



Katherine Marie McNamee

May 9, 1943 - April 16, 2017

Katherine Marie McNamee (nee Watson), of Aurora, IL, formerly of St. Louis, MO died peacefully Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017 surrounded by her loved ones. She was born May 9, 1943 in St. Paul, MN.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, OJ, three daughters, Erin (Marty) Lyle, Shannon Stevens and Regan (Sean) Barrett; her son, JP (Cynthia) McNamee; her grandchildren, Michael (Selina) Lyle, Doug (Jen) Lyle and Brett Lyle; Eddie Catich, Alec, Michael and Johnny Stevens; Ryan, Brennan, Caleb and Dan Barrett; and Declan and Fiona McNamee; and many nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her brother, Kirk (Debbie) Watson, and her sister, Elizabeth (Cole) Ostrander :)

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jack and Helen Watson, and her siblings, Barbara Snyder, John Watson and Mary Williams.

Kathi grew up in St. Louis, MO and graduated from Xavier High School, Class of 1961. She was united in holy matrimony to OJ McNamee on May 30, 1964 in St. Louis, and moved to Aurora in 1969. She was an avid reader, knitter and sun goddess; and was a phenomenal storyteller. Kathi was a daycare provider for many years, and loved each and every one of her daycare kids as her own.

She was a member of Holy Angels Parish in Aurora, IL and Holy Spirit Parish in Mims, FL, and had a great devotion to the Blessed Mother; spending many hours in prayer at Adoration. Kathi brought countless hours of laughter and love into many lives, and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

A memorial mass will be offered on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 10:00 am at Holy Angels Church, 180 S Russell Ave, Aurora, IL 60506 ; (630) 897-1194. Fr. Michael Lavin will officiate. Inurnment will be in St. Louis, MO., preceded by a memorial mass there as well, sometime in May.

Memorial visitation will be Monday, April 24, 2017 at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora, IL. 60506, from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Kathi's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Please remember to sign the online guest book or leave condolences for her family.

May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rain fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR **24**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary
220 N. Lake Street
Aurora, IL 60506
(630) 631-5500
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

Memorial Mass

APR **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Angels Church
120 South Lancaster Avenue
Aurora, IL 60506

Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Katherine Marie McNamee



Daleiden Mortuary - April 19, 2017 at 04:13 PM

GR

“ Every Easter I remember and feel blessed that I talked to Kath that day. Also whenever we go to Stefanino's for pizza we sit in “our” booth and reminisce. Miss you!!

gretchen - March 25, 2024 at 07:00 AM

BK

“ Sincere sympathy and thoughts on loss of Kathi. Her life was full of love and sharing a beautiful family. O.J., may you have peace in memories of life you shared with Kathi. Sincerely, Bud and JoAnn Klipsch.

bud and joann klipsch - May 13, 2017 at 08:21 PM

MD

“ Erin & family,

I always remember your mom with a big smile on her face. I have many fun memories from hanging out at your house. Peace & love to you in this time of sorrow. Keeping you & your mom in our prayers.

Love, Martha Ryan Dorfler

Martha Dorfler - April 24, 2017 at 09:16 PM

MR

“ Dear McNamee Family.

My prayers and special prayers are with you at this time of sorrow.

*In peace,
Margaret Ryan*

Margaret Ryan - April 24, 2017 at 11:23 AM

BB

“ Brenda Buschbacher lit a candle in memory of Katherine Marie McNamee



Brenda Buschbacher - April 24, 2017 at 11:18 AM

MR

“ Margaret Ryan lit a candle in memory of Katherine Marie McNamee



Margaret Ryan - April 24, 2017 at 11:17 AM

JB

“ Our heart goes out to the McNamee family. Good memories will last forever.

Joan & Paul Baxendale - April 23, 2017 at 03:58 PM

KP

“ I can barely believe my eyes...it is a sad day for Kathi's family and for all the lives that she touched as she passed thru this world, always with a smile and a laugh for all she met! She will be greatly missed and I am so very sure that Jesus met her with the angels at the gates of Heaven! We are so very sorry to hear of your loss and will be praying for peace and strength for you JP! Much Love, Kathy and David Pratto

Kathy Pratto - April 22, 2017 at 01:51 AM

JB

“ Dear McNamee family,
I hung out with J.P. quite a bit throughout high school. I usually had to bug him for a ride somewhere. My memory of your mother was that she was extremely witty and extraordinarily nice to me every time I stepped into her home. She always went out of her way to make me feel welcomed, and tried to find out what exactly we were up to. I'm not sure she ever believed us. Most likely for good reasons 😊

My heart goes out to you and yours.

*Sincerely,
John Burscheid*

John Burscheid - April 21, 2017 at 01:49 PM

CP

“ Dear Kathi,

So many wonderful memories of our girlhood in STL - roaming around the neighborhood eating cream cheese and Fritos, pizza at Sala's, illicit jumps into the neighbors' pools while fully clothed, underage drinking at Sam the Watermelon Man, picking up carhops at Circle Steak and Shake, "Take Five" by Dave Brubeck, the time I drove down a hill in Sullivan with Kirk and Mariliz crouched in terror in the back seat while you laughed. I could go on and on.

I will miss you.

Carol Parks - April 21, 2017 at 11:03 AM

DR

“ *I am so grateful that Kathi and I reconnected via Facebook for the last few years. Kathi took wonderful loving care of my 2 boys from 1989-1999 from 9 months old through 5th grade, while I worked. She was their "2nd Mom". I came to love her as a friend, she taught me many valuable parenting and life lessons. She loved my boys and they loved her back. My family was so blessed to have Kathi in our lives. She has a special place in my heart. Rest peacefully Kathi, you are home.*

Debbie Ritter

Debbie Ritter - April 20, 2017 at 08:15 PM

BW

“ *Lots of good memories with Kathi and our children in her backyard pool or just talking together in her kitchen.*

Barbara (LaCure) Warner

Barbara Warner - April 20, 2017 at 09:57 AM

HY

“ *Kathi, (Mrs McNamee) always was supportive & fun to talk to! I learned many phrases from her like comparing cold weather to a witch. She also taught me how to play backgammon! Still today, I'm a good player because of her time, patience & support!*

Hope she & my dad are having an adult beverage in heaven, as I write this note!

To Mr. McNamee, Erin, Shannon, Reagan & JP (can't believe he's old enough to be married, I'm might be getting old) - May you have a little comfort to know that many, many people were touched in so many positive ways by your wife/mother. She remains with us in our hearts. I'm confident that she is preparing things so some day, you can all be together! She was always VERY proud (as she should be) of her children. Her love remains in each of you!

Sincerely, Holly

Holly Yanker - April 19, 2017 at 10:24 PM

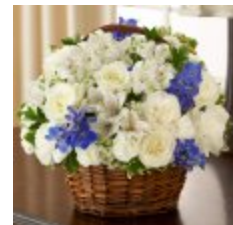
TA

“ *Dear Regan, My deepest sympathies to you and your entire family. May She rest in the arms of our Lord. Amen*

Trisha Alvis - April 19, 2017 at 07:00 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Katherine Marie McNamee.*



April 19, 2017 at 08:00 AM

NR

“ So many wonderful memories of fun times, love and friendship. Kathi was my maid of honor and I was her bridesmaid. She was my best friend in the whole wide world. My husband and I treasured the times we spent with Kathi and OJ. She was always full of life and brought joy to all who knew her. Met Kathi in 1957 as we began our high school years together. It was truly an honor and privilege to be her friend.

Nancy Reinagel - April 19, 2017 at 07:19 AM

PS

As Nancy's Brother in Law I had the privilege of meeting Kathi and OJ at Nancy and Bob's 50th wedding anniversary in 2013. I was immediately struck by her intense faith in God and devotion to the Virgin Mary. Kathi will remain in my prayers indefinitely. May she rest in peace with God forever.

Paul Saunders - April 20, 2017 at 03:54 PM