



# Kathleen "Kathy" Wiseman Wnuk

June 18, 1947 - December 15, 2021

Kathleen "Kathy" (Wiseman) Wnuk, age 74, of Belmont, was unexpectedly called home to meet her Lord God, December 15. She was born June 18, 1947 in Grand Rapids, MI to James and Dorothy Wiseman. She later moved to Phoenix, AZ where she graduated from Alhambra High School in 1965. Soon after, she met and married the love of her life, Walter "Walt" Wnuk, on January 20, 1967. They returned to Michigan in 1976 to be closer to their families as their own family grew. Kathy and Walt spent 54 years together raising their 3 children, enjoying their 7 grandchildren, and spending time with their many friends.

She found a rewarding career in medical coding and went on to retire with the respect of her many co-workers. In her retirement, she enjoyed traveling and spent many years living the "camping life" in their 5th wheel camper, making many life-long friends. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary at the Casino Club of Grand Rapids.

Being a mother was her gift and her legacy, and her family meant the world to her. She taught her children how to love through her kind and generous spirit, fostered a strong family bond, and was always there to offer guidance and support. As a grandmother, she shined! She lit up around her grandchildren and loved them with all her heart. As a wife, Kathy's love for Walt was evident in even the simplest of things such as cutting his hair or playing cards. They were the best of friends and truly lived up to their wedding vows, "in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health".

Kathy was compassionate, giving and always there for those who needed her - we have heard this so many times in the stories that have been told since her passing. She loved to be surrounded by her family so much that her long goodbyes were known by all as the "Wnuk Goodbyes".

Kathy will be deeply missed by her husband Walt, her 3 children, Cheryl (Tim) Moore, Lisa Wnuk, and David (Lisa J) Wnuk, her grandchildren, Austin and Haley Moore; Emma and Greyson Wnuk; Tyler, Lauren, and Morgan Wnuk, her brothers Jim (Barb) Wiseman, Terry Wiseman, Greg (Diana) Wiseman, many nieces and nephews, her special friends, and all others that who held a special place in her heart. She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Dorothy.

In keeping with Kathy's tradition of long goodbyes, her family is waiting until after the new year to hold a memorial service when it will be better to gather. Details will be forthcoming

once finalized. We invite you to come and celebrate her life, share stories, laugh and rejoice that she was in our lives, even though it was far too short.

The family would like to thank the caring and dedicated doctors and nurses at Spectrum Health Hospital, specifically those in the Meijer Heart Center, while Kathy was in their care.

Kathy's favorite poem was "Footprints in the Sand"

... During your times of trial and suffering,  
when you see only one set of footprints,  
it was then that I carried you.

For those who wish to make a memorial donation in Kathy's name, please choose a charity of your choice that you feel would best honor her.

# Tribute Wall

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**Lisa Wnuk** - January 03 at 05:34 PM

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“ *Friends are people that touch your heart. They are the people you can share your secrets with, cry with, laugh with, and just have fun with. They don't judge you or make you change. They accept you exactly as you are. This was my Special Friend Kathy. I will cherish always the wonderful memories I have of this Special Woman!*

*Walt and Family, I send my deepest condolences to you during this most difficult time!*

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**Nancy Rosen** - December 29, 2021 at 09:56 PM

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“ *I was blessed to know Kathy through our work at IDS. I loved her smile and her laughter. She had a determined attitude to do her best at all times. She was friend to many at IDS and admired by them. I will her smile and sense of humor. I am greatly sorry for your loss.*

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**Joyce Veenstra** - December 29, 2021 at 08:34 PM