



Kathlyn (Mazzotta) Brown

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AURORA Kathlyn Brown, nee Mazzotta, 67 years of age passed away on October 2, 2016 after a short stay at Hospice House in Medina. She lived most of her life in Aurora, Ohio. She was born on August 2, 1949, to the late Phyllis Marie Wendt Mazzotta and Raymond Joseph Mazzotta. She was predeceased by her brother, Mark and her niece and goddaughter, Christina Mazzotta. She is survived by her husband of forty years, Byron Brown and siblings Toni Mazzotta (Tom Mlinar), Mary Ann (Paul) Lepp, Patricia (Matthew) Smith, Richard, and sister-in-law Angela. She is also survived by nieces and nephews Maria, Sasha, Mark, Rachel, Stella, Kristen, and Joel. Also important in her life are her pets Jett, Klauss, and Lilly. Her childhood was spent in Mantua. She graduated from Crestwood High School in 1967. Her college experience included a Bachelor of Science in Education with a major in French and Minor in Spanish; and a Master's Degree in Library Science from Kent State University. She enjoyed three engaging careers: Teaching French and Spanish at West Geauga Junior High for 11 years then transitioning to the High School librarian for 19 years. Her final career stint was as Director of Professional Development and Outreach at the Graduate School of Education at Kent State University. Through her multiple careers, she enriched the lives of so many people. The world was Kathlyn's palette. She was very fortunate to see amazing places in her journeys and adventures. Her favorite cities included Aurora; Charleston, South Carolina; and Paris. A Francophone and Francophile, she celebrated the love of many cultures. She and Byron loved the beach and had a second home at Kiawah Island. After her official retirement from the education profession she became very active on the Board of Trustees for the Aurora Historical Society. She also belonged to the Aurora Study Club and the Moebius Nature Center. Her most recent foray was into the world of writing. She published her first title "The Vest Pocket Edition to Delectable Sweets" in 2014. Her equine Lilly provided the inspiration for her second tome "Lilly and Elvis;



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More than a Horses? Tale.? Part adventure, part instruction, it imparts beauty and joy on every page. Cremation and private interment have taken place. A memorial to Kathlyn, officiated by the Reverend Kevin Horak, will take place on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Church in Aurora at 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your favorite charity or to one of Kathlyn?s favorites: The Portage County Animal Protective League, the Moebius Nature Center, or the Deed House Project of the Aurora Historical Society. Portage Animal Protective League 8122 Infirmary Rd., Ravenna, OH 44266 www.portageapl.org Moebius Nature Center P.O. Box 595, Aurora, OH 44202 www.mymnc.org Deed House Project of the Aurora Historical Society P.O. Box 241, Aurora, OH 44202 aurorahistorical.org Arrangements are by the Green Family Funeral Home & Crematory Service in Mantua. Her obituary, condolences and memories may be shared at www.greenfamilyfuneralhome.com.



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RF

Rhonda Filipan posted:

Kathy Brown was unforgettable: always gracious, very professional, and so classy. She and I interacted in our roles at Kent State University, and we shared a love of the French language and libraries. I enjoyed being around Kathy. She left us far too soon! My sincere condolences to her husband, family, and friends.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

KH

Ken Hudiak posted:

A candle was lit by Ken Hudiak on October 4, 2016 6:32 PM

January 4 at 6:48 AM

LA

Lisa Audet posted:

To Kathy's family, my deepest sympathies. I know how much Kathy's energy, vitality, and positive, CAN DO attitude inspired and brought so much joy to your lives. I recall her sharing how much fun and laughter she shared with all of you over the holidays last year. May your memories of her love for life and for each of you sustain you. I will miss my dear, dear loving and life-giving friend. Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

DG

Deb Gould posted:

A candle was lit by Deb Gould on October 5, 2016 8:07 PM

January 4 at 6:48 AM

ML

Melinda & Denny Livezey posted:

A candle was lit by Melinda & Denny Livezey on October 6, 2016 6:24 AM

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ML

Melinda Livezey posted:

Byron, I am so sorry

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MH

Matthew Johnson (Student Of Hers) posted:

I remember her both as my French teacher in junior high and then again is the librarian in high school. Funny thing is I actually had an innocent "crush" on her when I was a student in her French class during junior high. Very sorry to hear of her passing... God bless.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

AE

Anita Eberl posted:

Mlle. Mazzotta was my favorite teacher at West G. Even helped her out during my study hall. ❤️ French because of her. Sorry to hear of her passing.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

LS

Larry & Becky Sharp posted:

Byron, We did not know Kathlyn very long, but sure enjoyed her. We will always remember the visit to your home and seeing her at the Deed House. She wrote an article for the Advocate for the American Legion Auxiliary. She will be missed.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

AG

Arlene Gorczycki posted:

The positive spirit who was Kathy charmed all with her wonderful personality and kindness. She was a very good friend to me and I was very proud to be her friend. In spite of her ongoing battle with cancer, over the last few years, she gathered herself and found joy in each and every day. Her respite was her continued passionate involvement in her community and her love of nature. If she wasn't enjoying her horse, Lilly; time with her friends and family; day trips to the country with her husband Byron; she was enjoying a drive in her BMW at the highest speed she could get away with! Kathy's gift to all was her ability to share a positive view of life through her eyes and make all of those around her feel comfortable and smile. I miss you my dear friend and I am grateful for all the good times we shared and the memories we created. Love to all of Kathy's family and friends, Arlene O'Connell Gorczycki

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KS

Kathy Schmitz Shock posted:

Kathy and I were roommates for one brief quarter during our freshman year at Kent State. I have fond memories of her gorgeous smile, sharp intellect, positive spirit and our shared fun. Regrettably, we lost touch over the years. My heart is saddened at by her passing far too soon.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

BP

Barbara Petroski posted:

A candle was lit by Barbara Petroski on October 12, 2016 7:18 PM

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DH

Dale Hopkins posted:

You were one of my favourite teachers of all time. Thank you for the energy, enthusiasm and smiles you brought with you to every class period. You made learning fun and I thank you for all you did for us. I have been sending prayers for your family during these difficult days. You brought much joy and love to the world. We should all aspire to be as remarkable as you.

January 4 at 6:48 AM

DB

Don And Sue Bobak posted:

Dear Byron, Please accept our most sincere condolences. Mary Ann sent us a note telling us of Kathy's illness and passing. She was a light in the world and her spirit will live in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved her.

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CM

Carole Jo And Dave Moroney posted:

Please read the paragraphs of the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award in the Aurora Historical Society's 2016 Membership Directory. Kathlyn wrote those paragraphs, at my request, and I believe it is an expression of how she wants to be remembered. Her love, friendship and dedication inspire us to be our better selves, seek our higher goals and live our lives to their fullest potential. She is loved and missed!

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SW

Shannon West posted:

A candle was lit by Shannon West on November 3, 2016 9:46 AM

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BW

Becky Woodruff posted:

Kathy was a vibrant soul that the Western Reserve Colony of Mayflower Descendants embraced in friendship. We mourn with you Byron and will miss Kathy's wonderful smile, big heart and cheerful attitude. Kathy's energetic spirit will live on in all who knew her; what a magnificent legacy! Fondly, Becky Woodruff

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LW

Leila Woehrle posted:

Dear Byron-I am so sorry to hear of Kathlyn's passing. She touched my deeply from our first contact. We shared a love of horses, gardening, book and all things in the natural world. I will treasure the book that she gave to me and thank you for taking the time to introduce me to Lilly. I will hold you in my heart and prayers and wish you peace and beautiful memories to sustain you. Warmly, Leila

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CA

Caroline posted:

A candle was lit by caroline on April 18, 2018 10:06 PM

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KR

Kristen posted:

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Join us in honoring Kathlyn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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