



## Llora O'Neil Kranich

January 10, 1966 - April 17, 2023

Llora Jean O'Neil Kranich, age 57, of Kankakee, passed away Monday, April 17, 2023, at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee, after a battle with cancer.

She was born January 10, 1966, in Kankakee, the daughter of Gary and Katherine (Mote) O'Neil. Llora married James Kranich on November 25, 1989, in Kankakee. Llora loved her job as a school bus driver (driving Betsy-Lou) and enjoyed watching the Chicago Cubs.

She is survived by her husband, James Kranich of Kankakee; one daughter, Jenna Kranich of Kankakee; two sisters, Lisa (Kevin) Pedersen of Trail Creek, IN and Cyndi (Dwight) O'Neal of Bourbonnais; stepbrothers, Kevin (Collette) of Bourbonnais and Wes (Michele) Collette of Colorado; brother-in-law, Dennis Kranich of Dearborn, MI; her mother, Katherine (Joseph) Collette of Bradley; nieces, Amanda, Hillary, Jennifer, Kaleigh, and Kendra; nephews, Benjamin, Gary, and Jordan; and lifelong friend, Terri (Terry) Terrell of Bradley.

Llora is preceded in death by her father, Gary O'Neil; grandparents, Russell (Marcella) Mote, Mildred (Harry) O'Neil; mother and father-in-law, Harriett (Loren) Kranich; and daughter, Kylie Ann.

Visitation will be held at Jensen Funeral Home, 3639 IL-17, Kankakee, IL 60901, on Sunday, April 24, 2023, from 2:00PM - 5:00PM.

A funeral service will be held at Bradley First Church of the Nazarene at 195 N. Douglas Ave, Bradley, IL 60915, on Monday, April 24, 2023, at 11:00 AM. Cremation rites will be accorded.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **23**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home

3639 E IL-17

Kankakee, IL 60901

(815) 932-4001

<https://www.jensenmemorialchapel.com>

## Funeral Service

APR **24**. 11:00 AM.

First Church of the Nazarene in Bradley

Bradley, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Llora O'Neil Kranich*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM

MT

“ *This saddens me and prayers are with her family.*



**Mary Thomson** - April 23, 2023 at 06:40 PM

RA

“ *I worked with Llora. She was a hard worker and she always help out when ever they would need a driver. She was a good person. So sorry for your loss. My prays are with the family.*



**Roberta C Asher** - April 23, 2023 at 03:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Llora O'Neil Kranich.*



April 23, 2023 at 10:19 AM

LS

“ *Llori was like a second sister to me growing up. I have many fond memories of times spent at the O'Neil house on Longwood Drive. My condolences to the family. She will be missed.*

**Liana Ujwari Schade** - April 21, 2023 at 07:26 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Llorra O'Neil Kranich.*



April 20, 2023 at 04:01 PM

James Jones

“ *my favorite memory of you is with Terri at some of my tribute concerts that i held at The Majestic Theatre in Kankakee, IL Your love of music and really enjoying it with your friend stands out in mind as you sang along and danced! Rest In Peace and Sing Out Loud!*



James Jones - April 20, 2023 at 01:57 PM

TE

*Awe thanks for those kind words James! She REALLY was my concert buddy AND my Cubs buddy! I will miss her forever! My heart is so heavy with sadness.*

Terri - April 22, 2023 at 01:27 PM

KF

“ *Llorra and I covered the Kankakee High School after school Activities route at 5:30pm. Llorra covered the south side and I covered the north side. She had more kids on her bus than I did but she always got done before me. To this day I still don't know how she pulled that off without using a drone!! Llorra always enjoyed conversations, I'll always remember her for that. May God rest her soul and God bless all of those she left behind. She can now trade her CDL for an HDL "Heavenly Driver's License and join Donny Gray another bus driver who passed away 2 years ago from Covid 19 complications. Llorra always loved his wonderful smile, now she is too! Keith Foreman*



Keith E Foreman - April 20, 2023 at 12:46 PM

SG

“ *Shelley Greve lit a candle in memory of Llorra O'Neil Kranich*



Shelley Greve - April 20, 2023 at 11:43 AM



“ *Llora, sisters, and family were my next door neighbors for 20 years on Longwood. They played with my daughter Karen as our front yard was a meeting place for many and Llora was their guardian. She was there when I lost my Karen with love and hugs. She will be greatly missed in our hearts and lives. Our condolences to her family.*

Ellen Denton - April 20, 2023 at 09:51 AM

DF

“ *Our sincere sympathies for the families of Llora. She is truly missed. Friends forever,  
Diana & Scott Fitts*

Diana Fitts - April 20, 2023 at 06:08 AM

DF

“ *Diana Fitts lit a candle in memory of Llora O'Neil Kranich*



Diana Fitts - April 20, 2023 at 06:01 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Llora O'Neil Kranich.*



April 19, 2023 at 10:11 PM

HJ

“ *My Llora, my mama, my cheerleader for my babies! You will forever be in our hearts! Please by my babies guardian angel! Someday we will meet in heaven!  
Love you Jenna and Jim  
Heather Ben stevi carter Carson! ❤️❤️❤️*



heather Jacobson - April 19, 2023 at 09:25 PM

SA

“ My life will never be the same  
I'm so glad we became buds!!  
Will sure miss going to our concerts together.  
Lots of hugs and prayers for Jim and Jenna ❤️  
Love ya always. Sandra and Ed.

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**sandra** - April 19, 2023 at 09:08 PM

K(

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Llorra and her family during this difficult time. I  
remember having so much fun with her when we were kids.

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**Kim Lindley (Ewing)** - April 19, 2023 at 07:59 PM

DS

“ Thinking of all of you. Llorra was like another big sister to me when we were kids.

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**Dawn Simpson** - April 19, 2023 at 07:30 PM

BR

“ So sorry for your loss. Sending so much love to the family and my beautiful  
girlfriend Jenna I know its hard losing a mom.

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**Brianna** - April 19, 2023 at 06:13 PM