



## Deborah A. Garretson

May 22, 1953 - February 19, 2026

Deborah Ann Garretson, 72, of Kankakee, passed away Thursday, February 19, 2026, at Citadel of Kankakee.

She was born May 22, 1953, in Kankakee, the daughter of Neal Young and Theresa (Cuddy) Sippel. On April 7, 1973, she married William “Bill” Garretson at First Baptist Church in Streator, Illinois. Deborah was a bookkeeper. She enjoyed bowling, puzzles, and playing games. Most of all she loved spending time with her family.

Deborah is survived by her husband, Bill Garretson; grandchildren, Skylar Garretson and Gavin Garretson; siblings, John (Kelly) Sippel; sisters-in-law, Barb (Wally) Phillips and Beth (Kevin) Wonders.

She is preceded in death by her son, Shawn Thomas Garretson; her parents; in-laws, Harold and Julia (Dunbar) Garretson; nephew, J.J. Sippel; as well as aunts and uncles.

Burial will be held at a later date at Aroma Park Cemetery. The family asks for donations to Uplifted Care of Bourbonnais or the Alzheimer’s Association.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Rest easy in Paradise my dear friend. My deepest sympathy to the family*



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**Bev Sorensen** - March 26 at 01:45 PM

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“ *Bill & family. Keeping you in my prayers during this difficult time.*



*Cathie (Sederstrand-Bergan) Miedema*

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**Catherine Miedema** - March 26 at 12:55 PM