



Karlyn Ann Ballenger

June 30, 1968 - April 7, 2024

Karlyn Ballenger (Kostiha), 55, of Elk River, MN formerly of Parma, OH died Sunday, April 7, 2024 in Coon Rapids, MN. She was born June 30, 1968 in Cleveland, OH to Ken and Lola Kostiha (Sowards). Karlyn is a graduate of Normandy High School (Parma, OH) and Ohio University (Athens, OH). Whether she was working as a Human Resources Professional with Digi International, a Book Fair Administrator for Scholastic Books, a Patient Access Specialist for Allina Health, or a member of the Parker Elementary PTA in Elk River, Karlyn was always about engaging with and helping people. Karlyn loved spending time with her family and friends. She was a forever dance mom, hockey fan, and fishing fanatic while at the lake. Her distinctive laugh and bright smile will forever live on in everyone that knew her. She is survived by her husband of 25 years, Brian; son, Jacob; daughter, Samantha; sister; Kendra Kostiha (Sarah Speicher); brother, Jeffrey Kostiha (Jeanne Kostiha); Parent in-laws, George and Barbara Ballenger and many other loving family and friends.

Family requests, in lieu of flowers, as an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be made to Alpha Delta Pi Foundation at <https://donate.alphadeltapi.org/memorial> or by mail to Alpha Delta Pi Foundation, 1386 Ponce de Leon Ave. NE, Atlanta, GA 30306 in her loving memory.

A Celebration of life will be held Saturday, June 22, 2024 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at the Furniture & Things Community Event Center, 1000 School Street NW, Elk River, MN 55330.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN **22**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Furniture and Things Community Event Center
1000 School Street NW
Elk River, MN 55330