



Faith Katherine Kelly

October 6, 1945 - May 8, 2023

Faith Katherine Kelly (Zupfer)

of Hudson, Wisconsin passed away at age 77, on May 8, 2023 after battling stage 4 colon cancer.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Howard and Helen (Petro) Zupfer, sister-in-law, Kathy Zupfer, and daughter, Joy Melugin.

Faith was married from 1970 until 1999. She is survived by son, Kirk Kelly; brother, John Zupfer; sister, Beverly (Gregg) Paulus; son-in-law, Kyle Melugin; grandson, Theo Melugin, many nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

Faith was born in St. Paul, Minnesota and raised near Como Park. She was a member of Warrendale Presbyterian Church as a child and young adult. She graduated from Washington High School in St. Paul in 1963. Faith received her B.S. from the University of Minnesota in 1967 and her M. A. in Christian Education in 1975 from Bethel Seminary.

Faith lived in seven states during her life, teaching home economics in her early career years. After graduate school, she taught Christian Education courses at College of the Ozarks in Arkansas. Later she was a CE director at Presbyterian and Methodist churches in Montana, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Growing up in Minnesota, Faith developed a love of nature. She once said, "Living in Arkansas, Montana and areas in between, the artist in me looked for the beauty in each location." Faith studied watercolor painting in Montana and Minnesota, exhibiting and winning awards in both painting and amateur photography.

When Faith returned to Minnesota in 2000, she studied silk dying and experimented with techniques, materials and various uses. Faith loved and was fascinated by God's continuing creations; she felt nature and faith were evident in her art. Faith's art was on display at the Stillwater Arts Guild Gallery. She was also a member of the Carbon County Arts Guild, exhibiting in their Red Lodge, MT Depot Gallery.

Faith moved to Hudson, Wisconsin in 2011, but continued to be a Vikings fan to the end. Faith found a spiritual home at First Presbyterian Church in Stillwater, Minnesota, where she became a member of the congregation after moving to Hudson. She loved to be involved with her church's mission and activities, and developed many lasting friendships.

Faith's Memorial Service will be Saturday, June 3, 2023, at 3:30 PM at First Presbyterian Church, 6201 Osgood Ave. N., Stillwater, MN 55082.

Fellowship and coffee following service. Private interment.

Memorials are preferred in lieu of flowers.

Tribute Wall

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“ Faith was a very good friend. She had so many wonderful qualities that stood out about her. She was one of the kindest woman I know. She went out of her way to help many people. I will always treasure the times we had together.

Sue Warnke

Susan Warnke - June 03, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest heartfelt sympathy for the loss of Faith, dear friend. As time passes and the grief becomes less painful, may happy memories bring you comfort and peace. All my love to you and the family.



Carol Reed - May 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM