



## Judith "Judy" Ann Katzberg

December 14, 1948 - July 10, 2017

Judith "Judy" Ann Katzberg, 68, of Grand Island passed away with her loving family by her side on Monday, July 10, 2017.

Throughout Judy's life she loved to teach and guide her co-workers, family and friends, with her passing she chose to continue her lifelong mission and donated her body to the University of Nebraska to help the next generation learn.

Celebration of Life services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church in the Sanctuary. Rev. Kelly Karges will officiate. Judy was born on December 14, 1948 in Grand Island, daughter of Hubert and Opal (Groenewold) Linden.

Those left to carry on her memory is her husband, Darwin of Grand Island; children, Brenda Karr (Todd Friesen) of Grand Island, Angie (Kelly) Fegter of North Carolina, Amy (Jason) Deras of Grand Island, and Carissa Christensen -Richard of Grand Island; stepchildren, Gregory (Lisa) Katzberg of Hastings, Kristi Katzberg of Grand Island, and Michael (Lisa) Katzberg of Grand Island; brother, Arnold (Virginia) Linden of Las Vegas; sister Sherri Zeckser of Hastings; father of her children, Gary Christensen of Grand Island; 15 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; along with numerous extended family and friends.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents, brothers, Dickie and Donnie.

As a lifelong Grand Island resident, Judy attended Dodge Elementary School, Barr Jr. High and graduated from Grand Island Senior High. She continued

her education, earning her Licensed Practical Nursing degree from Kearney State College and later in life, her Registered Nursing degree from College of St. Mary's.

On April 27, 2004 she married her sweetheart, Darwin Katzberg.

Judy began her career as an LPN at the Lutheran Hospital where she loved working in the Obstetrics Unit where she took care of the new babies. She was a Pool Nurse for some time before accepting the Nursing Director position at the YMCA Cardiac Rehab. Most recently she was a Home Health Nurse and then went on to be a part of the UNMC Study before retiring.

Judy didn't just use her RN and caring nature for employment, she also volunteered at the Nebraska State Fair, where she organized the clinic tent.

She also volunteered for Jail Ministries, was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and a part of Job's Daughters as well. Most important to Judy will always be her family and she took motherhood very seriously. She made sure to be a part of their activities and support in any way she could.

Judy was a 4-H leader, Brownie leader when her daughters were young. Judy had a special passion for dancing, she began when she was young and never stopped. She was an avid clogger and enjoyed swimming as well. Judy enjoyed bowling and was an avid gardener. She spoiled her family with her wonderful cooking and baking dishes. Judy was greatly loved and will always be missed for her care and support she showed all who knew her.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later date.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JUL 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
511 N. Elm Street  
Grand Island, NE

# Tribute Wall



“ *Judith "Judy" Ann Katzberg*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *I am blessed to have taken care of Judy. God bless her family at this sorrowful time. Glori Wolfe*

**glori wolfe** - July 19, 2017 at 08:54 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the family!*

**Renee Widga** - July 17, 2017 at 07:06 PM



“ *I am very sad to hear of Judy's passing. I knew Judy when I worked at Craig Home Care. What a kind, special lady! My thoughts and prayers go out to the family ❤️*

**Joni Steinwart** - July 14, 2017 at 06:58 PM



“ *Sending our condolences. Praying for peace during this difficult time.*

*Billie Anderson Monnington and family*

**Shawn Jacobs** - July 13, 2017 at 09:24 PM

MW

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

~Mike Watson~

Mike Watson - July 12, 2017 at 07:47 PM



“ I'm saddened to hear about Judy passing. She was a wonderful caring person and touched many people's life, including mine when we worked together at the YMCA.



Sandy Manfull - July 12, 2017 at 03:36 PM

LN

“ I am so sorry to hear of Judy's passing. She has been a friend, as well as coworker for many years & will truly be missed by many. All of you girls & your families are in my prayers.

Laura Nelson - July 12, 2017 at 02:09 PM

ST

I am sorry to learn of your loss of Judy.  
Stephen C. McComas  
Leawood, KS

Stephencmccomas@gmail.com - July 13, 2017 at 10:46 AM

JB

“ Judy was a year younger than I was, but we were good friends in Future Nurses of America and had so many good laughs and good times together working as Candy Stripper at St. Frances Hospital. Wonderful gal with an infectious laugh. Condolences to her family. Judy Sober Borowski



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**Judy Sober Borowski** - July 12, 2017 at 12:50 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Ann Katzberg.



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July 12, 2017 at 12:15 PM

KC

“ Chuck and I were so saddened to hear of Judy's passing. We felt something had happened when we drove by, which we do often. Darwin, please let us know if you need anything. We are just across the street so don't hesitate to ask. I will still fulfill my obligation I told Judy I would make by volunteering at the first aid booth at the State Fair.

You will all be in our thoughts and prayers. Chuck and Kay Carpenter

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**Kay Carpenter** - July 12, 2017 at 11:50 AM

TJ

“ Saddened to learn of Judy's passing. We have so many fond memories of working with Judy in cardiac rehab for 10 yrs. She inspired & exuded confidence, which was a big reason why I re-entered the RT field after a long absence. I was fortunate to have been part of Judy's care giving team while she was at Madonna. I enjoyed popping in & visiting with her even after she no longer required RT service. Tim & I were both looking forward to a cup of coffee with her when she returned home. She will be missed, but she left an indelible mark behind. May God comfort you, her family, & always remember, everything happens for a reason. Pat & Tim Javorsky

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**Tim & Pat Javorsky** - July 12, 2017 at 11:36 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Ann Katzberg.



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July 12, 2017 at 11:20 AM

SR

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. We send loving thoughts and prayers to Angie and the entire family for comfort. Scott and Suzanne Ramsey

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**Suzanne Ramsey** - July 12, 2017 at 08:30 AM



“ *So beautiful..... This world is not, can never be, the same. I love you, mom.*



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**Brenda Karr** - July 11, 2017 at 11:01 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Judy's passing. She was a very kind hearted woman and easily lovable. I always loved seeing her when I was over. Amy, I have always seen your mom in you. You are kind and caring as she was. Please know that I'm thinking of you and you are all in my prayers.*

*Deb Cole (Zegar)*

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**Deb Cole** - July 11, 2017 at 09:57 PM