



Kathryn Theresa Alexander

August 8, 1945 - April 6, 2018

Kathryn Theresa "Katie" Alexander, age 72, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away early Friday morning, April 6, 2018, at her home.

Katie was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on August 8, 1945, the daughter of the late Stanley and Kathryn (Moen) Sipniewski. She graduated from Loretto High School with the class of 1963. Katie worked for many years as a physical therapist at War Memorial Hospital and sometimes Tender-Care Nursing Home. She retired in 2007. Katie was an enthusiast of baby animals especially little pigs and collected numerous pig related items. For many years, she was also an avid bowler, winning many trophies and her well-known "Yahoo" when she or a teammate would get a strike. One of her biggest joys was the family events held at Grandpa Sips place on the lower river especially the 4th of July camping when relatives from all over would come to town for the annual gathering. She also enjoyed ice fishing, berry picking, Bingo and the occasional ride around to view the little critters and scenery. After her retirement, she continued as a volunteer for many special events with her sisters that would include delivering the mail to patients and those in long-term care. When she would take the time from her busy schedule she would like to sit and enjoy a good cup of coffee with her longtime companion Glenn while watching the birds that would come to the feeders all to the amusement of her cat Martha.

Katie is survived by her companion and best friend of 28 years: Glenn

McFadden, her daughter: Carrie (Brian) Eavou of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; two sons: Fritz (Traci) Alexander of Sault Ste. Marie, MI and Kevin (Amber) Alexander of Rogers City, MI; two step-sons: Jason McFadden of Marquette, MI and Michael McFadden of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; 10 grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild. She is also survived by three sisters: Muriel Mills of Fruitport, MI, Victoria Dragiewicz of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, and Phyllis (Chuck) Pehrson of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; and a brother: Stanley (Dianne) Sipniewski of Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

Katie was preceded in death by her parents: Stanley and Kathryn Sipniewski; her sister: Sandy Chamberlain; brothers-in-law: Joe Mills and Walter Dragiewicz; and former Daughter-in-law and friend: Sandy Alexander.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 13th with a gathering from 10:00 AM until Noon, followed by a short prayer service at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Though she loved them, please, in lieu of flowers the family ask memorials to be donated to the American Heart Association.

Tribute Wall

PA

“ *Katheryn sounds like a wonderful person. I'm sure she will be greatly missed. The Bible tells us that the God of all comfort (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4) hates death. He tells us that there will be a time when the last enemy "death" will be brought to nothing (1 Corinthians 15:26). I hope these truths from the Bible bring you and your family comfort during this difficult time.*

Pamela - May 23, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ *I worked with Katie for 12 years before she retired. What a very special lady. She had the unique ability to motivate her patients and somehow get them to walk when they didn't think they could. She was a "Character" with a huge heart. I was blessed to know her.*

Donna Nye - April 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ *The loss of a cherished loved one is the most devastating experiences a family can face. At times, the loss may seem unbearable. Please know that there are family and friends who care and more importantly Psalm 34:18 tells us that "God is near to those that are broken at heart. He is the God of all comfort. God will comfort you during this difficult time of grief. Our prayers are also with you and your family.*

Williams Family - April 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Dear Sipniewski siblings; My condolences to you and your family on the passing of Katie. She was such a happy lady, always giving you a hug, joke or "trouble" before going on her way. It was a great pleasure to know her. The world is a lot dimmer now that Katie's passed, but I'm sure heaven is a lot brighter now! Sending you all love, hugs, and prayers. Karen

Karen Stabile - April 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ I have many wonderful memories of Katie that I cherish. She's left a beautiful legacy of a giving heart, laughter and a joyous personality.

Helen Spring Smith - April 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Katie was a neighbor and baby sitter on Riverside Dr. I feel so lucky to have re met her as an adult at war memorial hospital. She always had a big smile, followed by a big hug. She will be so very missed by one and all.

Kris Clark - April 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Kevin and entire family, Sending heartfelt condolences to all of you in the loss of your dear Mom. Love, Sally and Harold Mitchell

Sally and Harold Mitchell - April 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ My deepest sympathies to the entire family. Prayers are with all of you.

Roberta Lackey - April 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM