



Kathy Alcorn

March 16, 1948 - December 25, 2013

KATHY ALCORN

God called Kathy home on Christmas Day following a long illness at the age of 65. Kathy devoted her life to helping all in need. She was a dedicated teacher in the Turner School District for over 35 years with her brother Larry and Uncle Richard. She cherished each and every student that she taught. Kathy was passionate about helping people with special needs. Kathy hosted numerous foreign exchange students from around the world and had the opportunity to teach in Finland. Kathy loved exploring the world, visiting Canada, Mexico, England, Norway, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Greece, Russia, and especially Finland. Kathy also had an abiding love of dogs and dedicated many years to animal welfare.

She enjoyed working with Heart of America Humane Society and No More Homeless Pets KC. She also loved sewing, cooking, crafts, flowers, music, the Olympics, and especially Christmas. She leaves behind her mother, Virginia Fuller Alcorn, sisters Jane and Kim, brothers Harry and Larry and his wife Shirley. Kathy also leaves behind a host of loving nieces and nephews, extended family and friends, including Heli and her Finnish family. Visitation will 4-6 PM., Sunday December 29, 2013 at Maple Hill Funeral Home.

Services will be 4 PM., Monday December 30, 2013 at the chapel. Burial will be at Maple Hill Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Heart of America Humane Society or to Great Plains SPCA. Online condolences may be left on Kathy's website at www.maplehillfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

DEC **30**. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kathy Alcorn*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Kathy Alcorn*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *thank you Kathy, for taking me under your wing during 1979 when no one else did.(even if i was not a part of your class) I have never forgotten this and have periodically tried looking you up but could not remember your name just kathy with a k who did special ed. I kept that blue shirt for many many years even after i out grew it. there are so many things I wish i could share with you about how i came out. I have done alright. just know you did make a difference to me. :)*
you sure did give great hugs and i have often wondered how the baby turned out.

Diana Carter - December 16, 2014 at 05:39 PM

RS

“ I will never forget Kathy. I was a Learning Disabilities teacher at Turner High School from 9/1978-5/82. I had been an LD teacher at Hocker Jr. High for two years, but high school students were different. Kathy befriended me immediately. Her twinkling eyes, her friendly smile, and her hearty laugh (which just rippled out whenever she was amused, which was often), would brighten everyone's day.

She was always looking for ways to better prepare her students for an informed, productive, and happy life. She was always ready to share her information and tips with me, and in this way helped even more students.

I respected her greatly and was blessed by her friendship.

Thanks, Kathy,
Rosie Stoneking

Rosie Stoneking - December 31, 2013 at 03:25 PM

RV

“ Ms. Alcorn was by far the best teacher I ever had! Heaven is rejoicing in big ways now. I pray that God will comfort Ms. Alcorn's family remaining here on earth. Student C/O 1983-Rodger Vestal

Rodger Vestal - December 30, 2013 at 07:07 PM



“ I care for her a frist but before long I was part of the family. She was a wonderful person always has something nice kind and positive to say .She also had a heart a big as herself,if she knew you were in need well she tried to help or find someone who could .She'll be missed and will leave a hole in many a heart but we will get to see her in heaven again.May the family have the peace of her leaving and know her suffering is over and she is in God's hands. Your friend Kim H. {Kim Hardwick}

Kim Hardwick - December 30, 2013 at 06:00 AM

NS

“ We met Kathy when we adopted our sweet cocker spaniels, Abby & Jennie. We had never had any pets before, and Kathy and Heli were so helpful! Over the years she enjoyed watching them when we went on trips, and helped us through the difficult days, when it was their time to go to the "Rainbow Bridge".

Kathy became a dear friend, always interested in our children and their studies and activities. We loved our visits with her, and she enjoyed it whenever we could bring our "4-legged child, Penny".

We will treasure the memories and Kathy's friendship in our hearts always. We know that Heaven has welcomed a magnificent new member!

Jim, Nancy, Rebecca, James, Stephen & Penny Schier

Nancy Schier - December 29, 2013 at 08:16 PM

DH

“ I have many fond memories of working with Kathy over our many years at Turner. She was a great lady who cared for the kids that other people ignored, and she was very good at developing a program for those kids. Mostly, she cared and loved everyone around her. I am sure all of you in the family will miss her.

David Hentges - December 29, 2013 at 07:49 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Kathy Alcorn.



December 29, 2013 at 09:12 AM

SA

“ I miss my dear sweet sister Kathy already. In our entire life we never had one cross word. She loved me and I her with all our hearts. I admired her love and dedication and followed her becoming a teacher. Our class rooms were next to each other for 20 years so my memories are more than enough to sustain me until I meet her again in Heaven, but right now my heart is aching. I have never known anyone with so much love and compassion for her fellow man and I feel so privileged to have been her brothers. So now my dear sister enjoy your new perfect healthy body and know I love you always, Larry

shirley alcorn - December 28, 2013 at 09:27 PM

TG

“ I was so fortunate to have worked with Kathy as she worked with and inspired her students to be the best they could be. She had such a big heart and readily shared with others. What memories she made for all...much sympathy and love to her family.



Theresa Van Goethem - December 28, 2013 at 05:47 PM

SR

“ I was so sorry to hear about Kathy's passing, but know that she is now reunited with all her little furry friends. Kathy helped me adopt my first little rescue dog, Mitzi, who was the light of my life. She was also a great church friend of my mom's. Both Mom and I thought the world of Kathy and are glad that she is now at peace. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Sharon Reavis - December 28, 2013 at 05:18 PM

RH

“ I am so sad to hear of Kathy's passing. I had not seen Kathy in many years since I no longer live in the KC area, but have fond memories of our high school years. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family. May she rest in peace.

Ruth Lietzen Hiensch - December 28, 2013 at 04:11 PM

MH

“ Please accept my sincerest condolences. Kathy was my most steadfast and fun friend ever since meeting her in Emporia, KS for college. The world is less lovely now that she has passed, but Heaven shines more brightly.

Marsha (Blair) Hartung - December 28, 2013 at 01:44 PM

MH

“ Marsha Hartung purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kathy Alcorn.



Marsha Hartung - December 28, 2013 at 01:35 PM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathy Alcorn.



December 28, 2013 at 09:22 AM

MG

“ Miss Alcorn inspired many with her stellar example of being a truly dedicated educator in the Turner District for do many years....May her memories bring much comfort in the days ahead...

Michele (Roark) Garrett - December 28, 2013 at 07:09 AM

MM

“ I will miss Kathy terribly she treated you more than just a student she treated you as if you were her friend. I was a very stubborn student and school was not my cuppa tea and f it wasn't for this lady Kathy Alcorn I would have not graduated high school!...so I feel in my mind I owe her everything I also owe her graitude for making me to become the person that I am today. It's difficult for handicapped people. To be excepted period but teachers really frowned down upon u if u were diffrent but Kathy NEVER treated you as an outcast Kathy treated you like you were somebody like you mattered. I remember when I reconnected with her and she invited me to come see her at the hospital with my kids I was so excited to see her and I remember I had my son in my arms and I walked into her room and she's sleeping and I touched her foot she woke up and she noticed it was me and the smile from ear to ear by both of us takes me back to a different time and place. And this is why I'm so proud to call her my mentor my teacher and best of allmy friend!...Thank you for everything Kathy I wasn't the only one that loved you countless of people including students did aswell!...You'll definitely get your wings in heaven because you were an angel here on earth!....I WILL MISS AND LOVE YOU FOREVER!

Melissa Moffett - December 28, 2013 at 12:15 AM

MM

“ I'm going to miss Kathy terribly...she was my teacher,mentor and my friend and I loved her soooo much ..she had a way of treating u like u mattered and she didnt treat u diffrent like A LOT of teachers did if they sensed u had any type If handicap...i remember the first time I reconnected with her and i walked into her hospital room and i had my son in my arms and couldnt wait for Kathy to see my kids and to hug her and see her again and i walked in and she was sleeping and i touched her foot to wake her up to announce i was there and she seen it was me and we both smiled ear to ear and at that moment i felt young again and its like i was taken back in timeand it made me cry. KATHY THANK YOU FOR BEING THE BEST TEACHER EVER AND PUTTING UP WITH ME THE STUBORN STUDENT AND WITHOUT UR DEDICATION TO ME AND COUNTLESS OTHERS GRADUATION WOULD NEVER OF HAPPEND!.....LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU FOREVER :'(

Melissa Moffett - December 27, 2013 at 11:39 PM

MK

“ I'm Kathy's friend from Finland. Kathy's heart was warm and her home was open for friends and visitors. She enjoyed life in many, many ways and she was always ready for joking, kidding and laughing - as well she was ready to listen and help people in troubles and need. Even in our darker days she kept saying me: Matti -. remember to say yourself always: "My life is good"

Kathy really did what she could to make this world a better place for us all. I am grateful I had a chance to know this wonderful woman. I send my warmest regards to her dear family and all who knew her.

Matti Koistinen from Outokumpu, Finland

matti koistinen - December 27, 2013 at 12:12 PM

CD

“ My dear friend was a wonderful person in so many ways, and the world is a better place for the good she did here. Students she taught still came to visit her and thanked her for the difference she made in their lives. She is well known in the Kansas City animal rescue community for finding homes for many homeless dogs and playing an important part in two area animal welfare groups. She was a kind and loving daughter, sister and aunt. And she was a supportive friend, always lending an ear and a shoulder and loving honesty. Farewell my friend, til we meet again.

Carol Davis - December 27, 2013 at 09:24 AM

AO

“ my school mom man there is so much to said about this wonderful women she has done so much for me and my family. Kathy taught me how to drive i used her car to do it she paid for my driving classes,if it wasnt for her i wouldnt be able to to go to my senior prom .she got my dress,took me and gave me money, for graduation she paid for my cap and gown senoir fees pictures and so much more i can go on and on about what she did for me she really was a mother to me i went threw alot when i was younger with my mother being sick. Kathy step in emotionally,finacially,loving, caring for me. i was truly bless to have a women like you and my life im going to miss you so much Kathy
love your daugther
Alberta

alberta osbey - December 26, 2013 at 09:07 PM

GS

“ I just shared with my husband the good times Kathy and I had in orchestra together at Argentine. Kathy always had a smile and a joke or two! God be with you 'til we meet again! Ginger Utter Scott

Ginger Utter Scott - December 26, 2013 at 06:13 PM