



Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees

February 13, 1947 - December 15, 2015

Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees, age 68, of Rensselaer passed away Tuesday, December 15, 2015, at her home surrounded by loved ones. She went peacefully to the Lord after battling cancer. Kathy was born in Valparaiso, Indiana on February 13, 1947. Kathy was raised in Valparaiso and was a 1965 graduate of Valparaiso High School.

Kathy was an antique dealer, working at Greene's Furniture and Antiques in Rensselaer. She had fun antiquing and going to garage sales, finding many treasures to collect. Kathy enjoyed playing golf with her many friends and had a love of music.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Rensselaer where she was the organist for more than forty years. Kathy played for countless weddings and many funerals for area families, a task in which she took great pride in doing.

Above all, Kathy loved teaching her grandchildren, Libby, Zoe and Josie, and the time spent with them.

Kathy is survived by her loving family, Tod DeWees, Son, of West Lafayette, Ind., Kim (husband Derrick) Barton, Daughter, of Rensselaer, three granddaughters, Libby and Zoe Barton and Josie DeWees, two nieces, Lori McConville and Kelly Howard and a nephew, Reed Stoerck.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Doris (Howard) Stoerck and Lloyd Stoerck in whose home she was raised; her father and step-mother, John and Bernice Clevenger Shewan, her brother and sister-in-law, John Robert and

Shirley June Shewan and her brother, Phillip Lloyd Stoerck.

Friends may visit with the family at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer on Friday, December 18, 2015, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the First Christian Church of Rensselaer at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 19, 2015, with Rev. Elizabeth Hartmann and Rev. Woody Slade officiating. Burial will follow at Adams Cemetery, Valparaiso Indiana.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church of Rensselaer, 327 N. Van Rensselaer Street, Rensselaer, IN 47978 or the Franciscan Health Rensselaer Home Healthcare and Hospice, c/o Franciscan Health Rensselaer, 114 East Grace Street, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

Cemetery Details

Adams Cemetery

CR 150 E. @ 250 S.
Valparaiso, IN 46383

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
info@jacksonfuneral.com
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

Service

DEC 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church
327 N. Van Rensselaer Street
Rensselaer, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - December 18, 2015 at 09:41 AM

JL

“ *Jim & Dorrie Lefler lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees*



Jim & Dorrie Lefler - January 08, 2016 at 09:44 AM

CH

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Thinking of your family at this time of sorrow.*

Chuck Hutchinson - December 19, 2015 at 09:10 AM

JK

“ *So sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. She always was so much fun and we had many good times in our Home Economics Club years ago. She and Andie are probably having a good time up in heaven. Larry and Judy Koebcke*

judy koebcke - December 18, 2015 at 10:19 PM

ME

“ Meredith lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Meredith - December 18, 2015 at 05:31 PM

MG

always a joy to work with in church and with her grandkids in youth group - continuing prayers and thoughts - she was so special and wonderful

Meredith Grow - December 18, 2015 at 05:33 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Kathy. She was an amazing woman who I admired immensely!!! Her strength and faith was incredible. RIP Kathy.....you are playing for the angel choir now!!!

Linda DeMoss - December 18, 2015 at 04:40 PM

JW

“ Thoughts and prayers being sent to the family and friends of Kathy. I am so sorry that she never got to enjoy the home on Washington St. I only got to meet her at the closing of the house.

Joanne (Joannie) Wagner - December 18, 2015 at 04:26 PM



“ Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees.



December 18, 2015 at 02:21 PM

HL

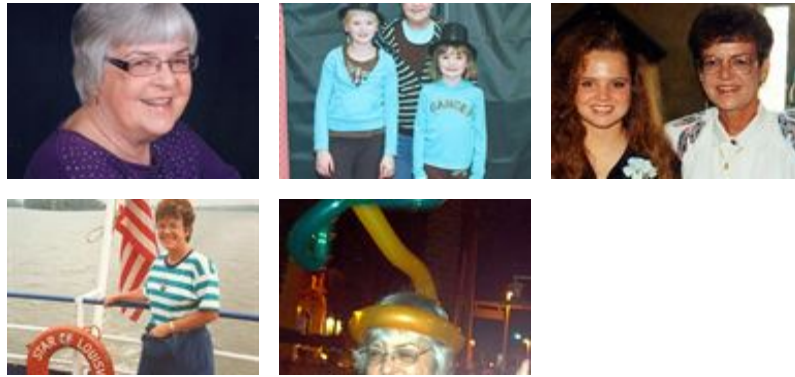
“ Homer And Theresa Lakin lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Homer and Theresa Lakin - December 18, 2015 at 11:56 AM



“ 71 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - December 18, 2015 at 09:29 AM

BM

“ Barb Miller lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Barb Miller - December 17, 2015 at 05:18 PM



“ *Cindy Ziese lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees*



Cindy Ziese - December 17, 2015 at 02:59 PM



“ *Angel Charm Stretch Bangle Bracelet was purchased for the family of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees.*



December 17, 2015 at 01:25 PM



“ *What a beautiful lady. Always smiling, and making our lives joyful with her. Her dedication and love of music gave me much peace in hearing her play and she was always creating music to match the needs of each occasion she played for. My heart, hugs and prayers go out especially to her family and all her friends. She will be missed very much. May God give you strength, love and peace as you go through this time and especially in the days and months ahead. Love to you all, Sandy Todd*

Sandy Todd - December 17, 2015 at 09:13 AM

GB

“ Guy And Betty Barton lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Guy and Betty Barton - December 17, 2015 at 09:13 AM

LA

“ Tod & Kim--Soo sorry for your loss--thoughts & prayers are w/your family! I remember her bringing us ice cream sandwiches in like 2nd grade--thought she had to be the coolest mom ever!!

Lori Burdett Aichner - December 17, 2015 at 08:47 AM


Michelle
Lichte

“ Michelle Lichte lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Michelle Lichte - December 16, 2015 at 10:23 PM

CM

“ I grew up knowing Kathy as a neighbor and a friend who helped me with my 4-h projects. She was a blessing to many and will be deeply missed.



Catherine(Nagel) Manns - December 16, 2015 at 10:02 PM

GW

“ *The Heavens are filled with special music, no doubt. You will be missed, Kathy. Rest in peace.* ”



Gayla Warran - December 16, 2015 at 09:54 PM

Melissa
Davis-
veisberg

“ *I always looked forward when kathy would come see me for her haircuts. We would laugh she always have a great story and best sense of humor. she was a wonderful lady I will miss her Dearly. Thoughts and prayers for Kim her beautiful daughter and family.* ”



Melissa Davis-veisberg - December 16, 2015 at 08:31 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees.* ”



December 16, 2015 at 06:31 PM

DJ

“ *I remember bringing Libby to her hair appointment for prom and riding with you on the way, we had so much fun. Such a wonderful woman. It's an honor to be able to know you. We all miss you already.* ”

Dakota Jones - December 16, 2015 at 04:56 PM

MS

“ *Max & Linda Stevens lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees*



Max & Linda Stevens - December 16, 2015 at 04:56 PM

MA

Kathy was a very special person and she will be missed by many. RIP my dear friend.

Max - December 16, 2015 at 04:58 PM

KW

“ *Kathy Wilcox lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees*



Kathy Wilcox - December 16, 2015 at 04:28 PM

 Sarah Wood

“ *Sarah Wood lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees*



Sarah Wood - December 16, 2015 at 04:09 PM

SR

“ Steve & Ginny Reames lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Steve & Ginny Reames - December 16, 2015 at 03:48 PM

RL

“ Rich And Sue Ludington lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Rich and Sue Ludington - December 16, 2015 at 03:42 PM

CZ

“ Cathy Zeider lit a candle in memory of Kathleen "Kathy" Elaine DeWees



Cathy Zeider - December 16, 2015 at 02:57 PM

CZ

If you know Kathy, it had to be a purple candle. She will be missed by many. Missed our annual Christmas shopping trip this year with my mom and Kathy. Now they are together.

Cathy Zeider - December 16, 2015 at 03:00 PM