



Kathleen Anne Waca

October 26, 1948 - September 29, 2022

Princeton - Kathleen Anne Waca, 73, of Princeton, IL passed away on Thursday, September 29, 2022 at her home, surrounded by her loving family.

Kathleen was born in Princeton, IL to the late Carl and Patricia (Landers) Hultine on October 26, 1948. She was a graduate of Princeton High School, Class of 1966. She married the love of her life, Charles A Waca at St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Princeton on August 14, 1971. Kathy and Charlie had recently celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary.

Kathy worked many years at Citizens First National Bank in a variety of departments. Later she worked at the Bureau County Clerk's Office in the Courthouse from 1986 until retiring in 2014. In retirement Kathy worked part time at Bruce Jewelers in Princeton. She was an avid member of St. Matthews Lutheran Church where she took part in the Church Council, annual Spaghetti Supper, Puppet Ministry, Choir, Bell Choir, and was the softball team's #1 fan. She also was a member of the Bureau County Chorus.

Kathy's grandchildren meant the world to her. She loved their company and watching them in all of their activities. Kathy cherished her whole family and loved the time spent together, especially vacations and holiday gatherings.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Waca of Princeton; children, Chris (Jenifer) Waca of Princeton, Eric (Rachel) Waca of Princeton and Jennifer (Corey) Bacorn of Princeton; nine grandchildren, Aubree, Lincoln and Leland Waca, Avery, Alexandra and Brecken Waca, and Marissa, Noah and Ethan Bacorn; one great grandson, Duke Bacorn; one brother Jim (Cindy) Hultine of Santa Rosa Beach, FL; a brother-in-law, Edward Waca of Tiskilwa, IL; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews and so many cousins who will all greatly miss her.

Preceded in death by her parents Carl and Patricia Hultine.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Princeton, IL.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc & Monuments.

Services for Kathleen will be held at St. Matthews Lutheran Church Lutheran on Friday, October 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. officiated by Pastor Scott Schmidt. Graveside services to follow at Oakland Cemetery.

Online memorials and condolences may be directed to www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

Park Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.
701 E. Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Funeral Service

OCT 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

St. Matthews Lutheran Church

Graveside Service

OCT 7. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Oakland Cemetery
Park Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356

Tribute Wall

CA

“ Thinking of you Charlie and your family. Was so sad to hear the news. Sending love and prayers.
Carolyn House-Antonovitz

Carolyn House Antonovitz - October 20, 2022 at 08:43 AM

JD

“ Kathy was wonderful caring women. I worked with her and my husband has know her for years. So sorry for your loss. She will be missed deeply. She always had warm inviting smile.
Thinking of you all and praying for you
Jeanna and Mick Dow

Jeanna M Dow - October 07, 2022 at 11:29 AM

SR

“ Our deepest condolences to Charlie, Chris, Eric, Jennifer, and the Waca and Hultine families. My family has been blessed to be forever connected to Kathy and her family- my father had the privilege to be a groomsman in Kathy and Charlie's wedding and 30 years later I had the same privilege to do the same in their son's wedding. Kathy has left a wonderful legacy of loyalty, service, and unconditional kindness for others. Her legacy lives out in the way her three adult children do the same for others- an exponential gift of love for everyone that she has passed along and will be forever remembered in each and every interaction we have with her family that she loved.

Scott Ross - October 07, 2022 at 07:43 AM

JM

“ Kathy was such a lovely friend and classmate in PHS Class of '66. Always was so kind, positive, encouraging, full of life and light. Always good to check in with her at class reunions to find the same kind and loving person. Condolences to her family and many friends, Her passing leaves a hole in our hearts.

Jeanne Marsh - October 07, 2022 at 01:19 AM

MB

“ I first met Kathy through my late daughter in law Donna when she and Charlie were helping at the first Jay Braid a memorial golf outing and help they did at all nine of them. They were always so very nice to my husband Jim and me. Their sons were on the church softball team with my late son Jay Braid a too. My thanks and sympathy to Kathy's dear family. God bless.

Marilyn Braid a - October 06, 2022 at 03:29 PM

GS

“ Gary and Kathy Schmidt Swart purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Kathleen Anne Waca.



Gary and Kathy Schmidt Swart - October 05, 2022 at 10:27 PM

MG

“ So sorry to hear this news. I will always remember the kindness Kathy showed our family when we moved to Princeton in 1993. Such a great lady.

Maria Gold - October 05, 2022 at 10:19 PM

CM

“ I have known Cathy since high school, as her husband was in my class. My heart and deepest sympathy goes out to her family. You are in my prayers.

Carol Morris - October 05, 2022 at 10:01 PM

BT

“ So enjoyed Kathy as a neighbor when the kids were small. We moved to a different house but remember them living on the corner of South Vernon. Years later Eric worked at Champion with Dan. Kathy & Charlie raised a wonderful family. I will miss seeing her smile. With prayers, Dan & Bonnie Thompson.

Bonnie Thompson - October 05, 2022 at 07:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kathleen Anne Waca.



October 05, 2022 at 02:04 PM

BB

“ Kathy and I have been good friends since grade school. We not only classmates, but spent time together in Sunday School, Confirmation class, Luther League and church choir at St. Matthew's. I am so lucky we got to visit with each other at the last class reunion I attended. I am proud to say she was a good friend and such a good person. Rest in peace now, Kath. 💕

Bonnie Rumbold Bainbridge - October 05, 2022 at 01:41 PM

BD

“ Condolences to the family



Barry Dugosh - October 05, 2022 at 08:38 AM

DS

“ Kathy's family and mine were good friends when I was growing up. Lots of good memories. Sympathy to all her family.

Denise Lorenzen Schuster

denise schuster - October 04, 2022 at 11:35 PM

PR

“ I just loved Kathy Hultine Waca! So many marvelous reasons why! But you are reading this so I know that you too loved Kathy Hultine Waca! You already know every word that speaks of her! Her class, her gentle soul, kindness, great love of family, joyful nature and so much more!
What you don't know is what I will share with you now! Charlie and my husband were new teachers at Bureau Township School! Exactly the perfect school experience we all wished for our child! I tight knit community, the people warm and friendly. Charlie told Jim that he had a girlfriend- Kathy. They dated(went skiing a lot I recall) and became engaged. One of Kathy's relatives had a picture perfect bridal shower for Kathy. We ate & then played games! I won the first prize and enthusiastically opened the gift. Actually I win all of the prizes . I packed up my winnings and Kathy had all of her fabulously thoughtful gifts to contend with. We both packed up and left. By now interested reader , you may be thinking that some was not correct here & you would be correct. I'm not from the Midwest ! I'm from New England and certain traditions vary region to region. Years later I realized what I had done! I kept all of Kathy's prizes myself. No one ever told me differently. I so apologized to Kathy ! She was so sweet and kind. She had never mentioned this episode to me. She was so forgiving and understanding! Just the mark of what an awesome friend she truly was!! Charlie invited Jim to be in his wedding and to stand up with him. Kathy who really was being so gracious invited me to be at the gift table! A gorgeous wedding with Kathy as the centerpiece .Such a stunning bride ! A wonderful day to celebrate two super marvelous people! They really have experienced that lifetime of genuine happiness together! A life filled with love , commitment , family, & joy! Wow KATHY! You have had for sure the life most people dream of ! I am so blessed to have witnessed your entire 51 years of fulfillment together with Charlie! You will be so missed! May you Rest In Peace and Rise in Glory!

Patricia Ross - October 04, 2022 at 08:47 PM

CD

“ I am so sorry to hear this. Kathy was always such a very nice girl.
🙏 Thoughts and prayers to her family.

Carolyn Dailey - October 04, 2022 at 06:52 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kathleen Anne Waca.



October 04, 2022 at 02:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathleen Anne Waca.* ”



October 04, 2022 at 01:10 PM