



## Candice Anne Kindred

February 9, 1949 - May 16, 2013

Candice A. Kindred, 64, of Centralia died at 12:10pm Thursday, May 16, 2013 at St. Mary's Hospital in Centralia after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born February 9, 1949, in Centralia, the daughter of Dean and Norma (Dueker) Simmons. Candice is survived by her mother Norma Simmons of Centralia. Her daughter Miriam Kindred and fiancé Mark Bylsma of St. Charles, MO; one grandson Chris Bylsma; one brother Mark Simmons and wife Martha (Faught) of Mt. Vernon; one sister Karin Manning of Springfield; one sister-in-law Marilyn and husband Bill Simmons of Congerville; 5 nieces and nephews, Caitlin Darling and husband Mike of Springfield, Ben Manning of Chicago, Sheila Pickens and husband Brad of Paxton, Jeff Simmons of Mt. Vernon, Laura Treber and husband Mike of Carlock; 6 great nieces and nephews Liam, Olivia, Vivien, Sydney, Wyatt and Madison; and a cousin Tom Simmons and wife Linda of Centralia. As well as many other close family and friends. She was preceded in death by her father Dean Simmons. She was a faithful member of Zion United Church of Christ where she was the church secretary for almost 25 years. Until her death she worked as a tenant case worker for Marion County Housing Authority. Her co-workers were like a second family and helped support her through her illness. She was also an active Mary Kay Consultant and until she became ill she worked with the Family Success Program at Kaskaskia College. Candice was loved by everyone who crossed paths with her. She had a great spirit and an energetic attitude toward life, always looking for the silver lining or lesson to learn.

Candice had an affinity for children; playing “fairy godmother” to the many children in her life was her greatest joy. She loved her family and friends dearly and loved spending time with them. Candice was a beloved mother, daughter, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend who will be missed dearly. A celebration of life service will be held on Saturday, June 22, at 2:00 PM at Zion United Church of Christ in Central City with Pastor Lou Fluck officiating. Memorials can be made to the Zion United Church of Christ building fund and will be accepted at the funeral home. Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements and online condolences can be left at [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

MC

“ I met Candice in Chattanooga, TN when she rented an apartment from my mother in law. We spent time together socially. I had only seen her once in the past 40 years. Miriam was 3 or 4 years old at the time. I wish I had kept in touch with her over the years. I feel really bad because I did not keep in touch with her. I loved her. Mike Carter.

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**Mike Carter** - September 06, 2023 at 05:07 PM

RZ

“ So sorry to hear of Candice's passing. I met her at Zion, and she was such a warm, happy and helpful person. I knew her only briefly, but she made such a positive impression.

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**Rebecca Zeissler** - June 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Thinking of you during this difficult time. I wish there would have been more magic in the wand. So sorry for your loss. Kim Hugo RN  
St. Mary's ICU

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**Kim Hugo** - May 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Deepest sympathies to all the family on the loss of Candice. We will always remember her enthusiasm and devotion. Lori Aarons,  
Secretary First United Presbyterian Church

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**Lori Aarons** - May 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ You have my deepest sympathy. Candice was a great gal and she will be greatly missed. She did a great job for Zion. One of her fellow Church Secretaries

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**Sharon Fleming** - May 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ We spent many hours in classes together in high school...! Long ago, and not so. But I was delighted to spend time with you at some of our covenant church activities over these last years. Chadder's theater at last year's VBS in your "cloud" setting was so fun. I will miss your voice, your laugh, and your quiet wisdom. Shalom to your family, my friend.

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**Sharon Smith** - May 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM