



Penny Kropp

October 17, 1969 - October 3, 2023

Penny L. Kropp, 53, of Salem, passed away peacefully at her home on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, surrounded by her family.

She was born October 17, 1969 in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, the daughter of William Higgins and Judith (Evans) Higgins. In September of 1994, Penny met the love of her life and best friend, James Kless.

In addition to the love of her life: James Kless of Salem, Penny is also survived by two daughters: Kayley Kropp of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin and Samantha Nazario and husband Marco of Utah; three granddaughters: Viviana Wahl of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, Elsie Nazario and Maya Nazario both of Utah; sister: Kristine Buell and husband Ray of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin; several nieces and nephews; mother-in-law: Joan Kless of Salem; sister-in-law: Lori Schmidt and husband Steven of Salem; and her friends and co-workers.

She was preceded in death by her parents: William and Judith Higgins and a sister-in-law: Cindy Rust.

Penny worked as an Insurance Agent in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin for several years, until she moved to Salem. She enjoyed making arts and crafts. Penny had a passion for cooking and baking. Being outdoors, whether it was

camping, boating or even fishing, she treasured the time she spent simply enjoying nature. Penny was an avid reader and appreciated a good Murder Mystery. The time she had with her family, friends and her four-legged companion: Oreo, were such a treasure.

Per Penny's wishes, cremation rites will be accorded and no public services will be held. Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home at 310 North Broadway/P.O. Box 97 Salem, Illinois 62881, (618)548-1234, are honored to be of service to Penny's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com and the Sutherland Funeral Home Facebook Page.

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Penny's family and friends. I worked with Penny in the same building for a number of years in Fond du Lac, and we would always coordinate our birthday treats because our birthdays were days apart. She was a wonderful person and will be missed by many. RIP Penny. Kim Stoegbauer*

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