



Theresa Cecelia Kent

February 13, 2020

Theresa (Terri) Cecilia Kent passed away at her home on February 13, 2020 after battling cancer. She was 80 years old. Terri was born in Uniontown, Pennsylvania to William Henry Kelly and Mary Theresa Kelly. She had one older brother, Charles.

Terri graduated from Mount Saint Macrina Academy in 1957. In 1965, she graduated with a BS in Education from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

She first met Brian Kent on a blind date in Pittsburgh in January 1966. They married in 1967 and celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary last June.

Terri humbly lived her faith and dedicated her life to serving others. She worked as an elementary school teacher in Pittsburgh, Uniontown, State College, and Lewistown, all in Pennsylvania. Later, she earned a MS in Human Development and Family Studies from Colorado State University and worked as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist for over 20 years. As a therapist, she counseled countless foster children, individuals, and families. All the while, Terri was a dedicated mother and raised four compassionate, intelligent, and strong-willed daughters. More recently, she selflessly advocated on behalf of the homeless, migrants at the border, and survivors of domestic violence. In both her professional and personal life, Terri approached

all people equally as children of God.

Terri loved the mountains, hiking, reading, cooking, plays, musicals, and travel. Like her mother before her, Terri loved music, especially jazz, and was a talented piano player who also gave lessons. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, and spending time with dear friends, new and old. She was a lifelong learner and regularly took classes on an array of subjects.

Terri is survived by her husband, Brian Kent; her daughters Mary Kent, Suzanne Kent, Roberta Kent, and Megan Van Kent; her sons-in-law Brad Hanson, Brian Loner, and Jeffrey Van Kent; and her grandchild Roland Van Kent. She was predeceased by her brother, Charles Kelly.

The service has been cancelled at this time due to restrictions on gatherings.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to either Homeward Alliance (website: www.homewardalliance.org/how-to-help) or Project Self-Sufficiency (website: www.bringthepower.org/donate).

Tribute Wall



“ Goes Funeral Care & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Theresa Cecelia Kent



Goes Funeral Care & Crematory - May 24, 2021 at 12:09 PM

NT

How beautiful Thank you for sharing. Her life was surrounded with a lot of love

Nancy Tessari - May 30, 2021 at 04:06 PM

FN

Beautiful, happy, and poignant memories of a truly wonderful lady and friend! Thanks for sharing Terri's lovely daughters!

Fran Nelson - May 30, 2021 at 06:39 PM



“ Theresa Cecelia Kent

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM

SN

“ *What a lovely tribute to your Mom! I can't believe how much you girls look like her! I miss chatting with her across the street-----We thought so much alike!*

Sharon Nordic - June 01, 2021 at 09:49 PM

RK

“ I met Terri in Graduate School. We shared Office areas in Private Practice Counseling for many years. She was a master at giving the most carefully thought out responses to any questions or concerns that I shared with her. Completely non-judgemental and always humble. I knew that if I asked Terri something it would be a solid, grounded answer. I will miss her beautiful, yet humble, wisdom. Her constant dedication to caring and healing hurting people will never be forgotten. Bless you Terri!!

Robin Kepler

Robin Kepler - March 18, 2020 at 05:01 PM

DB

“ Terri played an important role in me becoming Catholic. My wife Sharon was Catholic and our daughters were baptized Catholic. So many years ago I asked Terri about it and she helped me become a catechumen. She was always there when I had questions and even had a priest come to their house to talk to my family and me about the church. I have the Bible Terri and Brian gave me after the Easter Mass that year. Becoming a Catholic was important for both me and my family and I always will be grateful for Terri's help. Terri and Brian had us over to their home for many barbecues with our daughters & the girls had sooo much fun playing badminton. Terri was a very special , caring lady. Our Deepest Sympathy. Dave & Sharon Betters, Renee & Kris.

David & Sharon Betters - February 29, 2020 at 05:52 PM

MK

Always fond, fond memories of our families together. We don't realize we are creating them until we look back. I am grateful for all the laughs our families had together💜

Mary Kent - March 09, 2020 at 01:08 AM

CM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Carol Moore - February 24, 2020 at 11:23 AM

CM

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Carol Moore - February 22, 2020 at 12:58 PM

MO

“ *Theresa was a very dear friend. We graduated from Mt. Macrina Academy together and attended several reunions at the Mount. I will miss her very much. Even though we lived so far from each other, we shared many conversations through emails over the years. My sympathy to all the family.*
MaryAnn Owen from Ft. Myers, Florida

Mary Ann Owen - February 19, 2020 at 10:08 AM

DP

My God, now I saw the text, I'm so sad, Terry was a very good friend. She help me a lot. She was a fantastic woman. God is lucky to have a soul like her together

Denisson Couto Pimenta - May 31, 2020 at 01:02 PM