



## Cynthia M. DeYoung

June 21, 1953 - February 9, 2025

Cynthia M. DeYoung, 71, of St. Anne, passed away Sunday, February 9, 2025, at Riverside Medical Center.

She was born June 21, 1953, in Kankakee the daughter of Perry and Elinor (Haake) DeYoung. She was a paraprofessional at St. Anne School for many years, she loved her students, they were everything to her. Even when she was unable to work, she still enjoyed her visits with them. She just adored her St. Anne School District. Cynthia was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church and was very active within it. She also enjoyed taking part in the religious education program.

Cynthia loved flowers and gardening. She enjoyed going to market for 20+ years, making the most beautiful flower bouquets and soap to bring there. She also enjoyed her morning cup of coffee and spending time with her beloved pets, Onyx and Millie. Cynthia had the most genuine soul and a servant's heart. She never met a stranger and would make friends wherever she went. She was an avid animal lover and liked to help in any way she could at the shelters. Most of all she loved spending time with her son, he was truly her greatest joy.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Austin and Elaina Tofte of Warrenville; brothers, Brian DeYoung of Bradley, David (Laura) DeYoung of

St. Anne, and Doug (Cindi) DeYoung of Florida; nieces and nephews, Jason, Adam, and Grant DeYoung, Clayton and Hannah DeYoung, Gavin DeYoung, as well as Justin, Jason, and Jamie DeYoung; cherished cousin, Bonnie DeYoung; special friends, Kim Emerson, Sandy Blanchette, Pat Larusso, Linda West, Brenda and Fred Pitts; and grandpuppy, Rori.

Preceding her in death are her parents; the father of her son, Rodney Tofte; cousin, Joe DeYoung; cat, Blossom and dog, Cuddles.

Visitation will be held Sunday, February 16, 2025, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Jensen Funeral Home, Kankakee. A second visitation will be held Monday, February 17, 2025, from 10 a.m. until the funeral mass at 11 a.m. at St. Anne Catholic Church. Burial will immediately follow at St. Anne Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the wishes of the family.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Anne Catholic Cemetery

St. Anne, 60964 (IL)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 16. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home  
3639 EAST State Route 17  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

## Visitation

FEB 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Anne Catholic Church  
230 N 6th Avenue  
St. Anne, IL 60964

## Mass

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Anne Catholic Church  
230 N 6th Avenue  
St. Anne, IL 60964



# Tribute Wall

MN

“ *Brian, Dave & Doug We are so sorry for your loss. Cindy was a very special person. Our prayers are with you and your family*  
*Mike & Lisa Norman*  
*Somerset Kentucky*

Michael Norman - March 03, 2025 at 03:52 PM

CV

“ *My deepest and sincere sympathy to the family. Please take comfort in the fact that Cynthia is now at peace and is enjoying everlasting happiness in heaven. May Almighty God Bless each of you and give strength to cope with your loss.*



Cynthia Vickery - February 16, 2025 at 04:48 PM

SC

“ *Cindy was full of light and laughter as she worked with a heart of joy every single day in our classroom. The students in our class and in the entire school are so lucky to have had her in their lives. My memories with Cindy will last forever. She is deeply loved.*

Sydney Couch - February 15, 2025 at 07:48 PM

CF

“ *Chad and Mary Nicholson and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*

Chad and Mary Nicholson and family - February 14, 2025 at 01:31 PM

CF

“ Chad and Mary Nicholson and family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.



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**Chad and Mary Nicholson and family** - February 14, 2025 at 01:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Cynthia M. DeYoung.

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February 14, 2025 at 12:41 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden* was purchased for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.



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February 14, 2025 at 12:41 PM

LA

“ Love Mia & Alan purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.



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**Love Mia & Alan** - February 13, 2025 at 04:49 PM

RC

“ *REP - St. Anne Catholic Church purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*



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**REP - St. Anne Catholic Church** - February 13, 2025 at 11:05 AM

JR

“ *John and Eileen Ryan purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*



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**John and Eileen Ryan** - February 12, 2025 at 08:20 PM

MW

“ *Mike and Madyson Wagner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*

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**Mike and Madyson Wagner** - February 12, 2025 at 03:55 PM

MW

“ *Mike and Madyson Wagner purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*



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**Mike and Madyson Wagner** - February 12, 2025 at 03:55 PM

CB

“ *Candi Brenneisen lit a candle in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung*



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**Candi Brenneisen** - February 12, 2025 at 03:46 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*



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February 12, 2025 at 03:39 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*

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February 12, 2025 at 02:30 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.*



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February 12, 2025 at 02:30 PM

EP

“ Sweetest lady, always gave me flowers when I would see her at the farmers market. 🕊️

eva pearl - February 12, 2025 at 12:01 PM

TC

“ Team Chicago purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.



Team Chicago - February 12, 2025 at 10:54 AM

MM

“ Marilyn Mulcahy lit a candle in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung



Marilyn Mulcahy - February 12, 2025 at 10:11 AM

MM

“ Cindy was a wonderful woman! I was always happy to work with her on projects at St. Anne Church. Rest in peace, dear lady ... Marilyn

Marilyn Mulcahy - February 12, 2025 at 10:11 AM

JS

“ *Judy Steele lit a candle in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung*



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**Judy Steele** - February 12, 2025 at 09:55 AM

MB

“ *Mary Blum lit a candle in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung*



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**Mary Blum** - February 12, 2025 at 01:09 AM

VP

“ *Vickie Page sent a virtual gift in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung*



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**Vickie Page** - February 11, 2025 at 11:20 PM

DE

“ *Ms. Cindy was one of my favorite staff members at St. Anne Grade School. She greeted everyone she knew with a kind smile. On the weekend's you'd see her at the farmers market in Kankakee. Her kindness, and loving personality was so infectious. She will be dearly missed.*

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**Delaney** - February 11, 2025 at 08:44 PM

DK

“ Darcy & Donn Kane lit a candle in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung



Darcy & Donn Kane - February 11, 2025 at 08:14 PM

WG

“ Wayne. Jill and. Grandma purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Cynthia M. DeYoung.



Wayne. Jill and. Grandma - February 11, 2025 at 05:21 PM

WG

“ Wayne. Jill and. Grandma planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia M. DeYoung.

Wayne. Jill and. Grandma - February 11, 2025 at 05:21 PM

MK

“ Cindy I know you are with Our Heavenly Father now, and I know you're still watching over Ryan. You were such a inspiration and a wonderful friend to me, and like a stand in mother at times for Ryan. You are always in my heart my dear friend ❤️ 🙏 🕊️



Mary B Kibbons - February 11, 2025 at 05:08 PM

CE

“ *Connie Eaker lit a candle in memory of Cynthia M. DeYoung*



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**Connie Eaker** - February 11, 2025 at 05:05 PM

MB

“ *Cindy was a wonderful, elevating presence not just to the children of St. Anne but to her coworkers and friends, too. I relied so much on her guidance and encouragement when I started at the grade school. The community of St. Anne was lucky to have her for so many years. I know her memory will be cherished for a long time to come.*

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**Madeline Bessemer** - February 11, 2025 at 04:18 PM

EM

“ *Cindy was a fierce friend and cheerful co-worker. Her bottomless care and compassion in her work at the grade school has touched the lives of each and every child and staff member in St. Anne. The community mourns her passing and fondly remembers her life in equal measure.*

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**Eric Morden** - February 11, 2025 at 03:56 PM

TB

“ *Cindy was one of the sweetest persons that we have ever met. Blending our families and sharing in the joy of our children in marriage was one of the greatest honors and blessings in our lives. Cindy will be missed beyond words. With all our love, Tim & Kim Bartoli*

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**Tim & Kim Bartoli** - February 11, 2025 at 02:07 PM

MK

*So sorry she was a great lady, worked with her at Farmer's market in Kankakee.*

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**MIKE and Kathy Kinz** - February 11, 2025 at 03:29 PM