Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella

March 23, 1946 - June 22, 2022

Mrs. Kathleen J. “Kathy” (McOwen) Carpinella, age 76, passed away after a long illness on Wednesday, June 22, 2022. At the time of her passing she was in the comfort and care of the Abraham House with those she loved most in her heart.

Born in Utica on March 23, 1946, Kathleen was the daughter of the late Thomas P. and Jane M. (Myers) McOwen. Raised and educated locally, she was a graduate of Utica Free Academy. She was proud to have continued her education to receive her LPN and later her Registered Nursing Degree. She furthered her studies and was awarded her Bachelor’s in Sociology from SUNY Utica/Rome campus. On March 8, 1969 she married David A. Carpinella, Sr. The couple knew the strength of their love for each other, and they were inseparable. They were blessed with 3 beautiful children of whom they were so very proud.

Kathy began her professional career as a Charge Nurse at St. Luke’s Memorial Hospital in the Allen Calder Wing and after years of service she retired from the St. Luke’s Home. Kathy will be remembered for the unconditional love she bestowed on her family which was also extended to all who knew her. Her family was her life and the source of her maternal love. She was a Hockey and Skating mom who never missed a practice, game, or performance. Kathy and David shared many memorable times together, camping, kayaking, fishing, and boating. They were especially fond of Oneida Lake and spent many years at their camp at Paradise Cove where they made

life long memories with family and friends. When they resided on Sunnyside Drive, and later on Clintonview Blvd, she was the ‘Neighborhood Mom’ with a revolving door that was literally left open. You could always smell delicious food simmering on the stove. It is no surprise that Kathy’s favorite word was “Joy”, truly a feeling she brought into the hearts of all those who were lucky to know her. Kathy’s joy was most evident when in the company of her four grandchildren; they made her world complete. When they were present, you would always find her on the floor engaging, laughing, and playing games with them. With her infectious laugh and silly behavior it was sometimes hard to tell who was the grandchild and who was Grandma (“Mama”)! She loved to play cards, board games, take nature walks and build with blocks! She never left you without a sincere “I love you” and a smile. As a devout Christian, she also shared a personal relationship with the Lord. Kathy’s love, beautiful smile, and bright eyes will live on in those who loved her. Her passing leaves many hearts broken, and a void that will never be filled.

Besides her devoted husband, David, Kathy leaves behind and will live in the hearts of her daughter, Lori M. (Carpinella) Wolverton; her sons and daughters-in-law, Michael D. “Mike” and Sally Peters, and David A. Jr. and Jenna Carpinella; her grandchildren who brought her much joy, Anthony, and Michael Wolverton; and Nolan, and Ava Carpinella; and her sisters and brother-in-law, Patricia Crandall, Sally J. Zogby and her late husband Paul Kalil Zogby, and Mary Jane “MJ” and Doug Clancey. She was preceded by her sister Barbara J. “Bobbie” LaBarr, and survived by her brother-in-law, Russell M. LaBarr; her brother and sister-in-law, Thomas “Tom” and Mary Ann McOwen; and her in-laws; MaryLou Carpinella and Jim Obernesser. In addition, she will be remembered by her nieces (and great nieces) and nephews so very loved but too numerous to mention; and her canine companion, Munson and her “adopted daughter” Brenda Mazza who all held a very special place in her heart. She was predeceased by her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Angelo and Louise (Falchi) Carpinella.

The family would like to thank the physicians, nurses, and staff of the MVHS

at St. Luke’s Healthcare 3rd Floor Allen Calder Wing for the loving kindness they shared with Kathy and her loved ones, as well as MaryLou and Jim, and her sister Mary Jane & Doug for extending extra tender-loving care and support to Dave and Kathy when it was needed most.
In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Kathy’s honor may be directed to The Bluefield Project online at https://www.bluefieldproject.org/donate/ to advance their research to cure Frontotemporal dementia (FTD), a disease that diminished Kathy’s mind, but not her heart, or to the Abraham House online at http://www.theabrahamhouse.org/donations/ for the compassionate care and support they provided Kathy during her final days.
In celebration of Kathy’s Life, her family invites you to a casual gathering at Cavallo’s Restaurant Wine Bar, 40 Genesee Street, New Hartford, on Monday, June 27th from 5-7 p.m.

"This World is not Conclusion.
A Species stands beyond -
Invisible, as Music -
But positive, as Sound -" - Emily Dickinson

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN **27**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Cavallo's Restaurant

Tribute Wall

KP

My sincere condolences to all of Kathy's family. We worked together for many years. She was a great team member; hard working and always had a smile.

Kathleen Perra - July 09, 2022 at 08:48 AM

NK

Natalie Kuczek lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella

natalie kuczek - July 06, 2022 at 01:40 PM

We will always remember our days at camp with Kathy and Dave especially how Jeter taught our dog Ruby how to swim. All the Canal fest boat parades and her wonderful laugh. Dave and family, you are in our prayers.
Norm and Kathy Piacentino

Kathy Piacentino - June 26, 2022 at 08:55 AM

SV

So very sad to hear Kathy passed away we will always remember the great times we had with her and Dave .going to Rudy's for Seafood and rice pudding Kathy was a very loving special woman and we send our love and prayers to Dave and family. SALLY AND TY VERBIEST

SALLY VERBIEST - June 27, 2022 at 05:06 PM

Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella.

June 26, 2022 at 02:10 AM

LD

I've loved Kathy since I met her when I was about sixteen. I still remember Dave and Kathy's wedding. Wherever she was, Kathy brought her light. Our family loved her and i know how much she will be missed. Dave, Mike, Lori, and Dave, David and I love you.

Laura and David - June 25, 2022 at 10:36 PM

HB

My condolences to Kathy's family. My family met Kathy when my Aunt was hospitalized on the Allen Calder floor. Kathy was a professional, organized and exceptional nurse. St Luke's lost a top notch RN when Kathy retired. She certainly brought joy to the patients that she cared for. Sincerely, Helen Boswell

Helen Boswell - June 25, 2022 at 10:36 AM

MG

I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Kathy brought so much joy at camp. She always had a smile on her face and was so great with Noah. I am so thankful for their special moments with Noah and I know she impacted him positively. You all will be in our hearts forever. Melanie

Melanie Giovannone - June 25, 2022 at 08:33 AM

FG

So sorry for your loss Dave. Kathy was so good to us and our grandson Noah. He loved to go kayaking with Kathy, who always took him out on the river every weekend he visited us over the years. She was a kind and thoughtful friend and we will miss her. Frank, Judi and Noah

Frank Giovannone - June 25, 2022 at 07:43 AM

MC

Mary Janet Clancey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella

Mary Janet Clancey - June 24, 2022 at 08:39 PM

MC

Going to miss my big sister, friend and the 1 who always brought our family,JOY. Amen.

Mary Janet Clancey - June 24, 2022 at 08:40 PM

L(

My sincere condolences to Kathy's family. I met Kathy when I went to Morrisville college. I car pooled with her and another student. I'll always cherish the fun we had and Kathy made everything seem alright. May God speed.

Lindsa Finley (Richter) - June 24, 2022 at 06:29 PM

TT

Tony & Diane Talerico lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella

Tony & Diane Talerico - June 24, 2022 at 07:04 AM

MM

Mary McOwen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella

Mary McOwen - June 23, 2022 at 10:00 PM

PH

Pat Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Kathleen J. "Kathy" (McOwen) Carpinella

Pat Hughes - June 23, 2022 at 05:17 PM

ML

My condolences to Lori and family! Keep in your memories all the good times and love for family.

mary lynch - June 23, 2022 at 07:19 PM

SK

My condolences to her family and friends. She was my cousin. I remember meeting them when I was very young and we made our annual trip to NY to visit family. I have fond memories of Uncle Tom and Aunt Jane , I remember meeting my cousins but never had a chance to stay in touch.

Sherril Mcowen Kugelman - June 26, 2022 at 05:36 PM

NK

So sorry to hear of Kathy passing. I worked with her and we had great moments together.

natalie kuczek - July 06, 2022 at 01:43 PM