



Kathleen M. "Kathy" Popple

June 27, 1951 - March 7, 2016

Kathleen M. "Kathy" Popple, age 64, of Utica, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, March 7, 2016 at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center.

Born in Munnsville, NY on June 27, 1951, Kathleen was the daughter of the late William and Helen (Landers) Popple. Raised and educated in Munnsville, she attended M.V.C.C. specializing in Chemistry and Biology.

Kathy offered her skills in the areas of Child Care & Nanny, Housekeeping, and Home Health Care during her working years. She excelled in the fine arts of photography. When she traveled, she loved to attend music concerts where she would meet and make lifelong friends. She was a die-hard Neil Young fan and was proud to be a part of the "Rusty Group". Her talents as a photographer allowed her to access back-stage passes, and from those experiences she would create brilliant photographic works. She also participated in organizing for many fundraising musical events, most notably Farm AID and the annual Bridge School Benefit Concert. She was a supporter of children with special needs and a passionate patron of the Stevens-Swan Human Society.

Kathy is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Shana and Michael DeJesus of Beverly, Massachusetts, and Tonya and David Black of Olympia, Washington; her grandchildren, Reilly DeJesus, Nolan DeJesus, Douglas and Kyla Briggs, and Tyler Briggs. She was proud to know that she was expecting a great-grandson this summer. She also leaves her sister, Margaret Iffert of Clinton; and her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins.

The family will honor and commemorate Kathleen's life at a later time in a Memorial Gathering.

Tribute Wall

“ One of the first Rusties I met years ago, Kathy (i used to call her "the Hip-one") she introduced me to Dave and Jean Wiswell and the Adirondack Rust Fest (ARF) and the Bridge School benefit (BSB)and the International Rust Fest (IRF). I worked with Kathy on most of the tee shirts for IRF over the past decade and a half. We'd push the requests until the very last minute hoping to get a few more dollars for the BSB, and causing me all sorts of angst!

She took a particular liking to my children, Jaed and Bruno< and I remember getting little gifts for the kids that she'd raffle off at ARF, again to make more \$\$ for BSB. she always sent a Christmas card, and several times captured me to help with doing graphics for x-mas things (one year old CD's with Neil riding in a sleigh).

Always giving, not asking for anything in return, she was the epitome of what we all feel is the underlying spirit of we "Rusties". It still amazes me today, what the connection to Neil has done for my life and the friends I have met through this conglomeration of like-minded, but highly different and individual people. The Hip One was one of the best. It'll never be the same at BSB and IRF without her.

so many thoughts of her, and memories, and feelings.....

So, from Neil.....

Lover there will be another one
Who'll hover over you beneath the sun
Tomorrow see the things that never come Today

When you see me fly away without you
Shadow on the things you know
Feathers fall around you
And show you the way to go
It's over,it's over

Nestled, in your wings, my little one

*Is special, morning brings another sun
Tomorrow, see the things that never come
Today*

*When you see me fly away without you
Shadow on the things you know
Feathers fall around you
And show you the way to go
It's over, it's over.....*

.....See you some day, Hip One, up in the "Big Concert"

BUgs-

BUgs - April 26, 2016 at 10:32 AM



“ *St Michael lit a candle in memory of Kathleen M. "Kathy" Popple*



St Michael - March 15, 2016 at 02:47 PM



Hi, I'm one the guys that usually picks her up on Saturdays to take her to dialysis from City Cab. She was a very nice lady, funny and full of joy. I'm shocked and touched to find out that she has passed. She was more than just a passenger, she was a good friend.

St Michael - March 15, 2016 at 02:51 PM

PW

“ *Your smile, your wit, your passion and your ability to get places when the odds were against you all add up to the person I love. I'm only comforted in that you now sleep with angels. Fly pain free now HGS, you will always be in my heart.*
Your rusted Sister,
Paulette



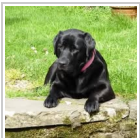
Paulette Wiley - March 10, 2016 at 08:25 PM



“ *Nick Birch lit a candle in memory of Kathleen M. "Kathy" Popple*



Nick Birch - March 10, 2016 at 01:49 PM



“ *Kathy was one of my first Rusties friends. I never met her but she was so kind, sending me and my grandson Arlo lovely cards and Xmas gifts. She even phoned me on my first US business trip to check I was OK. A treasured rusty friend that I inspires us all to be fiend others and keep smiling. Love from Nick Birch in Scotland.*
Xxx

Nick Birch - March 10, 2016 at 01:48 PM

SJ

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Shana De Jesus - March 10, 2016 at 09:10 AM

DG

“ *Kathy was so full of love and kindness. The Rust community is aching and hearts broken that we've lost her. She adored her family and she and I shared our excitement in January as we are both expecting a new baby this summer. The only word I can think of is irreplaceable!! I pray for her family and hope they know how treasured Kathy is to so many. I was blessed to know her.*

Di Gabriel - March 10, 2016 at 07:28 AM

KA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Kathy was very proud of her family, she loved you all so much. She was such a pillar of our Rustie family, we can barely imagine our gatherings without her. We are heartbroken. Although we will surely miss her quick smile, twinkling eyes, and sharp wit, I know she will find a way to be with us. She always finds a way! Much love to you all at this difficult time.*



Karen - March 10, 2016 at 05:56 AM

MM

“ It is hard to think that you won't be there anymore, you are such a fixture at our gatherings. I have so MANY memories of you!!! I know you are taking your pictures, shaking your tambourine and finding a dinner to organize for our other rustie friends.... Love you Kathy!!

marilyn miller - March 10, 2016 at 05:36 AM

 Karen Webb

“ Love you Kathy. Our love of Neil drew us together and we will miss your happy face this year at Bridge, bit know your spirit will be there with the kids somewhere! Rest in peace my friend xx

Karen Webb - March 10, 2016 at 02:56 AM

SH

“ Kathy has been my friend both on and off line for over 20 years. I will miss her presence but I will never miss her because she will always be here with me.

Sheila

Sheila - March 10, 2016 at 02:09 AM



WG

“ I know you are resting in peace. I also know that you are dancing with Lisa and taking pictures with your beautiful camera every where in Heaven. It will be hard to find another photographer to all our family gathering. RIP

wanda gines - March 09, 2016 at 07:48 PM

JS

“ *Kathy will be missed, I would see you once a year at Bridge School Benefit and always enjoyed catching up on the years activities. I'm happy that you enjoyed your christmas present last year. Rest in Peace Kathy*

Jesse Salcedo - March 09, 2016 at 11:17 AM

SJ

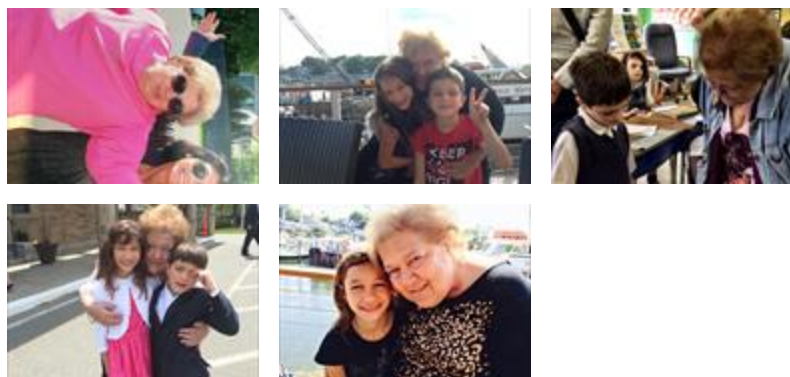
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Shana De Jesus - March 09, 2016 at 09:16 AM

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Shana De Jesus - March 09, 2016 at 08:11 AM

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Shana De Jesus - March 09, 2016 at 06:52 AM

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Tonya - March 09, 2016 at 06:21 AM

SJ

“ Dear Mom,
I love you and I will miss you each and every day. I am happy that you are not in pain anymore. You were the best Mom, Grandma and friend. Your smile touched so many lives. Smile on Hippy Girl Smile.
Love,
Shana, Michael, Reilly and Nolan



Shana De Jesus - March 09, 2016 at 06:17 AM