



Kathleen Dees

January 23, 1959 - September 18, 2022

Kathleen Dees passed away on September 18, 2022 at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Glen Burnie, MD with her loving husband of 42 years, Dane Dees by her side.

Kathy was born January 23, 1959, in Fort Sill, Oklahoma to the late Joe and Aurora (Velasco) Navarro. She graduated from John Jay High School and went on to attend the University of Houston and West Texas State University.

She is survived by her children, Norman and Tasha; son-in-law, Nate; siblings, Linda, Bitsy, Danny, and Richard; brother-in-law David; sisters-in-law, Dana and Nancy; eleven nieces and nephews; an ever-growing population of grandnieces and grandnephews; and the daughter she adopted in spirit, Amy.

Kathy's number one passion was her children. Her number one obsession was her animals. Like all things she set her mind to, she went over and above the average pet owner. She had dogs and a cat, of course. She also raised horses, guinea pigs, fish, turtles, canaries, parakeets, a cockatiel, a potbelly pig, and a goat. Any animal that needed help was subject to end up at her house.

Kathy spent the last 24 years of her life defying multiple sclerosis. Despite her diagnosis, she never felt sorry for herself. She refused to concede any of her goals to medical challenges. Instead, she worried about others over herself and focused on the future. Her big heart and indomitable spirit left a lasting impression on those she touched. She will be missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donating to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Kathy's memorial page can be accessed at mssociety.donordrive.com/campaign/Kathy-Dees-Memorial-Fund

Tribute Wall

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“ We will always remember you in laughter and in tears. Linda Damon, Haverly , Frazier , Cassandra, Wyatt , Owen , EJ, Amelia, Bella, Charlotte Damon

Anonymous - October 05, 2022 at 04:45 PM

TC

“ Mom and her pets.

Tasha M. Cantelmo - September 28, 2022 at 08:36 PM

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“ Mom.

Tasha M. Cantelmo - September 28, 2022 at 08:35 PM

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“ Mom loved things that are cute and she loved being cute.

Tasha M. Cantelmo - September 28, 2022 at 07:44 PM

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“ Mom thought “I am a Navarro.” was a statement of proof that she would do anything she set her mind to.

Tasha M. Cantelmo - September 28, 2022 at 07:14 PM

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“ Kathleen Dees

Nancy, Richard, Nathaniel - September 22, 2022 at 01:22 PM

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“ Kathy, while you will always be a “daughter” of Texas (and many other places) we were so happy that both our families landed in Maryland in the past few years so that we could see you so often. You bore your health difficulties, and indeed, all the vagaries of life with uncomplaining grace and humor. Some things we will remember: your love of horses and all animals, especially the potbellied pig; your enthusiasm for the chicken masala dish from the Indian restaurant; your tremendous affection and care for “Squirrel” (the dog). Of course, Dr. Pepper. Most of all, your amazing spirit. We will always miss you. Love, Richard, Nancy & Nathaniel

Nancy, Richard, Nathaniel Navarro - September 20, 2022 at 08:08 PM

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“ She was a mother to me and the best one I ever had. I was fortunate enough to basically live in her home and experience her love and compassion first hand. The Dees helped raise me as one of their own and she will be missed more than words can say.

Amy - September 20, 2022 at 04:31 PM

CE

“ You were dear to my heart. I will always remember you calling me Cory and your smile. You will be missed. Much love, your niece

Corinne Eichelberg - September 20, 2022 at 11:19 AM

DA

“ Aunt Kathy came to stay with us at Hudson; she and her friend were obsessed with solving the Jon Bene’t Ramsey case. She was a super sleuth!

Dana Arvin - September 20, 2022 at 10:33 AM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ *Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Kathleen Dees - September 19, 2022 at 02:38 PM