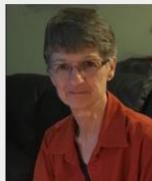


Kathleen Delvis

Funeral: 11am Monday October 14

New Hope Presbyterian- Hannibal

Visitation: 2 - 5pm Sunday Gilman Funeral Home



Kathleen Hazel Delvis (née Williams) departed on the next step of her journey on Thursday, October 10, 2019. Kathy was born on May 19, 1944 to Franklin and Hazel Williams in Hannibal, Wisconsin. She spent her early years on her family farm in Hannibal before moving to Waukesha with her parents in her teen years. She met a young man named Denny while they were both working at Waukesha's legendary Marty's Pizza. Their jobs each lasted for exactly one day. Their marriage lasted just over 57 years.

Kathy worked in a variety of different jobs in the Waukesha area, including Carroll College and the State of Wisconsin. Most of her career was spent with the Social Security Administration, first in Waukesha, then Milwaukee, and finally in the Eau Claire area.

Kathy and Denny lived in a little house on Pewaukee Lake for many years. Their annual 4th of July party was the stuff of legend. Boating was one of their favorite activities, and after they moved to Northern Wisconsin, they spent many happy summers with their friends at the marina in Alma, Wisconsin. Kathy and Denny also took many road trips around the United States, snowmobiled in the winters, and once followed various rivers and waterways all the way to Fulton, Mississippi for the winter. Kathy's one trip on an airplane was when she took her daughter Denise and mother Hazel to Disney World. She hated the flight.

Kathy loved to read, and instilled her love of the written word in her daughter Denise.

(She did not instill her love of knitting, sewing, or needlepoint.)

She and Denise loved going to concerts and musicals and went to more movies together than either could count. Their weekly movie night, and later, their weekend movie marathons were one of their favorite traditions. They also loved playing cards, and Kathy took great delight in kicking Denise's butt whenever she got lucky enough to do so.

After Denise moved to Arizona, Kathy and Denny began to snowbird there and made many friends at Black Meadow Landing on Lake Havasu. They continued to spend their summers at their tiny house in the woods near Chetek, Wisconsin.

Kathy's long illness over the last two years was difficult, and she survived many crises.

After one of the last ones, she said, "They thought I was a goner. But I'm tough!"

She was tough, and tiny, and feisty, and wonderful. And she will be missed.

She leaves behind her husband Dennis, daughter Denise Delvis of Kingman, AZ, siblings Patricia Meyer of Ladysmith and Archie (Candy) Williams of Hannibal, sister in law Shirley Williams of Gilman, and too many nieces, nephews, and cousins to track, and countless friends.

A funeral service will be held on Monday October 14, 2019 at 11am at New Hope Presbyterian Church-Hannibal with Beverly Thompson officiating.

Visitation will be from 2 - 5pm on Sunday at the Gilman Funeral Home and Monday morning one hour prior to services at the church.

Kathy will be laid to rest in the Hannibal Cemetery, alongside her parents Hazel and Franklin and her sister Karen.

Memorials in Kathy's name can be made to:

St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital

www.stjude.org

or the

Wounded Warrior Project

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