



## Kerry Heaton

April 14, 1955 - May 28, 2020

Karen Dee “Kerry” Mathew Heaton died May 28, 2020, at her home near Robertsdale, Ala., after an-18 month struggle with cancer. She was 65. She dealt with her illness with a positive outlook and great sense of humor.

Kerry was born April 14, 1955, in Oskaloosa, Iowa, the daughter of James F. and Betty L. Mathew. She was a 1973 graduate of Oskaloosa High School where she participated in many activities, especially theatre and vocal music. She attended the University of Missouri where she was a member of the Alpha Phi sorority and then attended William Penn College from which she graduated in 1977.

Kerry married Carl Lee Heaton in Oskaloosa on August 19, 1978. They lived in Oskaloosa for a number of years where she worked for APAC telemarketing firm and then moved to Rochester, Minnesota area after she completed training as a physical therapist assistant for many years.

Upon her retirement in 2017, she and Lee began traveling in their RV and spent winters in southern Alabama. They also spent summers in Minnesota state parks where she and Lee were campground hosts. Kerry enjoyed Broadway musicals and especially joining her mother on a trip to see Broadway musicals and Ellis Island in New York City. She also loved to read fictional novels and solve jigsaw puzzles.

Kerry is survived by her husband, Lee Heaton; her son, C.J. Heaton and his wife, Jessica, of Omaha, Neb.; her daughter, Katie Kilburg and her boyfriend, Ryan Freeman, of Long Lake, Minn.; Steve Heaton and his wife, Kendra, of

Oskaloosa; Cara and her fiancé, Todd Sage, of Oskaloosa; her grandchildren, Abby Heaton, Reed Heaton and Grant Heaton of Omaha and Jesse Kilburg of Long Lake, Minn. Amanda Jones (Jacob), Alex Heaton (Andrea), and Lake Heaton, of Oskaloosa, Arik Sille, and Mikayla Adkins (Bret), of Oskaloosa, and 7 great-grandchildren; her brother, John Mathew and his partner Stephen DePenna of Webb Lake, Wis., and her sister, Julie Mulford and her husband Ron Mulford of Taylors Falls, Minn.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James F. and Betty L. Mathew, and a grandson Jordan Heaton.

Her remains will be cremated as per her wishes.

A visitation for Kerry Heaton with the family present will be held from 1 – 3 p.m., on Saturday, June 27, 2020, at Langkamp Funeral Chapel. According to the rules put in place by the Iowa Department of Public Health, proper social distancing and reasonable personal protective equipment is advised for attending this public event. Langkamp Funeral Chapel is handling Kerry's final arrangements. In lieu of flowers or cards, the family asks that memorials be made to your local hospice or cancer awareness groups.

# Previous Events

## Family Greeting Time

JUN 27. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory  
2116 N 3rd St  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Kerry Heaton

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ So sorry for your loss Lee. Whenever i met Kerry on the street she would always speak.

Sherry Werner - June 20, 2020 at 08:09 PM



“ Lee and Families Sorry for of your loss . My thoughts and prayers are with you now and for the days ahead. Delores Morgan Cundiff of Kirksville Ia The daughter of John D and Relda M Morgan of Elm Grove Country School Community

Delores Morgan Cundiff - June 12, 2020 at 09:42 PM



“ Sorry to hear of your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Nancy Jane Stapp McCurdy



Nancy Jane Stapp McCurdy - June 08, 2020 at 08:38 PM



“ Lee, my condolences to you and your family.  
Kathy De Kock Harding

Kathy Harding - June 01, 2020 at 05:38 PM

DM

“ *Dick & Cindy Mott-Brown lit a candle in memory of Kerry Heaton*



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**Dick & Cindy Mott-Brown** - June 01, 2020 at 04:27 PM

JE

“ *Julie Van Englehoven lit a candle in memory of Kerry Heaton*



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**Julie Van Englehoven** - June 01, 2020 at 01:51 PM

RO

“ *Sorry to hear of Kerry's passing. Prayers for the family. Robert and Patti Mitrison*

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**Robert** - June 01, 2020 at 07:34 AM

SH

“ *Sorry for your Loss. Sending prayers from the Rapp family.*

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**sharon Vander Hart** - May 31, 2020 at 11:48 AM

KD

“ *Sending prayers to your family. Kerry was a wonderful friend and classmate.*



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**Kevin Diers** - May 31, 2020 at 11:26 AM

DE

“ Denny lit a candle in memory of Kerry Heaton



Denny - May 31, 2020 at 08:29 AM

DE

*I'm so sorry for your families huge loss.*

Denny - May 31, 2020 at 08:30 AM

BF

“ Such sad news, our words with friends game will never be the same. Rest In Peace dear friend and classmate. #NOMOREPAIN❤️  
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Barb Fisher - May 30, 2020 at 10:44 PM

PM

“ Lee, I am so sorry to hear about Kerry's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Patsy Moffet - May 30, 2020 at 06:54 PM

VW

“ I'm sorry for your loss cousin Lee

vicky Wood - May 30, 2020 at 06:49 PM

CP

“ I remember Kerry as a kind hearted person with a fun and wicked sense of humor. She was a joy to be around and I learned alot from her. She was an amazing performer in theatre productions. I was happy to hear she had a loving family and even great grandkids.

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**Cynthia Posovich** - May 30, 2020 at 05:47 PM



“ Lee and family....I am so so sorry for your loss....may the Angels wrap their loving arms around all of you and give you comfort and peace.

*Bob & Pat Draughn*



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**Patricia Draughn** - May 30, 2020 at 02:51 PM

LY

“ Sweet Kerry. I worked with her at APAC for many years. Prayers and condolences to the family

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**lynette** - May 30, 2020 at 01:33 PM