



Violet Kathryn "Kathy" Dukes

August 13, 1936 - July 27, 2020

Mrs. Violet Kathryn "Kathy" Siemssen Dukes, age 83 of Eatonton, passed away Monday, July 27, 2020. Celebrations of her life are planned for Fall 2020 in Eatonton, Georgia and in Mobile, Alabama.

Mrs. Kathy was born on August 13, 1936 in Mobile, Alabama to the late Theodore Siemssen and the late Alice Robbins Siemssen. Mrs. Kathy was a natural caregiver, working as a Registered Nurse for 50 years, spending the last 40 years at DeKalb Medical Center before retiring in 2011. She was a kind friend who always sent the most thoughtful gifts to family and friends. She never missed a birthday card or a Valentine's Day card or any card at all. She loved celebrations and always found party hats for birthdays, pumpkins for Halloween, and innumerable holiday sweaters for the Christmas season. Mrs. Kathy was also a supportive member of Lake Oconee Lutheran Church. She enjoyed mountains, white sandy beaches and Disney World, always looking forward to playing in the snow and ocean and visiting Mickey Mouse. But what she loved the most was spending time with her beloved husband, children, and grandchildren. From attending her sons' high school football games, to watching her daughter cheer, Mrs. Kathy couldn't wait to attend the next event. When her grandchildren arrived, she loved every moment with them, whether that meant sitting through graduations, celebrating a Sweet Sixteen birthday or sitting on the floor with trucks and arts & crafts.

Mrs. Kathy is survived by her husband Robert Dukes of Eatonton, sons Dr. Steven (and wife Suzanne) Dukes of Florida, and Major Michael(RET) (and wife Stacy) Dukes of Colorado, daughter Diane (and husband Andy) Hatfield of North Carolina, and grandchildren Ariel and Jillian Dukes of Florida, Danielle Dukes of Colorado, and Madison and Wesley Hatfield of North Carolina.

To express condolences and sign the guest book please visit www.williamsfuneral.net [williamsfuneral.net]. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital [stjude.org] or Boys Town [support.boystown.org].

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Tribute Wall

BM

“ My husband and I met Kathy and Robert at Rock Eagle several years ago and shared many enjoyable Sunday lunches with them. They were such a joy. Kathy will be sorely missed. Barbara and Jerry Martin

Barbara Martin - August 15, 2020 at 10:23 AM

PH

“ My Heartfelt Condolences to the Dukes family. Kathy will be missed by all. I'm glad I had the pleasure of knowing her.

Pamela Hatfield

Pamela Hatfield - August 13, 2020 at 07:37 PM

DG

Kathy Dukes, I will miss our phone call dearly. Rest well in Heaven. Robert You are in my Prayers. Blessings to the family. Kathy and I worked together for DeKalb Medical, always kept in touch after retirement. Dottie Graves

Dottie Graves - August 14, 2020 at 08:22 AM

JM

“ I worked with Kathy at Dekalb General Hospital. Kathy was in the OR and I was in the Recovery area. She was great nurse and very dedicated.

I am not sure when she moved to Lake Oconee. We moved here in 2001. One day we found each other in Publix. We decided to have lunch one day and plans were made. Kathy in the mean time was sick and made frequent trips to John Hopkins. Kathy however stayed very close to her family and adored the grandchildren. I will miss Kathy, praying for your father and all of you. 🙏 Janette McCollum

Janette Mccollum - August 06, 2020 at 07:55 PM

SD

“ My heart goes out to Uncle Robert, Steve, Michael, Dianne and family. So many memories of Aunt Kathryn experienced through the years. Sending love from our family to yours.

Shari

shari dukes - August 05, 2020 at 10:40 PM

KS

“ Kathryn was a very kind and sweet lady.I met her at Lake Oconee Urgent Care and she was very pleasant to talk to.I will miss her.Kay Smith

kay smith - August 03, 2020 at 04:46 PM

KW

“ Our heart aches with sadness. Prayers and peace for the family. Kacky was the sweetest woman and a welcome smile each time she and Robert visited Dian and Andy. Perpetual love for her family and grandchildren, we so enjoyed the joy watching Kacky with both Maddie and Wes. We will fondly remember these moments. Such an incredible example of love and kindness. She will be missed.

Ken & Barb Wheeler - August 02, 2020 at 11:44 AM

CC

“ Kathryn with tears in my eyes and sadness in my heart I am lost for words because I will miss your visits and your laughter. You are the cousin that I always followed around when you were a teenager and I just a little pest under your feet. You were not only dear to Don and I as we got to be adults and visited each other but you were loved and special to my Mother, Daddy and my whole family. I will always cherish the great times we had at Mardi Gras and at the beach never forgetting the time you and Diane stayed at our condo in Gulf Shores during a possible hurricane when others were evacuated. You always were a brave soul and liked an adventure. Kathryn your smile and laugh will always be imprinted in my mind and head. I will miss our calls. Have fun up in heaven with Mother, Aunt Alice, Uncle Theo, Daddy, L.T and Edward plus all the others that I know welcomed you right into paradise. I know I will see you again one day but until then I will keep that beautiful smile implanted in my head. Love you my dear cousin and friend. Carolyn and Don Clay

Carolyn and Don Clay - August 01, 2020 at 06:06 PM

CM

“ Growing up across the street from Mrs Kathy, I remember in great detail when she first got that black Z Car sports car. I loved to watch it go zooming up that long driveway in Tucker. A classy lady and like a second mom to me. My family always knew we could count on the Dukes for anything. Every Christmas I couldn't wait to see the lights in their house come on to call over there and see what Santa brought (I still remember the phone number).
May God bless this sweet family during this time. Prayers for you. Run with the angels, Mrs Kathy! Well done, good and faithful servant. Your reward is ready.

Chris Meadows - July 31, 2020 at 09:12 PM

JO

“ Jackie Osgood lit a candle in memory of Violet Kathryn "Kathy" Dukes



Jackie Osgood - July 31, 2020 at 02:57 PM

MS

“ I am so sorry for the passing of Kathryn. We talked on the phone a lot. We recently talked about Christmas, one of her favorite holidays and what to get the grandchildren. She loved the grandchildren so much. I will miss her smile and our talks. She is now in heaven and at peace with the Lord.

Maria Slay - July 31, 2020 at 05:48 AM

BB

“ Dearest Cathy your loss has been a horrid shock to all of us who know you and love you . We met 33 years ago at the Atlanta airport when you brought Steve to reunite with Suzanne! It seems like it was yesterday. We didn't spend a lot of time together but every time I look at Steve I see your beautiful face. Rest In Peace my friend and if you bump into my folks in heaven make friends with them. I know that god will wrap his arms around you and keep you safe till we meet again. Love forever barbara

Barbara Berger - July 30, 2020 at 06:19 PM

DW

“ Kathy was such a loving, caring person. She brightened up my day any time I had the pleasure of talking to her. I am sincerely grieved at her passing, and I know her family will miss her terribly. I am so glad I got to know her. She was a true "Child of God".

Donna West - July 30, 2020 at 08:57 AM

ES

Elayne Shapiro

Elayne Shapiro - July 30, 2020 at 06:02 PM

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*Dearest Kathy,
You are so missed. I loved our family get togethers at holidays through the years. Barbara and I enjoyed your company and the laughs we had together. You will forever be in our hearts and in our thoughts. ❤️*

Elayne Shapiro - July 30, 2020 at 06:06 PM

SM

My family and I send love to all of the Dukes family over the death of Kathy. I can't believe what I've read and - yet - I know it must be true. You know I love all of your family and please know you're in my prayers. May God bless you through this sad time.

Susan Meadows

Susan Meadows - July 30, 2020 at 08:29 PM

PL

I will certainly miss Mrs. Dukes and our many conversations over the years. It took a little time for the shock of her passing to sink in. Thanks for calling me Diane. I know all of you will miss her terribly.

Patricia Lee

Patricia Lee - August 06, 2020 at 09:59 PM