 PM

JP

“ *John Pletz lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



John Pletz - June 27, 2013 at 09:06 PM

KN

“ *Karen Nethaway lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



karen nethaway - June 27, 2013 at 08:58 PM

AH

“ *Kathy brought more into my life than most people can imagine. First, she brought a granddaughter that lights up the world with her energy, independence and fearlessness. Kiana always makes me smile because of the way she takes hold of the world around her and in her very understated way and makes it her own. Kathy also gave me an appreciation of what it means to be brave in the face of incredible adversity. She fought a fight with the dignity and poise that few could. She made it so easy for the rest of us to endure these past few months by not being afraid to address the realities of her fate. While she never gave up the fight, she helped us face the possibilities of life without her. Thank you Kathy for being a very meaningful part of my life. You have given me gifts that will live with me forever.*

Andy Haubert

Andrew Haubert - June 27, 2013 at 08:50 PM

FR

“ *My deepest condolences to her daughter and family. Although, I did not know her well, she was loved and thought highly of by a lot of people. While her passing is sad , take comfort in knowing that she is not in pain anymore.*

Frank Romano - June 27, 2013 at 08:38 PM

AN

“ *Anonymous lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



anonymous - June 27, 2013 at 08:29 PM

NS

“ *I only became close to Kathy this past year while raising money for the Avon walk for breast cancer. Kathy's kindness and love inspired me to work my fingers to the bone crocheting hats and scarfs to fund the walk. She was so supportive and inspired me when I thought I couldn't make anymore. She brought light in my life and a smile to my heart. Just over the past year I have so many memories that make me smile today. Thank you for being one of my best friends. Even if it was for a short time, it was worth every second. I love you sweet Kathy.*

Nikki Schuerr - June 27, 2013 at 07:49 PM

CH

“ *Christine lit a candle in memory of Kathy Graushar*



Christine - June 27, 2013 at 03:25 PM

WK

“ *Kathy's smile could light up a room in an instant. It will never fade from my memory. Her journey on earth was not an easy one, but she handled each obstacle with an enormous amount of faith, grace, and courage. Heaven received a very special gift today when she arrived at those gates. I will miss her dearly. I learned so much from this amazing woman and blessed to have been able to call my friend. You are free to fly now my friend - rest in peace.*



Wendy Kruczek - June 27, 2013 at 11:29 AM

FM

“ God saw she was getting tired, and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around her and whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched her suffer, and saw her fade away. Although we loved her dearly, we could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands to rest. God broke our hearts today to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Will love and miss you always! XOXOXO

Fran McCormick

Fran McCormick - June 27, 2013 at 11:15 AM

CF

Beautifully stated

critzer family - June 28, 2013 at 08:51 AM