



Barbara Cates

January 10, 1948 - April 21, 2021

Barbara Cates, 73, of Kankakee, passed away Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at her home.

She was born January 10, 1948 in Kankakee, the daughter of Charles and Agnes (Larson) Hall.

Barbara worked for Lang Distributing and Bunge. She also worked as a hospitality manager for many years. She loved going out to eat and spending time with friends and family. She enjoyed the outdoors, going on vacation with her sister, shopping, watching HGTV, and attending craft shows.

She was an avid supporter of Toys 4 Tots.

Barbara is survived by her son, Bob Best of Kankakee; daughter, Carrie (Kevin) McPherson of New Mexico; sister, Cindy (Scott) Thompson of Kankakee; three grandchildren, Roger, Connor, and Logan; nieces, Amy Torres of St. Anne and Melissa (Keith) Pommier of Kankakee; great nieces, Sophia Tores and Olivia Pommier; great Nephew, Daniel Pommier; and best friends, Sharon and Donna.

She is preceded in death by a brother, Roger Hall and her parents.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Barbara's honor to Uplifted Care.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Cates*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM



“ *I miss my sister just as much as the day she passed away we always joked about how we were twins just born 9 1/2 years apart. we had this thing where we would call each other at 9 pm every night just to say good night and I love you, I still look at the clock every night and tell her Good night, love you.. its still hard to talk about her without getting teary eyed. i miss her so much*

Cindy Thompson - October 01, 2022 at 02:34 PM



“ *Bobby & Carrie & family. So sorry for the loss of your Mom. Our Deepest Sympathy. Love & prayers.*



Tim & Vickie Bertrand - April 30, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ *Aunt barb was always a great aunt I love her so much always have and always will. Me and Claire will miss her asking if we wanted a rice krispy treat and a water when we would walk past her apartment every summer. It's sad to know my aunt is Gone forever. She will always be in my memories and heart and I will never forget her she was an amazing aunt and the best aunt anyone could wish for. Aunt barb was always so happy and never failed to make me smile thanks for caring for me I love you ❤️*

olivia pommier - April 29, 2021 at 10:33 PM

KB

“ As we grew up Barbara and I spent a lot time together. My Mom and Barb's Dad were brother and sister. So we spent time as family and good buddies. My Mother and father enjoyed many a good cup of coffee together with Barbara. We've lost another member of our family. God be with you Cindy and Bobby. She's with our loved ones in heaven.

Karen Bossert - April 29, 2021 at 09:24 PM

LM

“ Barb became part of our family once she moved in at Donna and Time place. She loved coming to all our Halloween parties. We even got her and Cindy to hide out in the woods and help scare the kids. One of my best memories was our Halloween party at Keith and Melissa house when Barb and JR got up and started dancing everyone was loving it. We sure will miss her. Barb was one of the nicest people you could ever meet. We Love you and miss you. You got your wings fly high !

Lorie Morrical - April 29, 2021 at 05:21 PM

AB

“ I knew Barb for so long. she was like a family to me since I was younger. i love her beautiful smile n sense of humor. I never forget that we used to work at the holiday Inn n we had good n bad days. love u, Barbara



Autumn Bentley - April 29, 2021 at 05:01 PM

AB

“ I knew Barb n her family for so long.. shes like a family to me.she treated me the way it should be.she was so special n funny lady that I always going to remember. Love you barb



Autumn Bentley - April 29, 2021 at 04:55 PM



“ Barb was a great friend. Over the years of her being our renter she became close to our family. She would always come upstairs to our house for the holidays. She was not just a friend but had become part of our family! We will miss her very much! We had some wonderful times together .Prayers for her family {our extended family}

Tim Pommier - April 27, 2021 at 08:37 PM

CT

THANK YOU TIM, BARBARA WAS SO PROUD OF HER HOME. SHE CARED ALOT FOR YOU AND DONNA .DONNA SISTER BECAME HER SISITERS, THANKS FOR SHARING CINDY

CYNTHIA S THOMPSON - April 29, 2021 at 04:21 PM

CT

THANK YOU DONNA. SHE LOVED YOU LIKE FAMILY.

CYNTHIA S THOMPSON - May 03, 2021 at 02:28 PM



“ We were neighbors on Minnie Creek. Bob and Barb Best, Bob and Barb LeClair. Those old days were good. Prayers for all.

Barbara Lee - April 26, 2021 at 07:41 AM

JB

“ So sad to hear this. Barb was a huge part of my life since I was young. The times I fell asleep on her couch while my parents played cards. We spent so much time with her. My mom being best friends with her and now they are celebrating together!!!! She will be missed. God speed Barb. Love ya lady!

Julie Bourassa - April 25, 2021 at 10:00 PM