



Joan Kaye Stafford

June 14, 1953 - February 3, 2015

Joan Kaye (Hondorp) Stafford age 61, of Holland, passed away Tuesday, February 3, 2015 from Alzheimer's disease. Praise, she is finally free of this hideous disease. Joan is preceded in death by her father, Roger J. Hondorp, parents-in-law, Wayne and Margaret Stafford, and brother-in-law, James Stafford.

She is survived by her husband of 34 years, Greg; her mother, Virginia Hondorp; brother, Bill and Sue Hondorp; in-laws, Dave and Barb Stafford, Steve and Mary Stafford, and John and Lisa Stafford; many nieces and nephews. Joan graduated from Grand Rapids Central High School in 1971. She is a 1975 graduate of Hope College and received her Master's degree from Michigan State University. Joan taught fifth grade at North Godwin Elementary for 31 years. She will be remembered for her professionalism, warm smile, and loving heart. She loved teaching and being with young children. She will be missed by her many friends and family. Greg would like to thank these special friends who were there through all the stages of this long sad journey. Carol, Dave and Barb, Anne, John, Ana, Brenda and Karen. We would like to thank the Hospice team, especially Doug and Rebecca, for their kindness, dedication, and commitment to Joan in her passing with dignity. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospice of Holland. Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 7, 2015 at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland with Rev. Kate Meyer officiating. Burial will be in Forest Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m.

Friday, at the funeral home. www.langelandsterenberg.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Kaye Stafford*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"I am so sorry to hear about Joan's passing. She was an excellent mentor teacher to me. Thoughts and prayers for your family."*

Kerrieadams - May 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Hey Coach I'm so sorry to hear about your loss! Joan will be remembered as a beautiful and caring woman that loved us just as much as you have... She will be missed and Loved by Many"*

Monte - February 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *"So sorry for your loss. I taught with Joan at North Godwin in the 90's and remember what a kind and beautiful lady she was!Dorothy Ledbetter"*

A friend - February 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *"The most beautiful service for a most beautiful woman. Thank you, "Mrs. Staff", for all you have done for me and my family. Your strength and hope will live on within the hearts of everyone you touched. May God bless you abundantly."*

Christina - February 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“*"I was in her class and I'd have to say the bike ride we took with her was the best! She was a wonderful woman and a awesome teacher and my condolences To her family"*

Joshua Mosley - February 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“*"Greg - I am so sorry for your loss. I have not seen you in years but I am sure you and Joan had many years of happiness together. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family."*

Susan Walter - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GM

“*"Thank you so much for the knowledge and support from you and your family"*

Garret McShane - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“*"Greg: Sorry, but i forgot to sign my entry. Bob Gregorski"*

A friend - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“*"Coach, Remembering Joan, her warm and loving smile, always a kind and gentle face to see, and her peaceful presence. Keeping you in our prayers, asking that God surround you with His love during this time of loss. Jennifer Smith"*

Jennifer Smith - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CI

“Staff, I'm sorry for your loss. Mrs. Stafford was my favorite teacher and treated each and every one of us as her children rather than her students. She will surely be missed. You and your family are in my prayers.”

Clarence Stamps II - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DE

“I had the honor of getting to know Joan through the "Hope Girls" dinner group which met monthly. We had other memorable experiences together, such the van mishap during a girls' getaway to Chicago. Joan, definitely was a light to the group, and will be greatly missed. Prayers for comfort to Greg and her family.”

Deb - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“my family and I would like to extend our sympathy to you and your family. Joan was a wonderful teacher to my boys. So sorry I m not able to attend the funeral but my thoughts are with everyone.”

dianne scott - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM