



Kathy Demarah

June 25, 1952 - March 21, 2009

Kathy J. Demarah, 56, of Bourbonnais, died Saturday (March 21, 2009) at home surrounded by her family. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, Bourbonnais, where she was a member. The Rev. Richard Pighini will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley, Special Olympics or Children's Cancer Research. Mrs. Demarah was a homemaker, wife and mother. She was born June 25, 1952, in Kankakee, the daughter of Robert and Ellen Larsen Goselin. She was a volunteer at Christmastime for children in need and also in the Aroma Park School District, where she had been a lunch lady. She enjoyed bowling. She loved spending time with family, especially her grandchildren, and cooking Sunday family dinners. Surviving are her husband, Don Demarah, whom she married Aug. 1, 1970, at Maternity BVM Catholic Church; one son and daughter-in-law, David and Kelsey Demarah of Bourbonnais; two daughters and one son-in-law, Carrie Demarah and Bruce Howard, Ashley and Carl Baker, all of Bourbonnais; five grandsons, Logan Brady, Declan Demarah, Noah Baker, Aidan Demarah and Brock Howard; two stepgrandchildren, Bruce Howard and Machayla Fulford; one sister-in-law, Charlene Thompson of Bradley; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Sue and Bruce Rayman of Clifton, Laurie and Mike Pelletier of Bourbonnais; and favorite cousin, Paula Bleyle of Bourbonnais. Deceased are her parents; one

brother, Robert M. Goselin; and her grandparents, Esther and Edgar Larsen. Kathy has touched so many lives. She will be missed not only by her family but by all that knew her. She was always there to lend a hand to anyone -- even a total stranger and eventually that stranger became her friend. She loved everyone no matter what. She forgave and forgot anyone that hurt her. She had such a generous spirit never asking for anything in return. So many lives will forever be changed without Kathy here with us. But she will forever be an angel watching over all of us.

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“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR MOM. I½SHE IS SUCH A WONDERFUL PERSON. I½I WILL NEVER FORGET YOUR MOM'S BEAUTIFUL SMILE AND HER GREAT PERSONALITY. I½I LOVE YOU ALL. I½SHE WAS SUCH A GREAT PERSON THAT EVERYONE WILL MISS.

LOVE,

CRYSTAL AND BRYNNA BRADY

##imported-begin##CRYSTAL BRADY##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kathy's loved ones. Such a great lady that left us way too early. Remember the good times and keep those family traditions alive.##imported-begin##Bobby Nichols##imported-end##

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“ Kathy was such a wonderful influence in my life. Her selfless attitude, her accepting and warm personality made it easy for anyone to feel welcome around her. I am blessed to have known her for over 35 years and no matter what I could always count on her being there for me if I ever needed her. I was lucky enough to tell her I loved her prior to her passing away and that is something that will ease some of the pain. To Don... Thank you for loving her so much and taking such good care of her . You are an amazing person to handle what you have been thru. Thank you both for allowing me to feel like part of your family. ##imported-begin##Michael Bigler##imported-end##

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“ Last night was a true tribute to a very special lady. Just to see all of those who waited for hours to pay respect to her was amazing. The lives this wonderful woman touched and will continue to touch through her family. She would have been so proud of each and every one of you last night. I know that she was smiling. God be with all of you while you learn to go on without her physical presence. She is with you in your hearts. Love and God's Blessings to you all, Terri##imported-begin##Terri Bernicky##imported-end##

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“ Dear Friends,

We are so sad to hear about your great loss. We are thankful for the years that we spent as neighbors and can't imagine the Hilltop block without Kathy. She was always willing to help and was a loving and caring friend and neighbor. We are deeply sorry.##imported-begin##Bob, Karen, Bobby, Jill and Ben Anderson##imported-end##

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“ ARE THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU IN THIS TIME OF SORROW.##imported-begin##DENNIS & KAREN
ĩ¿½CORLETT##imported-end##

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“ Hey Kathy,

It's me Rylee!!!!!!!!!!!!

I was the one who would text you at Red LOBSTER!

I love u so, so much! ĩ¿½I miss u always texting me. ĩ¿½ĩ¿½Send me back a sign from heaven so I know your getting my mesages.

I love u, Kathy!##imported-begin##Rylee##imported-end##

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“ Yes, you were my sister

this is very true

But i also found my best friend;

Tucked inside of you

I'll cherish the times we had together

I'll miss you and i hate being apart

You will always be forever in my heart

All the memories i have of us;

will foreever be a part of me

They're tucked inside my heart and mind;

Where no one else can see

you'll always be a part of my life;

a part on one can touch

all because God made us sisters;

and i will always love you very much

Kathy, i will miss all the fun we all had. ĩ½The food fights, the great family parties. the shopping trips to Alsip and Hobby Lobby and the times you and Erik tried to out do each other like when he hid in a box with a whip cream pie because he knew you couldn't resist seeing what was inside. ĩ½Thank you Don. ĩ½Laurie is right you are our brother and always will be. ĩ½Dave, Carrie, and Ashley. I love you guys and will always be here for you no matter what. ĩ½Kathy and Don are very blessed to have you as their children. ĩ½Kathy, I love you and miss you so much but I know your with Mom, Dad, and Bobby and that Kevin is with his favorite aunt and that we will someday all be together again. ĩ½PS: ĩ½Please give Kenny a kiss for me too!###imported-begin##Sue##imported-end##

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“ Don & Family,

I am so sorry for your loss of Kathy. She was a good friend and I know a very loving wife, mother and grandmother. I hope all of your wonderful memories of her can bring you through this time of sadness. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss seeing her at garage sales!###imported-begin##Chris Vaughn##imported-end##

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“ don i am so sorry for your loss.Kathy meant so much to me i loved her so much she was like a second grandmother to me.

Even though she is gone i will always have room for her in my heart. i will always remember the times we had together. She will be greatly missed by me. I understand what you are going through.I hope you now that kathy wont always be there in person but always in your heart. love you forever and alway Jordan hawkins paulas granddaughter just in case yu forgot###imported-begin##Jordan Hawkins###imported-end##

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“ Don and family,

We are so sorry for your loss of Kathy. We keep you in our prayers and trust God to give you strength in the difficult times. This is the time to lean on your friends.

We love ya,

Paul and Diana###imported-begin##Paul & Diana Armstrong###imported-end##

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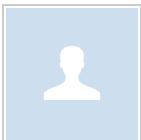
“ Don,

So sorry to hear of the loss of your wife Kathy. Our prayers are with you through this difficult time.

Ron & Sandy

###imported-begin##Ron & i½Sandy Wilkins###imported-end##

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“ Your in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless###imported-begin##Dawn Ryan and Blake Applegate###imported-end##

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“ Kathy was like a sister to me. Whenever we got together, or even just talked on the phone we just had a good time. Im sure gonna miss her. I prayed for a miracle cure for her daily, but I guess the Lord had other plans for her. I don't understand that, but who am I to question the Almighty? I know she's in a better place, no more headaches and she's been united with her parents and Bobby. I loved my friend so much. What'll we do without her?

Dar and Jerry

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“ "Another little flower for Gods heaven."

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the whole Demarah Family.

Brian Haller (Aerus_Electrolux)

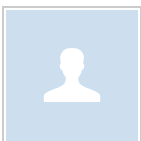
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“ our prayers are with you and your family.

Debbie & Rob Raines

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“ Kathy was the sweetest neighbor the whole time I lived by her.
½ Our backyards joined and I would see her out playing with her dog every day.
½ She always had a smile and kind words to say.
½ I loved talking with her because she made it so easy to have conversation!
½ As a newcomer to Illinois, she was my first neighbor who came over and visited.
½ I have many wonderful memories of her!

Sheila Gagnon

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“ Don, David, Carrie, Ashley and families,

My deepest sympathy to all of you. I am so sorry I wasn't able to make it back to offer my condolences and pay tribute to your wonderful wife/mother in person. Kathy was one of a kind, a friend to all. I will never forget how she stepped in and watched over Michael and I after our mom passed away. She was the kindest soul that I have ever known, and she will be missed by all who's lives she ever touched. To know her was to love her. My heart aches for your loss.

Dawn##imported-begin##Dawn (Bigler) McKenzie##imported-end##

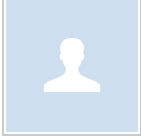
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“ Kathy was my sister, and I don't know how I will make it without her. She had such a wonderful impact on my life. we would talk everyday, go shopping and to garage sales, and so many other things. I miss her so very much it hurts.

To Don: thank you for taking such good care of Kathy. You have always been like a brother to me, and I am so proud of you and all you did to help her. Thank you Charlene for all your help. you were great through Kathy's illness, and I don't know what she would have done without the both of you. Carrie, Dave and Ashley: I love you guys and I will always be here for you. And yes, It was an awesome tribute to Kathy just to see how many friends she had, and how many people loved her. I feel blessed to have had such a caring and giving person as my sister. I love you Kathy and miss you very much.##imported-begin##Laurie Pelletier##imported-end##

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“ Don and family,

I am so sorry to hear about Kathy. I truly hold the days of softball together, close to our hearts. I saw her around town every where. Always smiling! You couldn't of had a better wife and mother. She was special. I will miss seeing her.##imported-begin##Domzalski Family##imported-end##

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“ I've known Kathy for the past 5 years. She was a regular customer at my work and became a great friend. I'm so sad to know that she's gone. My thoughts and prayers are with her family/friends. She has touched countless lives and will always be remembered!##imported-begin##Jessica G##imported-end##

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“ Words cannot express our sympathies enough. Our heart aches for you as you go through this difficult time. We will say a prayer for all of you. I hope the undying love Kathy had for all of you keeps her memory alive in your hearts. She is not gone, she is only in peace. For everyday the sun shines there will be a piece of her gleaming down upon you.

My sincerest love and prayers to all of you.

##imported-begin##Brian & April Fox##imported-end##

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“ Don and family,

We are so sorry for the loss of Kathy. She was a dear friend and wonderful person. She will be missed greatly. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.

Love

Bob and Roberta###imported-begin###Bob and Roberta Dorsey###imported-end##

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“ Sorry to hear about your loss. Our prayers are with you at this time.###imported-begin###stephen j siemsen###imported-end##

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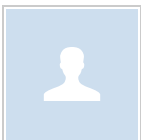
“ So sorry to hear of your loss..###imported-begin###Mickey Doud###imported-end##

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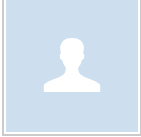
“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to Don and his family.###imported-begin###PRECISION AUTO CRAFTERS###imported-end##

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“ Deepest sympathy to all the family. God will see you through.###imported-begin###Jon Pearion###imported-end##

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“ Kathy was a wonderful person. i½Our whole family (Ward, Borvan and Mallindine) will miss her very much. i½We will miss her driving down the street 10 times and waving everytime.

Our prayers are with the family.

##imported-begin##Michelle Borvan##imported-end##

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“ Don and family,

My heart aches for you. i½I'm sorry for your loss. i½Put your trust in God, and put your heart in his hands.

Jesus said, "I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your paid will turn to joy." i½John 16:20

May your faith carry you through this sorrowful time.

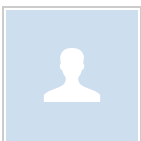
God Bless you all.##imported-begin##Pam McClanahan##imported-end##

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“ Our sincere sympathy to you Don and your family. i½God Bless,##imported-begin##Don McCarty##imported-end##

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this very difficult time. i½You have my deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Greg St. Louis##imported-end##

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“ *ANGELS AMONG US*
 Kathy and I spent alot of time together growing up, I always saw something special in her. I couldn't quite figure out what it was until we were older. As we got older we grew closer, sharing many of our secrets. It was then that I realized she was an Angel. Sometimes words didn't count but her actions spoke louder than her words. Being anywhere she was with me she was anyone she could. Never being judgemental, and never expecting anything from me.
 Most of us think we have to go to heaven to see our Angels, but I have been blessed to have one in my life for 56 years.
 Kathy you are My Cousin, My Friend and My sister. I never stop missing you.
 You
 Paula Bleye

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“ *Time passes too quickly! If only we could have one more day! But how beautiful the reunion in Heaven must be between your Mom and Grandparents and Bobby! You all did such a wonderful job taking care of her and she was so very proud of you all! God Bless you all during this time! Love,*
 Tami

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“ *We are so sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. Our deepest condolences. She was always very kind and a genuine pleasure to be around.*
 Kevin and Jennifer Goselin

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“ We are so sorry for you loss. i;½We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jim & Sue Goodrich##imported-end##

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Jenn Farley-Schoon##imported-end##

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“ Just want you to know that we are praying for the Demarah family!

Love, Mark,Misti,Gianna,Calvin Kohl##imported-begin##Mark Kohl##imported-end##

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“ Kathy was always such a nice lady. I knew her from my parents. Whenever we saw eachother around town, she always had something sweet to say, and I remember how friendly she always was. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Natalie Seaton##imported-end##

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“ To all of the Demarah Family,

Kathy and I have been friends since highschool. Through the years we have bowled in the same leagues, our children have went to school together and were friends also. Heartfelt condolences go out to all of you. Kathy was truly loved by many.##imported-begin##Marianne Burkhalter##imported-end##

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“ I'M SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. KATHY WAS SUCH A WONDERFUL PERSON. SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY EVERYONE. TELL LOGAN WE SAID HELLO AND WE ARE THINKING OF HIM.OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH EVERYONE.##imported-begin##DAVE AND RITA LERIGER##imported-end##

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“ We are sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. i ½Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Melvin & Madeleine Elliott##imported-begin##Melvin & Madeleine Elliott##imported-end##

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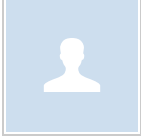


“ Don and Family:

We are very sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. i ½Our prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.

Jim, Barb, Hannah, and Carly##imported-begin##Jim and Barb Bilgri##imported-end##

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“ My prayers are with you and your family,

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 i ½i ½i ½-Mike##imported-begin##Mike Randolph
i ½(Servpro)##imported-end##

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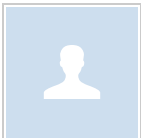
“ Deepest sympathy goes out to ashley and her family. God Bless
your family##imported-begin##kenita morris##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Bill Jones##imported-end##

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“ I just wanted to let all the family know that my thoughts and prayers
are with you all. Kathy was suck and AWSOME woman! I will
always remember her smile and positive attitude! I don't think I ever
saw her without a smile on her face! She will be greatly missed.

All my love and prayers,

Jessica##imported-begin##Jessica LaBon##imported-end##

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“ sorry to hear of your loss Don##imported-begin##Jim
Harrison##imported-end##

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“ Kathy, you were an awesome person, not many people could ever compare to the kind of person that you were. You have a big heart and could always make people smile, you will be sadly missed from everybody that ever knew you. With all our love, Rob Pauline Devin and Bo Morris##imported-begin##Pauline M i ½Morris##imported-end##

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“ We were so saddened to hear about your loss... Kathy's been in our prayers for well over a year and now we will continue the strength of that prayer for your family's healing during this difficult time. Kathy really was a wonderful, HILARIOUS, caring and SELFLESS person... Even though I hadn't seen her in a while, Austin really enjoyed coming to see her a few months ago with Charlene. We will miss her.##imported-begin##Tiffany Kruse##imported-end##

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“ Our very deepest sypathies to your family on your loss. i ½Our thought and prayers willb with you.##imported-begin##Don and Alice Anderson##imported-end##

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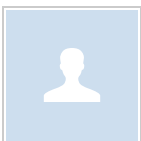
“ I do not even know where to begin. I had the pleasure of living across the street from Kathy for 20 over years of my life. She did so much for me over that time...brought me to school, sent emails while I was at college giving me all of the gossip, called on my birthday, let me borrow the spare key whenever I locked myself out, donated to whatever fundraiser we were doing at school....she was the best neighbor and friend my family could have ever asked for. She did so much and never expected ANYTHING in return. All of our relatives live over 2 hours away, yet Kathy was like family. Her door was ALWAYS open. She fought as hard as she could this past year and did it all with a positive attitude...cracking jokes the whole way. Our neighborhood will never be the same. When I think of her, I will always picture her running around the house with her nails freshly painted, Starbucks in one hand, and her scanner in the other. I will miss her so much.##imported-begin##Kaylee Gamble##imported-end##

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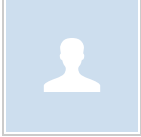
“ So sorry to hear about Kathy, Please give my love to all.##imported-begin##Patty Owens##imported-end##

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“ I knew her such a short time. Yet, she did touch my life in a way that I too will be forever changed. As a survivor, I pray for the fight and courage that she displayed. What a wonderful family she has....Char and Don and kids took great care of her! I know she is in Heaven.....where there is no more pain and only eternal peace. GOD bless your entire family.##imported-begin##Di LeBran##imported-end##

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“ We are grateful to have met Kathy and her wonderful family. She was truly an inspiration to our staff and patients. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and we are always here if you need us.##imported-begin##Manor Care of Kankakee##imported-end##

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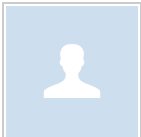
“ Demarah Family, Sorry I could not make it back. Remember that you are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Scott Pepin##imported-end##

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“ Carrie, you and your family have my heartfelt sympathy's durring this difficult time. i ½May God bless you and comfort you. i ½You will be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Sean i ½Schreffler##imported-end##

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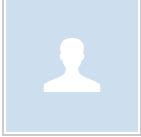
“ Our sincere condolences to you and your family. I was so sad to hear of i ½Kathys passing. i ½She was such a wonderful person. She will be missed. i ½

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May Our Lord comfort you in your loss. With deepest sympathy,

 i ½i ½i ½i ½Buddy & Darcy Drummer

##imported-begin##Darcy Drummer##imported-end##

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“ The Demarah Family,
Sorry for your lose. Kathy was like my second mom. She was a great person and she will be greatly missed. She would always listen to me and tell me the truth whether I liked it or not. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

##imported-begin##Greg Ward##imported-end##

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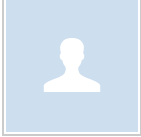
“ We will always remember Kathy as fun loving and willing to help.
½When we needed someone to watch Ryan she was willing to lend a hand. ½She was a very funny lady and good bowler. The best memory will be her wearing shorts almost all year round.
½½We will miss her smile and loving heart but know she is in a better place and God just needed some humor and warmth in heaven.##imported-begin##Jim and Kathy Keener##imported-end##

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“ Kathy was a wonderful person & will always be remembered as loving & caring to everyone she encountered. ½I hope that God gives you all peace during this difficult time. ½Know she is in a better place with no suffering and she will live on in your hearts.
½God Bless you all.##imported-begin##Dawn Akerman##imported-end##

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“ Don, David, Carrie, Ashley and their families. We are sending our sympathy to all of you. May God comfort you at this time. Kathy was such a loving person to our family and will be missed by everyone of us.##imported-begin##Jenny (Pieritz) Langellier##imported-end##

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“ I am sorry to hear about Kathy's passing. She was a wonderful woman and you are all so blessed to have had so many cherished years with her. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

Britta, Jeff, Jori and Benjamin##imported-begin##Britta Dionne##imported-end##

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