



Kathryn "K.K." Warner

July 30, 1954 - August 11, 2017

Kathryn Carr Warner of Asheville, North Carolina died peacefully at Solace August 11, 2017. She was surrounded in death, as she always was in life, by her family who adored her. She lived her life fully until the very end. Her bucket list this past year included a trip to Canada with her daughter and husband, being Mother of the Bride in March, seeing her younger son get accepted to Johns Hopkins Medical School, multiple trips to Atlanta to visit her older son and his family, and backpacking El Camino with girlfriends in Spain in May.

She was born July 30, 1954 in Orange, New Jersey to James A. and Robin Carr. As a child, her family moved around the Northeast, finally settling in Charlotte, North Carolina where she attended high school at South Mecklenburg. Kathryn received her Bachelors degree in Economics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she met the eventual love of her life, John Warner.

Kathryn and John married in 1980 in Charlotte. They moved to the Asheville area in 1982 and started Warner Photography. Kathryn managed the business for the past 35 years. A lifelong learner, Kathryn received her Masters of Accounting degree from Western Carolina University at age 57. For the past 10 years, Kathryn sat on the Board of Bonded Distribution in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Kathryn was passionate about the arts, education, literacy, and social justice. Throughout her life, she volunteered with Hunger Awareness, HelpMate, the

United Way Grants Committee, the Rescue Mission, Children's Welfare League and she served on the board of the KIPP Academy. She was an avid reader, yogi, accomplished gardener, cyclist, and tireless hiker.

Kathryn was a warm and generous soul with a loving smile. Her husband and children felt her fierce love daily. She never sought the spotlight in any endeavor, but Kathryn's quiet strength, intelligence, acceptance, and compassion guided her family, friends and even strangers in multiple ways. She was a North Star for those lucky enough to walk through this life with her. Kathryn is survived, and will be ever adored, by her husband John Warner of Asheville, son Jamie Warner, his wife, Amanda Warner, granddaughter, Madeline Warner, of Atlanta, Georgia, son Sam Warner of Baltimore, Maryland, and daughter Erin Warner Guill and her husband Matthew Guill of New York City. She is also survived by her mother Robin Carr, brother Scott Carr and wife, Susan Carr, sister Barbara Carr Woodall and her brother's widow Vickie Carr, all of Charlotte, North Carolina.

A Memorial Mass will be said for Kathryn at St. Eugene's Catholic Church on Friday, August 25, 2017 at 11am in Asheville, North Carolina. A Celebration of her Life will be held at Camp Rockmont in Black Mountain, North Carolina on Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 4pm at Lake Eden Hall (375 Lake Eden Road). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Read2Succeed of Asheville (www.r2sasheville.org) or the Solace Center of Asheville.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

53 Birch Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

Parish of St. Eugene Catholic Church
72 Culvern Street
Asheville, NC 28804
<http://www.steugene.org/>

Celebration of Life

AUG 27. 4:00 PM (ET)

Camp Rockmont
27 Lake Eden Road
Black Mountain, NC 28711

Tribute Wall



“ Kathryn "K.K." Warner

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ The photo of Kathy is exactly as I remember her, with a smile. During the time I worked with her as one of our volunteers at United Way, I knew I could always count on her to follow through, to be kind but to share any reservations she had about an applicant. She was always someone who cared about others and "walked the walk". I hadn't seen her in years, but my memories of her mirror what others have said. I'm glad I have those memories. To those closest to her, my thoughts are with you.

Ron Katz - August 26, 2017 at 03:59 PM



“ This beautiful woman has always been, and will continue to be an inspiration to me (and probably everyone who was lucky enough to know her). The soul she shared in this lifetime was rock solid, dedicated, funny, compassionate, and so kind. I absolutely cherish our lunches together- she had the ability to make you feel like you were the only person in the world and she really cared about you. John, Jamie, Erin, Sam- thank you so much for sharing her with us and I love you all very much.

Katie - August 25, 2017 at 09:47 PM

DT

“ Dear John, Jamie, Erin and Sam,

I am full of of shock, sorrow and love for each of you. Your whole family, and especially Kathy, did so much to include Van and me in your family dinners after jane's death. I will and am forever grateful to Katy for her always beautiful heart and loving attitude. She was one in a million. I will miss her and I am thinking of all of you during your grief. I hope to see you all Sunday at Camp Rockmont.

*All my love,
Don Tomlinson*

Don Tomlinson - August 25, 2017 at 05:23 PM

MB

“ Dear John and all the Warner family,

We were heartbroken to learn of your loss. Please know that your entire family will most certainly be in our thoughts and prayers, especially when we are back in Asheville at St. Eugene's.

*With our deepest sympathies,
Mike & Monica Browne
Charlotte, NC*

MIKE BROWNE - August 24, 2017 at 10:27 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kathryn "K.K." Warner.



August 23, 2017 at 08:30 PM

BW

“ *Deepest Condolences to you John, and all Kathy's family friends and loved ones, at this sad time of losing her. The grief will subside and all the joy and positive things she caused to happen will shine on and on. With love from all the Warlick family and prayers to ease your pain.*

Lauretta Warlick, Billy Warlick, Robert Warlick, Mollie Warlick

Billy Warlick - August 23, 2017 at 03:53 PM

JL

“ *John and Family,*

We are truly sorry for your loss. May God in his mercy give you peace in heart and mind knowing that you will be reunited in Heaven when your journey on earth is done. May God bless and comfort you at this difficult time. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Jeff and Barbara Ledford

Jeffrey Ledford - August 23, 2017 at 09:48 AM

GS

“ *Oh John, I can only imagine your grief but I share in your loss. We all who knew Kathy are in equal parts shocked and pained. There are no replacements for someone like her. Please, get the support you need, my friend, and call on me if you want. Meanwhile, I have some crying to do.*

Gerard

Gerard Stamm - August 23, 2017 at 08:17 AM

HP

“ Dear John, and family ~ I used to come downstairs to Warner Photography, at 60 Biltmore Ave, to hand deliver an errant piece of mail just to visit and share that amazing smile and warmth of Kathy's. She would even smile through all the leaks and challenges down there!!! Kathy will be sorely missed and my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Heather, from Jim's office upstairs

Heather Pemberton - August 22, 2017 at 04:58 PM

SW

“ Dear Warner Family,

I am so sorry for your loss of sweet Kathy. She was a ray of sunshine every time she walked by our desks here at Bonded Logistics. We will truly miss her visits and her beautiful smile. God bless you Warner Family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

*Susan Watkins
Bonded Logistics*

Susan Watkins - August 22, 2017 at 01:43 PM



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August 22, 2017 at 12:11 PM

NH

“ John and Sam,

We are so shocked to learn of this tragic loss for you. Kathy was such a bright light to everyone around her! Our hearts go out to you and the rest of your family.

Greg, Nancy and Jeff Hutchins

Nancy Hutchins - August 22, 2017 at 07:52 AM

JM

“ John, I'm so sorry for your loss. You and Kathy were truly soul mates and partners in every sense. My heart grieves for you and your family.

Jeff Moore - August 22, 2017 at 05:03 AM

CB

“ Dear Warner family,

Know that you are in my heart and prayers. Kathy was a wonderful person and I am grateful to have known her. Our community is a better place because she lived here.

Catherine Durner Ball

Catherine Ball - August 21, 2017 at 04:59 PM

BK

“ Words somehow fail to capture all that could be said. Remarkable woman. Remarkable life. Remarkable legacy. Kathy's life is a gift that will keep giving in ways we can't even begin to imagine. Blessings John, Jamie, Erin, Sam and all.

Bruce Kelly and Robin Cape

Bruce Kelly - August 21, 2017 at 04:49 AM

SO

“ Dear family, please accept our heartfelt sympathies. We so enjoyed knowing Kathy from St. Eugene. May your wonderful memories always be with you...

Sue & John Olesiuk

Sue & John Olesiuk - August 20, 2017 at 04:43 PM

BA

“ John, I'm uncertain if my opening sentence went through or not, but Peg and I send our prayers and condolences to you and yours. She was indeed a marvelous woman and we will keep praying for you to gather the strength to manage another loss.

bob adams - August 20, 2017 at 03:20 PM

SF

“ John I am so sorry for your loss and will be praying for you and the family.. Its been a long time since school, but always consider you a good friend

Suzanne (Evins) Foust

Suzanne Foust - August 20, 2017 at 12:48 PM

JT

“ Dear John, Jamie, Sam and Erin, It was with great sadness that I read the news today of Kathryn's passing. She was a lovely lady, always a delight to talk with and I know she will be sorely missed. I do hope that the pain of her passing eases as soon as possible, leaving the happier memories of the time you shared together. With my sincerest condolences,
Jeff Tait.

Jeff Tait - August 20, 2017 at 08:51 AM

MS

“ I had the pleasure of getting to know Kathy through her parents. She was A ball of energy, caring, compassionate, driven, and above all she truly loved her family. She beamed with pride when she spoke of John, her children, and her granddaughter. It was A pleasure to have known her. I send my condolences to her family. Each of you are in my prayers! I'm so sorry for your loss! I pray God brings you comfort through this difficult time

Michelle Simpson - August 20, 2017 at 06:51 AM