



Nancy Kertz

September 19, 1934 - February 9, 2011

Obituary of Nancy Kertz

NANCY CARBINO KERTZ, 76, of Fruitland Park, Florida, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 9, 2011. She was born September 19, 1934 in Westerly, Rhode Island. She graduated high school in Gardiner, Maine and received her nursing training in Portland, Maine. She worked as a nurse at the VA Hospital in Togus, Maine prior to marrying a Naval Officer, Jacob Kertz. With their two children, James and Lora, they lived throughout the United States and Japan. After Jake retired from the Navy, they lived for six years in New Hampshire where Nancy received a degree from New England College. The family moved to Florida in 1977 and Nancy changed her career to elementary education where she taught at Skeen Elementary and St. Paul's Catholic School for 29 years. She was named Lake County Teacher of the Year in 1992. She was preceded in death by her sisters, Ellen Cassidy and Judith Martin and her parents, James and Medeline(Dowell)Carbino. Nancy loved everyone especially the small children in her classes. She adored cats. She enjoyed traveling and visited most of the countries in East Asia and Europe. She is survived by her husband, Jacob D. Kertz of Fruitland Park, FL; son, James(Kelly)Kertz of Leesburg, FL; daughter, Lora Kertz of Hollywood, FL and many extended family and friends.

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Memorial Donations

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ It's been a long time since first grade, but I've never forgotten Nancy Kertz and her wonderful way of teaching and educating us all. I still have a picture of her giving birthday licks, and throwing her annual Thanksgiving breakfast. She used to tell me that my freckles were kisses from God. My thoughts are with her family and loved ones.
Joel D. Boling & Family 1st Grade Class of 1990-1991

Joel Boling - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LK

I love you Mom. I miss you Mom. Thank you for waiting for me. Lora Kertz

Lora Kertz - June 21, 2022 at 07:23 PM

JJ

Thinking of you, as it doesn't seem so long ago. You will be always remembered for your ability to solve any problem with a smile on your face. You may be missed, but never forgotten. God bless you, always.

Jjoseph B. Cassidy, III - March 05, 2023 at 04:49 PM

CP

“ Mrs. Kertz was my all time favorite teacher, she taught me so much as a child. Always a kind smile and word. I truly hope that I can touch children the way she did. She was definitely an inspiration for me to become a teacher.

Cyndi Page - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Mrs. Kertz taught my sister and two of my brothers and was a teacher at Skeen when I attended there. She was such a sweet lady. She was so helpful during our families time of need when my brother had his liver transplant. My mom use to love eating lunch with her and bringing snacks to her class. She will be deeply missed!

Maile - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ Jake, our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time. Nancy was a wonderful and kind person that loved life and was always willing to help everyone.

Haydee Waters - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I was deeply saddened to learn of Nancy's passing. If not for her, Diane and I would not have found each other and gotten married 34 years ago. She was always like a second mother to me, both in Japan and here in New Hampshire. I will always remember the great times our families shared together; she, you, mom and dad. Her Siamese cats and beloved Patriots. My condolences and love to you, Jake, Lora and Jim.

John Stump - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Dear Jake, Kelly, and Jim: Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at your time of sorrow. Nancy was an amazing lady and we will miss her very much. Our love, Chris Hicov and family

Chris Hicov and Family - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

Jl

“ Nancy was a very dear person, and always had a kind word for everyone she met. She was always full of energy, and always had a lot of 'get-up-and-go' spirit. I will miss her terribly. May she rest in peace. Now the the Carbino clan is completely together again, and they weill never be apart from each other ever again. She was an inspiration to me, and I'm sure she was also inspired many others to go forth, and do all that they could. She didn't believe that you should ever give up on your goals. She always was interested in what I was doing; how I was progressing, and that is what I believe that i will miss most about Nancy. God love you, and so do I. Now, as I go about my daily activities, I know that you will be watching over me, and always know what I'm doing. You will be forever in my heart. And knowing that the Carbino family is complete once more, is just one more reason to believe that anything is possible. A void has been left, but will be filled when we join you. God bless you, Nancy Carbino Kertz.

Joseph B. Cassidy, III - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

"H

“ Our Aunt Nancy...always laughing, always smiling. You could not be unhappy around Aunt Nancy! Impossible. Such joy she had for life. She never lost that New England accent and I will always be able to hear her in my mind. She loved to travel always looked forward to the next trip to somewhere. We went to some really awesome places together. Memories one can't forget of places in the world we were so lucky to visiti and to visit together. She loved all creatures, especially cats. She mad cat friends everywhere we went, in fact I knew Nan from the time I could first talk and it was many years before I realized she wasn't REA:LLY my aunt. But "Aunt" was a term of edearment I got to use for Nan. She was truly one in a million...a very special individual She truly became part of the fabric of my life and many, many others who loved her. She truly will be missed. We love you, Nan. "Cookie"

"Cookie" (Anderson) Hudson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Nancy Kertz was my dearest friend. She and Jake were "second parents" to my children. We will truly miss Nancy and send our love to Jake, Jim, Kelly, and Lora.

Rae Anderson and family - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Nancy was an incredible person and will be greatly missed. She rarely missed an opportunity to teach, whether you were a first grade student or a first year principal. Her love of reading and her love of children was demonstrated in all that she did. My thoughts are with the Kertz family.

Charlie McDaniel - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ To All of Nancy's Family: We were very fortunate to know this very special lady, and to have her in our extended family. My daughter, Heather, enjoyed the time that she got to spend with Miss Nancy and she will be deeply missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. God Bless

Ken & Debi Pierce and Richard & Heather Vega - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ Uncle Jake, Jim and Kelly, We are so sad that we lost Aunt Nancy. She was one of a kind, we really enjoyed her. Wish we were closer so that we could have spent more time with her. We will surely miss her and never ever forget her. We have many good memories of our visits . We love You Aunt Nancy Jack, Francine, Braxton and Brayden Cassidy.

Francine Cassidy - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Ms. Nancy, You will be missed by us. You were an excellent teacher and you did a wonderful job with Dallas. Your love for the kids, was evident with each interaction with the kids. I wish only peace and comfort for Mr. Jake, Jim & Kelly, and Laura during this difficult time. Rest in peace Ms. Nancy.

Chris, Dallas, & Rachel Schram - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ There are many of us who have so many wonderful memories of Nancy's creativity, love of life, and passion for teaching children. She will be missed. I know she is finally at peace and with your heavenly Father. Thinking of you all and remembering you in my prayers.

Diana Brown - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ My heart felt condolences to Jake, Jim, Kelly and all those who loved Nancy as much as all of us at Saint Paul's did. Nancy was an inspiration in her love for life, her determination, her love for teaching and every child, and her faith in God. Her smile lit up the room and her warmth made the coldest day special. Nancy is the epitome of what a living Saint is and now that she has joined God in Heaven, her Sainthood is assured. May God richly bless Nancy and all her family.

Keith Wagner - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Nancy made everyone feel loved, she loved life, people, her kitty cats, Reba, Buddy and other peoples pets. She will be missed dearly, but she is no longer suffering. Now she can spend eternity happily with Jesus forever. Love you Nancy always

Jackie Giasson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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