



Kathy Bird

June 24, 1959 - September 13, 2023

Kathryn Jane Bird, 64, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, friend and free spirit, passed away after a long struggle with cancer on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at her home in Lexington, MO.

She was born in Warrensburg, MO on June 24, 1959. She graduated from Lafayette County C-1 High School in 1977. Kathy spent her working days with local hardware stores in retail service. She spent her free time loving life and everyone she met with her whole heart. Kathy will be greatly missed by all those that loved her.

Preceded in death by her beloved parents, Marvin (Danny) and Helen Bird. She leaves to mourn her companion, Darryl Darnell of the home; two sons, Greighton (Tabitha) Short of Lake St. Louis, MO, Graham (Amanda) Padley of Higginsville, MO; daughter, Megan Short (Brodie Leap); six grandchildren, Regan Wood, Gabriel Short, Owen Wood, Rhett Thompson, Kennedy Short, and Adeline Leap; and one brother, Douglas (Teresa) Bird of Greenwood, MO. The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Sunday, September 17, 2023, at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, 1600 Main St. Higginsville, Missouri.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, September 18, 2023 at Salem United Church of Christ located at 1500 N. Main St. Higginsville, Missouri 64037. Casket Bearers: Kendall Rinne, Roger Rinne, Jeff Shier, Jerry Shier, Owen Wood, Gabriel Short, Chase Gilmore. Kathy will be cremated after the funeral service per her wishes. Memorial contributions may be made

out to Lafayette County Cancer Coalition or Higginsville C-1 Athletic Club.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **17**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, Inc.
1600 Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
1-660-584-3400
hoeferfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.stewarthoeferfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

SEP **18**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

Salem United Church of Christ
1500 N Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
salemucc@ctcis.net
<http://www.salemucchigginsville.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Kathy Bird*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Kathy Bird*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Kathy Bird*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *Sherry Elmore lit a candle in memory of Kathy Bird*



Sherry Elmore - September 27, 2023 at 02:16 PM



“ *Kathy was a beautiful woman, full of love and compassion. I always enjoyed any time we shared just talking when we ran into each other. I always saw her beautiful smile even in crowd. She will be missed by all who loved her. My condolences to the family. Denice Haynes*

Denice Haynes - September 22, 2023 at 12:08 PM

MM

“ I have many great memories of Kathy from younger years. From detasseling corn to getting my ears pierced; we always laughed and had so much fun.

What a wonderful person and loving friend. She was always glad to see you and would greet you with her beautiful smile.

My deepest sympathy to all who loved her.

Marsha (Kessler) Musgrave and Eddie Musgrave

Marsha Musgrave - September 17, 2023 at 07:20 PM

BW

“ Brenda J Wright lit a candle in memory of Kathy Bird



Brenda J Wright - September 17, 2023 at 06:56 PM

BW

“ I had the great pleasure to work with Kathy and her mom, Helen at Lake City. Kathy always had a way of making hard work fun! Always a smile on her face and a giggle under her breath. Sending my sincere sympathies to all of her family and friends. She will be forever missed.

Sincerely, Brenda Wright

Brenda J Wright - September 17, 2023 at 06:55 PM

EW

“ Deepest sympathy for Kathy's family. Hugs!

Evelyn Wood - September 15, 2023 at 09:14 PM

DW

“ Deepest sympathy for Kathy's family. I had the pleasure of working with her at True Value. She was a great help when I started and I learned a lot from her.

Diane Williams - September 15, 2023 at 04:26 PM

JB

“ Extending our deepest sympathy for your loss.

janice bertx - September 15, 2023 at 04:04 PM

TS

“ Kathy was a good friend and I will cherish all the memories we shared growing up. She was beautiful, energetic, and always smiling or laughing. Sending lots of love and prayers to her family, may you find comfort knowing she is always with you in spirit.

Chris White Scott & Terry Scott

terry scott - September 15, 2023 at 02:38 PM

LF

“ Love, Your Middle School Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathy Bird.

Love, Your Middle School Family - September 15, 2023 at 12:33 PM

LF

“ Love, Your Middle School Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Kathy Bird.



Love, Your Middle School Family - September 15, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathy Bird.

September 15, 2023 at 12:20 PM



“ Hickory Farms Savory and Sweet Snacker Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Kathy Bird.



September 15, 2023 at 12:20 PM

CM

“ Kathy had the most infectious laugh and was one of the sweetest souls I've ever met. She was always so much fun! The courage with which she faced her illness was both remarkable and inspiring. I am truly sorry for your loss. Holding you all in my heart.

Chamayn Middleton - September 15, 2023 at 12:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathy Bird.

September 15, 2023 at 11:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Kathy Bird.



September 15, 2023 at 11:20 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss! Kathy was a wonderful person! Stacey Bloomer*

Stacey Bloomer - September 15, 2023 at 10:12 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Kathy Bird.



September 15, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathy Bird.

September 15, 2023 at 08:31 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kathy Bird.*



September 15, 2023 at 08:31 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kathy Bird.*



September 14, 2023 at 09:02 PM



“ *I think I met Kathy back in 1977 and my first impression was she had the longest most beautiful eyelashes!! She also had a genuine smile that Cancer couldn't take away from her. Hugs & prayers to her family.*

Peggy Kappelman - September 14, 2023 at 08:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kathy Bird.*



September 14, 2023 at 03:27 PM