



Kathleen Martin Raes

December 15, 1946 - March 28, 2021

RAES, Kathleen "Kate". March 28, 2021. Age 74. Beloved wife of the late Eric. Loving mother of Christopher (Christine) Raymond, and Kevin (Julie) Raymond. Proud and adored grandmother of Jackson, Jack, Emily, Andrew, and Kyle. Cherished sister of Patricia Martin. Predeceased by her parents, Harry and Helen Martin, and sisters, Jean Komarnicki, and Joan Koper. She will be missed by her faithful furry companion, Bridget. Memorial contributions in Kate's name are greatly appreciated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Please share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" at WujekCalcaterra.com

"Why do birds suddenly appear
Every time you are near?
Just like me, they long to be
Close to you"

"If I had a tale that I could tell you
I'd tell a tale sure to make you smile
If I had a wish that I could wish for you
I'd make a wish for sunshine for all the while"

Tribute Wall

SP

“ Miss Kate as I knew her in her later years was a friend, firecracker, neighbor, and more to me and my family. I loved her spirit and kindness and she helped make Detroit a memorable place. Rest In Peace my friend and my condolences to your family and all else who loved you. You will be missed. -Sam

Sam P. - May 15, 2022 at 02:38 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Kathleen Martin Raes.



March 31, 2021 at 04:15 PM

MJ

“ Kathy and I met in grade school at St. Louis the King in Detroit, where we graduated together in 1960. We both continued on to St. Florian High School in Hamtramck, where we both graduated in 1964. Life moved on for both of us after that and we only saw each other at our various St. Florian class reunions after that. Kathy and I co-organized our 50th reunion in 2014 and our 55th reunion in 2019. My wife and I had dinner with her at her home before the last reunion, where we finalized plans for the event. Though her health was deteriorating at that time, she still maintained her positive attitude on life. We still continued to communicate by email and phone calls, the most recent being a phone call early this winter. My wife (who just met Kathy during our reunion work and became friends and computer game players) and I will miss her greatly.

Mike Jablonski

Mike Jablonski - March 30, 2021 at 01:29 PM



“ Kate loved playing cards ~ Pinochle was her specialty. We looked forward to our Pinochle afternoons. When her hands became too shaky & cards would fall, she became a pro at using the "grabber" to carefully pick them off the floor. Am going to miss our Pinochle afternoons & miss you the most Kate. Am also going to miss our discussions about the wonderful grandson we share ~ Jack. I remember the first time Jack rode in your two~door convertible with the top down he took a couple of jumps, put his hand on the car & hopped in the back. We all laughed & laughed our way to lunch. Always remember the good times.

Betty Murphy - March 29, 2021 at 05:10 PM

MC

Kathy and I went to high school together at St. Florian in Hamtramck. She was closer with my good friend, Marilyn Jankowski after high school. But, we reconnected when Marilyn was going through her struggles with breast cancer. After Marilyn's passing in early 2007, we stayed in touch and grew closer over the years. We would go out to lunch a couple of times a year and played scrabble on line. I guess you could say it was because of Kathy that John and I started dating and eventually married in 2015. It was that 50th class reunion that I didn't want to go to. She kept insisting that I should go because it might be the last time some of us would ever be together again. Well not only did I go then, but also with John to the 55th. I am so sorry we had not gotten together this terrible year of COVID. We had been in touch and I knew she was getting weaker because she declined our offer to take her to our classmate Bill's funeral mass. God bless, Kathy. Rest In Peace
You are now free and no longer in pain. Love you,
Margie Smolarek Czelada

Margaret VanAmejde Czelada - March 30, 2021 at 10:01 PM

AK

Kathy and I went to St. Florian in Hamtramck. So many happy memories of our high school years. I was glad to see her at our 50th and 55th year class reunion and enjoyed talking and catching up with her.

Alice (Trombka) Kowalski - March 31, 2021 at 08:57 AM

HC

Kathy and I went to St. Florian Hight School. She was friendly and kind always help in organizing our Class Reunion. God Bless You Kathy may you rest in peace! Helen Catron

helen catron - March 31, 2021 at 12:02 PM

CA

Ms Kate was my next door neighbor and friend for many years. She was like a grandma to my boys. Rest In Peace Ms Kate, you'll be missed.

carla - April 20, 2021 at 07:35 PM

LG

*I lived next door to Kathy in Detroit for many years. We reconnected a few year ago. What a compassionate and wise woman she was! My husband and I are so sad to hear of her passing. We just learned of it yesterday. Jerry and Linda Geise
(Linda Henning)*

Linda Geise - April 25, 2021 at 04:22 AM