



Kathleen Burghardt Doctor

February 10, 1948 - March 16, 2015

Sixty seven years ago God sent an angel to earth to be with us. On March 16, 2015 God took the angel back to be with him. Kathie was truly an angel. A registered nurse who worked at Crouse Irving Memorial Hospital for over 35 years, five years in Pediatrics and the rest in the Neonatal Intensive Care unit. Her passion was taking care of her three boys; sons, Aaron of LaFayette and Kent of E. Syracuse and her husband of 46 years, Laverne. Since her retirement, she worked extensively in her flower gardens. She spent hours taking care of her horse "Joe" and the other horses, cats and dogs on the "farm". She was a mainstay at her church, St. James in Skaneateles, where she was a member of the Altar Guild, Stephen Ministry and Bible Study. She was a volunteer teacher's aide at Meacham School. Kathie's love of horses came from her mother, Doris and her father, Arthur Burghardt (deceased) who owned the Scenic Valley Riding Stables. Her three sisters are Susan Lande (Bruce) deceased, Dottie Anderson and Jill George (Russell); a brother, John Burghardt; her second set of brothers and sisters are Ronald Doctor (Doreen), Reverend Ginny Doctor, Delores Doctor, Melvin Doctor (Deceased) Allan Doctor and Randy Doctor. She is also survived by an aunt and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. A funeral service will be held on Monday, March 23, 2015 at St. James Church, Skaneateles at 10:30 AM. Calling hours are on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette from 3 to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Hospice of CNY or the St. James Building

Fund.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kathleen Burghardt Doctor*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - March 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathies to Vern and the family. Kathy was always a sweet person, even back in high school. And from her photo on here, she never changed on the outside either. May our Lord hold her in his arms for ever more. Always Burt and Jean Smith*

March 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vern: Just learned of the passing of your bride Kathleen. May she rest in peace*

March 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *LaVerne and family,
When I think of Kathy, the first thing I remember is her smile -
always kind and a friend to all of us classmates. Her long career as
a caring nurse speaks for itself - I'm sure she made a wonderful
difference to all her tiny patients and their families.
Please know that she will be remembered with love - and that we
are keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.*

Molly (Ryan) Gray

March 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Doc & Family:*

*I was saddened to learn of Kathy's passing. I wish you peace and
quiet in the coming days and hope that our Good Lord will hold all of
you in the palm of His Hand.*

My deepest sympathy.

Tom G. Murphy

March 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Your obituary for Kathy said we were given time with an angel. I
knew Kathy from the NICU and was always impressed by the loving
care she showed to the babies, their families and to those around
her. Her presence made us better people*

March 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I worked with Kathy in the NICU and she was always smiling. She spoke of her 'boys' with such love. May she rest in peace.*

March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *LaVerne, I am so sorry to read of Kathie's passing. It seems like yesterday we were all in school, well, maybe a couple of yesterdays, but still very fresh in my mind. My prayers are with you and your family.*

March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our heartfelt condolences to you Laverne; Kathie was a grand nurse and fun to golf with. May she rest in peace. Charlie and Maureen Mirucki*

March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so sad to hear of Kathie's passing. I had the privilege of working with her Mom and Kathie, incredible caring nurses. I also enjoyed estate saling with Kathie... omg so funny, always had to make a purchase so no one's feelings would be hurt. Will be missed , so missed, RIP my friend... who more than anything adored and loved her husband and sons. Am so sorry for your loss, and ours... Rhonda Sunman*

March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sad to hear of Kathie\\\'s passing. I had the privilege of working with her for many years in the NICU and becoming better friends the last several years. She had this wicked sense of humor, and when she really thought something was funny, her laugh was just infectious ! I know she loved her sons, Verne, and her family. She spoke so often of all of you with lots of love. I just cannot believe this kind spirit is no longer with us. Kathie - may your spirit soar with peace, love, and joy on your journey to join your loved ones who have already passed on before you and to be in the presence of God. Rest in peace, and I pray for your family during this time of hurt and loss. My condolences to all of you who loved her.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Laverne, Aaron and Kent. I am so sorry to see of Kathy\'s passing. She will be greatly missed by everyone she came in contact with. We had some good times golfing and working school events. We will be unable to attend her services due to the fact that we are out of state. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family.

Marlene & Ken Bistrovich

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Laverne...I am so sorry to learn of Kathie\'s passing. Thinking of you and your family at this most difficult time. With sympathy...Janice Harvey

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family of Kathie. She was such a great nurse and a wonderful asset to the Crouse NICU. I learned so much from her in my years working with her. She will be sadly missed by all of the people she has touched including all of her coworkers she spent so much time helping and working with. God only takes the best.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Our sincerest condolences to the Doctor and Burghardt families. She really does seem like an angel. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers...May she rest in peace

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. I have known Kathy for many years. Her smile is unforgettable. She shall be missed.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Verne,
So sorry to learn of your loss of your beloved Kathie.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.
Keith & Cathy Gage

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Kathie - a wonderful and warm woman, as well as a valued and caring member of the St James congregation. Our prayers are for Kathie's family as they suffer the loss of this woman they love, and we celebrate the certainty they will be reunited.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Doc So sorry for your loss

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Laverne, We were deeply saddened to hear about KATHY. She was a great person and fun to be with. You and your family have our deepest sympathies. We will be out of town for the services.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Vern I want to express my deepest sympathy to you and your family. My thoughts and prayer's are with you all in your time of loss.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Vern & Family, please except my condolences for the loss of your wife and mother. I so wish that I was home so that I could give you this message in person.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Laverne and sons, We are so sorry for your loss of such a wonderful person..Rest in Peace,Kathy..Will miss you..Cousin Eddy Burghardt and Flo

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so very lucky to work with Kathy many years ago in the NICU at Crouse. What a wonderful person. I am so sorry for your loss.

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy for you loss Doc!

March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Laverne, Aaron and Kent: Dean and I are so sorry for your loss. Kathy was such a good person and we will miss her. We are in Florida right now so we will miss her services. Please know that our prayers are with you and all your family. God bless you all.

March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear of the loss of Kathie, a wonderful nurse and friend. She will be missed by all the nurses who worked with her at Crouse in the NICU. We always had great times working together. She was very generous and helpful to me when my father passed away and I will never forget her.

March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *LaVern, So very sorry for your loss. Kathy fought a long battle with this illness but will be at peace now.*

Jo

March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vern,
I was extremely saddened to read the news. We're out of state but you are in my thoughts friend.
pat mullin*

March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Laverne,
Warm, kind, caring and gracious will always describe Kathie for me. We knew each other for many years playing golf together in the Twilight League at the Pompey Club. She was also lots of fun as we all struggled with our golf games. Praying for you and your family.*

March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Laverne and family,

Jerry and I are visiting family out of state. We are so sad for you. She was a wonderful person great friend and co-worker. You will always be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Linda and Jerry V

March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss LaVerne, Kathy was so pretty and always smiling.....Cindy*

March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Kathie, it just seems like a terrible nightmare and I just can't believe this has happened. You were so courageous and brave thru your illness. I was praying so hard for a miracle but I guess God needed you more. Now, you are pain free and in a wonderful place with people that loved you so. You were an angel on earth now you're an angel in the Spirit World...rest easy. I will always miss and love you. Love always, Delores*

March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM