



Kayla Louise Kuhlman

August 25, 1950 - June 30, 2021

Kayla Louis (Ellis) Kuhlman passed away peacefully, surrounded by family on June 30, 2021.

She was born to Marguerite (Peggy) and Roger Ellis on August 25, 1950.

She grew up in Blue Earth and graduated high school in 1968. She went on to graduate from the Johnson Academy of Beauty Culture in Mankato, MN. After graduating, Kayla worked as a beautician for Powers and Dayton's Salons.

Kayla met her future husband, Gerald Kuhlman, at a dance hall in Fairmont during her senior year of high school, and they married July 10, 1971. Together they lived in New York for a short time after they were married, then returned to Minnesota where they had two sons, Steven and Sean.

Kayla transitioned from hair styling to become the Secretary of Mt. Hope Redemption Lutheran school, which her sons attended, while still doing hair for family and friends.

She was a very active member of Mt. Hope Lutheran Church as a member of the choir and Praise team. She played handbells in the choir, and was honored to be able to travel to Italy to play for several churches.

Kayla was very talented craftswoman. She enjoyed quilting, sewing,

crocheting, knitting (many prayer shawls), making jewelry, and, her most recent love, making cards. Kayla made sure that she had a card made for every occasion and holiday. The cards for her grandchildren were always tailored to their unique interests. Even as she suffered with her own illness, she still managed to make face masks for those in need during the Covid-19 pandemic. If someone needed something, Kayla would figure out how to make it. She was always ready to help. She was a kind spirit and had an extraordinarily strong faith in Our Lord.

Kayla enjoyed going to the cabin she and Gerald built, taking vacations, and spending time with her children and grandchildren. They were the loves of her life right up to the end.

Left to cherish such wonderful memories are her husband Gerald Kuhlman, children Steven and Sean (Kimberly), grandchildren Seth, Grant, Khloe, Jake, Blake and Levi, her brothers and sisters John Ellis (Ruthanne) of Armstrong, IA, Kathleen Peterson (Tim) of Fairmont, MN, Colleen Boran (Jerry) of Forest City, IA, Susan Ellis (Ray Milligan) of Lake Vermilion/Soudan, MN, Robert Ellis (Michelle) of Wyoming, MN, and Christine Manno of Chanhassen, MN.

Kayla was preceded in death by her parents, Peggy and Roger Ellis, her in-laws Lillian and Merrill Kuhlman, and brother-in-law Michael Manno.

A memorial service will be held July 10, 2021 at Mount Hope Lutheran Church, 3601 W. Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431. Visitation will be at 1pm, service at 2pm and refreshments and desserts will be served following the service. A live stream will be available at the following link <http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWrgOuhuRoCGP3oLBfXkzzQ>.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Mt. Hope Lutheran Church or the American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **10**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church
3601 W. Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431

Memorial Service

JUL **10**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ Jeff & Tami Sackett purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Kayla Louise Kuhlman.



Jeff & Tami Sackett - July 09, 2021 at 11:12 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Kayla Louise Kuhlman.



July 09, 2021 at 12:57 PM

RF

“ So sorry to hear of Kayla's passing... I worked with her first at the Redemption campus, and then she moved to the Mt. Hope campus. I also grew up with the Kuhlman family at Lewisville. May the peace that surpasses all understanding be with you, Gerald and sons, and with all the extended families.

Ruth Ann and Jim Frazier - July 08, 2021 at 06:31 PM

LA

“ Love, Kevin, Lynn, Matt and Ali purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kayla Louise Kuhlman.



Love, Kevin, Lynn, Matt and Ali - July 08, 2021 at 03:38 PM

RZ

“ I was blessed to be the Principal at MHR Lutheran School in the late 1980's. Kayla was my go to person as a professional administrative assistant. She was always so cheerful and respectful to all the parents and students. The staff was always well cared for and she blessed everyone everyday!

Blessed to have such great memories and rejoicing that she is with Jesus in heaven and singing with the saints! Go Eagles!

Bob & Connie Ziegler

Robert Ziegler - July 08, 2021 at 09:14 AM

MF

“ Michael, Roger/Deb & family; Diane/James & family. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kayla Louise Kuhlman.



Michael, Roger/Deb & family; Diane/James & family. - July 07, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ Jerry, Steve, and Sean -
You have all been my second family. You allowed me to stay with you when I was having my own difficulties in life. You took me in and made me feel so welcome! Kayla was my dearest friend. I have known her - and all of you - for 28 years! So many fun times fishing, hanging out at the lake, using your outdoor make-shift bathroom!!!! Please know how much I love you all - and will dearly miss my friend. May the Lord fill you with His peace.

Jen Wheeler - July 07, 2021 at 04:41 PM

JS

I could not believe it when I was reading the paper and saw Kayla's obituary in it. I was just shocked and felt badly for all of you. Kayla was one of the very nicest people I have ever met. She certainly was one of the best memories of the time we lived in Bloomington. I see her service will be at Mt Hope. We will not be there. Too many memories there. I don't know if you know it or not but our beloved daughter, Kristina, passed away April 2019. I hope you understand and I'm giving you a big hug. I'm just sitting here crying. Kayla our Kayla gone 🥺🥺🥺🥺🥺

Jean Setering - July 07, 2021 at 10:30 PM

SS

I'm just learning of Kayla's death and with that brings much sadness and so many fond memories of her her at Mt Hope. I worked as the Kitchen Manager for the school from 1997-2004. Kayla was always the bright spot in my day so caring funny and always so upbeat.

Sue Seeker - May 17, 2024 at 04:55 PM