



## Mary Kathleen "Kathie" Bryant

August 27, 1947 - May 9, 2020

Mary Kathleen "Kathie" Bryant, 72, of Centralia, passed away Saturday, May 9, 2020 at SSM Health Good Samaritan Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

Kathie was born August 27, 1947 in Centralia, the daughter of Noel L. Rich and Esther I. (Parmley) Rich. She married Stephen L. Bryant on April 7, 1984 at Central City Baptist Church, and he survives her in Centralia.

In addition to her husband of 36 years, she is survived by one son: Jeremy Bryant and wife Ashley of Centralia; one granddaughter: Alayna Bryant of Centralia; one brother: Richard Rich of Centralia; one sister: Elizabeth Risinger of Owensboro, KY; god children: Kimberly Ball of Centralia and brother: Phillip Ball Jr. of Centralia; and several nieces and nephews.

Kathie was a lifelong member of the Central City Baptist Church. She worked as an Avon Representative for over 40 years. She liked karaoke, making pot holders, playing wii bowling, and most of all spending time with her granddaughter Alayna.

Due to the pandemic, a private funeral service for Mary Kathleen "Kathie" Bryant will be held Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. with the service being live broadcasted for family and friends which can be accessed by going to [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com) website and clicking on Kathie's obituary. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Centralia. In honor of Kathie, memorial donations may be made to the Shriners Children's Research Hospital and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Bryant Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com).

# Comments

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - May 14 at 11:54 AM



“ Mike thank you for broadcasting this. Kathie and I were friends for over 50 years and even though I am 5 hours away, it means a lot to me that I could share in this for her. Thank you so much. God bless you and be with your family.

**Ruth Moore** - May 14 at 12:38 PM



“ Good pictures of Kathy's life. Always smiling. Thoughts & prayers go out to Steve, Jeremy ,& family. With sincere sympathy, Allen & Donna Wooters

**Donna Wooters** - May 14 at 09:56 PM



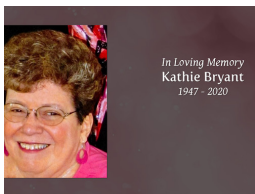
“ Steve, so sorry to hear about Kathie passing. I have a lot of fond memories from our support group meetings and planning Relay for Life. Her infectious smile and laughter could light up the room She was a beautiful person, through and through. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Phyllis Gabbart

**Phyllis Gabbart** - May 14 at 10:37 PM



“ An external video has been added.



**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - May 13 at 09:46 AM

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“ Loved mrs Kathie leavened gained a wonderful person!! Very kind and always sweet!! You will be missed by many!! Beautiful service today... She would have loved it!!!

Shannon Hill CNA - May 14 at 12:36 PM

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“ Have known the rich family for many years. Kathy always had a smile on her face and if you didn't see her when going into assisted living she would call your name out.

bonnie ward - May 14 at 12:17 PM

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“ Aunt Kathie took care of me many times when I was a child and I spent a great deal of time, along with my cousin, hijacking her Avon tricycle. She was very loving and always had a great smile and laugh and always made sure, along with Grandma Esther, that I was never without a snack, my Raggedy Ann, and a lot of love. ~  
Chantal

Chantal Rich Beauchamp - May 14 at 11:52 AM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Kathleen "Kathie" Bryant.



May 13 at 01:32 PM

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“ Steve, Rich, and Family:  
So sorry to hear this. Please accept my condolences. As a child, I recall Kathie riding all over the south part of Centralia. She was always so friendly to me.  
Best wishes,  
Dwain Baldrige

Dwain Baldrige - May 13 at 11:52 AM



“ Steve & family,  
So sorry for your loss. I'm glad I got to know her. She was a good friend, ribbon sister. Thinking of you in thoughts & prayers. Big hugs .  
With sympathy & condolences,  
Allen & Donna Wooters



**Donna Wooters** - May 12 at 11:34 PM



“ Steve, my sincere condolences on your loss. We have all known each other all of our lives. I hope you find comfort in her love and the memories of a life well lived. Call on us if we can be of assistance to you and your family. Your friend, Danny Stover.

**Danny Stover** - May 12 at 10:58 AM



“ Steve, so sorry to hear about Kathy. . My Prayers and sincere thoughts are with you and your family.  
Known you guys for sooo long! Take care my friend!

**Peggy Myers Beal** - May 11 at 08:45 PM



“ Heavenly Light was purchased for the family of Mary Kathleen "Kathie" Bryant.



May 11 at 08:17 PM



“ Steve and family. So sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers  
Noland Atchison Orange Park Florida

Noland Atchison - May 11 at 06:41 PM

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“ Kathie was a wonderful lady. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers  
are with you. God bless you.

Peggy Spinner - May 11 at 12:17 PM

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“ I am Saddened by your loss. I have so many memories of Kathie. It's been it a year  
this month that I retired from the Manor after 15 years. I worked with Kathie as her  
Aide, Her PT Aide for 2 years, she came 6 days a week,I looked forward to her  
coming in each morning and telling me she glad when I there. I was blessed to share  
Kathie and Steve's memories. She loved Pink. She was ray of Sunshine. Will be  
missed. My heart goes out to Steve. Dear God wrap your loving arms around  
Kathie's family, give them strength.,in Jesus name Amen.

Mary Martin - May 11 at 10:12 AM

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“ Rest in peace Miss Kathie Laura Warren Cashman

Laura Warren Cashman - May 10 at 05:51 PM

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“ Prayers for Kathie's family. She was a nice person.

Kathryn Stover - May 10 at 01:09 PM

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“ When Kathie and Steve were married she became the “second” Kathy Bryant in the family. I would tease her that I was the original KB but it was okay since it was her I would allow her hold the KB title. She would laugh and grin! Always a smile on her face and a wonderful positive attitude and outlook on the world is how I'll remember her.

**Kathy Bryant Ridgeway** - May 10 at 06:28 AM



“ She was nice person and she love southern Gospel music by Bill Gaither. She and my grandma Betty Qualls sold Avon.

**Heather Niepoetter** - May 10 at 11:58 AM



“ Kathie was a sweetheart a childhood friend Steve I'm so sorry for you loss

**Carol Beasley Groff** - May 11 at 04:08 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss Steve & family. I have many fond memories of Kathy & you Steve! May she Rest In Peace.

**Amy Sparks** - May 11 at 10:30 AM

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“ Ms Kathy was the nicest lady I have had the privilege to know. She was always sweet with her Avon and beanie babies. She helped me out with Christmas one year as I was not sure what to get. Ive loved ms bryant since kindergarten when Jeremy and I were in school together. Love you so much momma bryant will never forget you

**Sarah Pribble Cook** - May 09 at 11:41 PM



“ Kathie and I were raised as infants in CC Church and we had the same birthdate. Her face was always so bright and cheerful.

Becky Flippin McColley

**becky mccolley** - May 12 at 04:38 PM



“ Many, many wonderful memories of growing up with Kathie. She had a difficult beginning and many trips to Shriners to help her become more independent. She took great delight in so many things and she would get tickled telling and retelling some of her stories and you were laughing with her even before you knew "the rest of the story"! Her laugh was infectious! We will miss having her at family reunions and just stopping to visit.

Diana (Thomas) Hess Pohlod

**Diana** - May 13 at 09:33 PM



“ Kathie was a joy with her smile and non stop talking. Every time we saw each other she would repeat the story of us in separate 1st grades and that upset her so. Life time, Southtown friends. Steve, so happy you came into her life and shared a wonderful son. Jeremy she will always be watching your precious daughter and will keep smiling as a loving grandma. Sorry for your grief, but glad of so many good memories for you to hang on too and Kathie is at peace now and keeping an eye on you.

**Brenda Sanders** - May 14 at 03:19 PM