



Catherine K. Alquist

January 3, 2015

Catherine K. Alquist passed away peacefully on January 3, 2015 at Hartford Hospital surrounded by her loving children. Cathy was born November 24, 1942 to Katherine and James A. Keating, Jr. Cathy graduated from Bloomfield High School and attended the University of Hartford. She worked at Laurel School, CG/CIGNA and The Travelers before retiring. Family was always most important to Cathy, who was always active in her children's lives. She spent countless hours cheering from the sidelines for both her children and her grandchildren's musical, theatrical and sporting events. A member of the Outreach Committee, Cathy was active in the Church of St. Timothy's drives for coats, school supplies and food. A greeter at the church as well, Cathy was a welcoming face to old and new parishioners. Cathy is survived by her children, Jeffrey and Elizabeth Alquist, Michael and Patricia Alquist, and Catherine and Martin Bernoski; sister Margaret and Thomas Talbot; grandchildren Janet, Meghan and Carolyn Alquist, Ronan, Antonia and Emilia Alquist, Brigid Bernoski; niece Amy and Adam Hughes; grand niece Holly Hughes; nephew James A. Keating IV; sister-in-law Charlene Trudel; and many cousins and friends. Cathy was predeceased by her parents and her brother James A. Keating III. The family would like to thank the caregivers at the Hebrew Home and Hartford Hospital, and especially the team at the Helen and Harry Gray Cancer Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday January 8, 2015 at 10:00 a.m at the Church of St. Timothy 1116 North Main St., West Hartford. Burial will follow at Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours will be held on Wednesday January 7 from 4-7 p.m at the Church of St. Timothy. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the New England Center for Children, 33 Turnpike Road, Southborough, Mass., 01772. Also, please consider donating a unit of blood in Cathy's memory. Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, West Hartford has care of arrangements. For online condolences and directions please visit www.taylorandmodeen.com

Comments



“ We were with Cathy, in the class of 1960, at Bloomfield High, and were hoping she would be at our 55th reunion in June. As we now live in Ohio, we had no idea she had been ill. Please accept our sympathy as you deal with your loss. Cathy was one of our nicest classmates. Greta Pierce Rich and Doug Turnbull

A friend - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincere condolences to the family for the loss of your loved one. May prayers strengthen you and memories comfort you, and may our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father, who loves us, comfort your hearts and "make you firm". (2 Thessalonians 2:16, 17)

Saj - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Linda Hirning - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear of your loss. She was a remarkable woman and will be missed by all that had the pleasure of knowing her.

My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

My deepest sympathy,
Lynn Ragali

Lynn Ragali - CT - co-worker - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear of Cathy's passing. I worked with Cathy at Travelers and enjoyed her candidness and wonderful sense of humor. She will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Kim Herche - Sykesville, MD - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My first memory of Cathy was at a St Timothy's Ministry Fair several years ago. Cathy wanted to become more involved in the parish and she signed up for "The Outreach Committee". She became one of the committees MOST COMMITTED Volunteers. Cathy participated in everything and was a HUGE HELP with many of the drives. Kate and Bridgette used to help out too! Cathy and I used to deliver coats and school supplies and food all over the north end of Hartford! Cathy knew her way around! She showed me so many shortcuts and really was the BEST NAVIGATOR!! She became a good friend and I will miss her very much. She was a wonderful woman, a generous soul, and a fabulous grandmother. How she loved to talk about "the kids". She loved her kids and grandkids very, very much... that came through loud and clear. My condolences to all of the children and grandchildren, sisters, brothers, cousins and friends of this lovely lady. May Cathy rest in peace and joy in the heavenly kingdom - a reward richly deserved.

Maureen Brouillard - Avon, CT - Friend - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Extending my Deepest Sympathy with Love and Prayers, to the entire Family.

Marcia Vallecorsa - Monaca, PA - Friend - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincere condolences to Cathy's family. She was fierce in her devotion to her children; you were her world. It is a devastating loss. She is gone too soon and will be greatly missed.

Donna Taylor - Glastonbury, CT - Friend - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Our family has many memories of our childhood days. The good times when we were all together. To this day I remember my Dad and Mom special bond they had for your Mom.

Sorry for your loss,
Fran, Kevin & Beve

Beverly Ruggiero - Berlin, CT - Cousin - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Our sincerest condolences to the Alquist and Bernoski families on the passing of Cathy. What a lovely and generous woman your mom was, we were honored to know her. Sending our love and prayers during this difficult time to you all. ~ The Giordano Family

Adria and David Giordano - West Hartford, CT - friends - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM