



Mary "Kathy" Monahan

June 5, 1944 - September 27, 2014

Mary "Kathy" Monahan, 70, of Kankakee, passed away Saturday (Sept. 27, 2014) at Presence St. Mary's Hospital.

Kathy was born June 5, 1944, the daughter of A.M. "Bud" and Maria Teresa O'Loughlin Monahan.

She is a graduate of Illinois State University. A teacher, she retired from St. George Grade School, and had also taught at St. Patrick and St. Teresa Grade School in Kankakee, and Christ the King School in Springfield. Kathy enjoyed traveling, reading and watching sports.

Ms. Monahan is survived by three brothers and sisters-in-law, Mike and Jeanne Monahan, of Bourbonnais, Ed and Ernie Monahan, of Normal, Jim and Mary Monahan, of Springfield; five nieces and nephews, Erin (Dave) Stauffer, Brian (Jan) Monahan, Patrick (Susan) Monahan, Staci (Matt) Funk, Kevin (Gloria) Monahan; eight great-nieces and great-nephews; one aunt, Sister Mark O'Loughlin O.P., of Sinsinawa, Wis.

Preceding her in death were her parents; and one sister, Patty Monahan.

Memorial visitation will be from 9 a.m. Saturday until the 10 a.m. funeral Mass at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee. Inurnment will follow in Mount

Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee. Memorials may be made to Catholic Charities.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

OCT 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church
428 S. Indiana
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-6716

Visitation

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ Ms. Monahan was my teacher when I was a student at St. George in the 1990s. She will always be remembered as my favorite teacher. She challenged us in ways that no other teacher did. She was such a wonderful woman, who loved and cared about her kids.

I am just now finding out that she passed. I hoped to have found her to reconnect again. My heart goes out to her family and friends, and her forever students. ❤️

Danel Berg - October 09, 2021 at 04:07 AM

SD

“ I was a classmate of Kathy's at Mt. St. Mary's Academy in St. Charles, and she lived with me for a short time in Rochester, N. Y. We had some wonderful times. She had such a neat sense of humor. I remember one time I was on my "high horse" about something and she very nonchalantly called me God Junior..I'll never forget that..and I'll never forget her. She was such a kind caring person. I'm a little envious of her students, I would have loved being in her classroom.

My sympathies to her family. I wish I could have seen you in person to talk about Kathy. I'm so glad that we had a chance to reconnect this past year. I will miss her.

Sharon (Honeyman) Davern

Sharon Honeyman Davern - October 24, 2014 at 03:23 PM

RS

“ I was a student of Ms. Monahan's at St. George in the early 1990s. She was funny, warm, and made all of us feel like one of her children. She would break out snacks during math class to lighten things up and was always happy to stay after class if you were having trouble. Our class loved to jump out and scare her when she entered the classroom and she would make such a funny show of being shocked, throwing up her hands and clutching her heart, then laughing and shaking her finger at us. We loved to tease her about her drawing skills, I'll never forget how hard we all laughed when she tried to draw the United States and it looked like a warped, deflated basketball. She took everything with a wonderful sense of humor and understanding. I will never forget her, she was the best teacher I ever had. My thoughts are with her family.

Rebecca Balber (formerly Shimanek) - October 03, 2014 at 10:52 AM

 Jill Roberts

“ Ms. Monahan was my teacher in grade school. The best teacher I've ever had. I remember when she would put her glasses on top of her head to read something. It became a joke when I was in class with her and wherever she would do that even she would laugh. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family.

Jill Roberts - October 02, 2014 at 10:10 PM

MW

“ Ms. Monahan taught both of our children while at St. George. She was truly an inspiration for them and encouraged them in their educational endeavors. All our sympathy to her family. Mark & Michele Walsh

michele Walsh - September 30, 2014 at 08:51 PM