



Elizabeth A. Symons

August 29, 1961 - April 5, 2024

Obituary for Elizabeth (Beth) McCoy Symons

"And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near and my time has come; Still my soul sings Your praise unending, Ten thousand years and then forevermore." It is with profound sadness yet comfort that we announce the death of Beth Symons. Beth was born August 29, 1961 and passed away peacefully April 5, 2024 at Lightways Hospice with family by her side. Beth was born and raised in Minooka and after graduation she had several jobs in the retail and food industry. She also had her own cleaning business for a time. After a visit to Portland Oregon, Beth and her sister Lou discussed opening a coffeehouse in downtown Minooka. It was just fate that Grandpa Ikes old appliance store was available. Many hours were spent renovating, but it soon became a great place for coffee, conversation and fun. Of course it was apply named Ike's Place and the name is on the building to this day. Beth enjoyed meeting and greeting people there. After Ike's Place closed she worked at Walgreens where she met many new friends and enjoyed helping people.

Beth had a tremendous love of animals and felt she had a special connection with them. Her family often called her the "Dog Whisperer".

Beth had spent the last 8 years living in Carterville, Il with her long time companion, Fred Appleton. While there she spent time gardening and enjoying the peaceful quiet countryside environment. She played an essential part in Fred's Rack and Pinion Business.

When cancer became an issue, she came back north to be with her family and pursue treatment. Living here allowed her time to reconnect not only with her family but also her long time friends. Beth was very proud of her son Kyle, a Bolingbrook Fireman and of course her two grandchildren Henry and Colton. Beth was able to attend her grandchildren's functions and observed their endless energy and love.

She enjoyed attending church at Channahon United Methodist with her sisters and even helped with the Thrift Shop. It is felt that being here in the last six months gave her some more time and quality of life.

Beth was preceded in death by her parents Don and Jean McCoy and her grandparents Emily and Edwin McCoy and Ike and Cora VanAsdlen.

Beth will be fondly remembered by her son Kyle (Sarah) Symons; Grandchildren Henry and Colton Symons; long time companion Fred Appleton, his children Jason, Amber, Andrew and their families; sisters Jackie (Larry) Goggins, Lou McCoy, Donna (late Jim) Buckley. Special friends Shelly, Reni, Jan, Leslye, Sharon, Robyn; Nephews Pat (Shelly) Goggins and Dan (Amy Larson) Goggins. Neices Mary Smith and Emily (John) Sergeant. Great nephews Adam Smith, Aidan Goggins, Shaun Goggins and Jack and Matt Sergeant. Great neices Anna Goggins and Lauren Goggins. Beth was also blessed with many cousins and friends.

Cremation was afforded per Beth's request. In honoring her wishes there will be no viewing or visitation. The family will have a celebration of life in her honor at a later date.

Memorials in Beth's honor may be sent to: Just Animals Shelter <https://justanimals.org/donate/>

Tribute Wall

JM

“ *My condolence Andy and Kyle. I remember Beth from Minooka High.*

James More - May 27, 2024 at 09:43 PM

BH

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Beth Ann Hawkins - May 01, 2024 at 11:34 PM

BH

“ Oh Beth- I wish I had a chance to see you one more time! However, I am so glad we had a chance to catch up from time to time when I was in town. We came into the world on the same day- our mothers shared a hospital room when we were born. All I know dear Beth- we had a wild and wonderful ride on this planet!

I remember you and I babysitting your nephews Pat and Dan and your niece Mary Ann at different times. I was glad Mr. Duncan lived next door and put out the fire we started making popcorn before we burned your sister's house down. I remember sweating in hot band uniforms as we marched in parades, wearing goofy blue bloomers in gym class and you passing drivers Ed while I failed. And then I moved back for a few years and was able to teach your Kyle in my English class. My fiancée turned husband David loved going into Ike's and having a coffee and a chat when he came into town. You made that Canadian feel right at home! That was you- comfy, quirky, warm and wonderful!

I am having a big cry knowing that you are gone- but I know I will be by your side one day. Until then- know I love you Beth! And may God give comfort to all your family and friends!



Beth Ann Hawkins - May 01, 2024 at 08:13 PM

RK

“ May God grant Beth eternal rest. She was a good person, had a strong work ethic & had a big heart. My heart goes out to her family.



Renee K. - April 11, 2024 at 10:37 PM

RC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Ric & Mel Coop - April 11, 2024 at 09:59 PM

KP

“ *I was fortunate enough to be neighbors for a time on White Lane. I remember late night talks on the front steps and her generosity in sharing her rescue Great Dane when my daughter and I took evening walks in Minooka. She was a gentle soul and will be missed by many. My heart and prayers go out to her family and friends.*

Karen Pubentz - April 09, 2024 at 09:25 AM

JR

“ *Beth was a sweet, loving person. She always had a smile for her friends and beloved family members. She touched many lives and will be missed! Rest in Peace. Janet Robb*

Janet Robb - April 08, 2024 at 10:27 PM

CS

“ *Cathy Sergeant lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Symons*



Cathy Sergeant - April 08, 2024 at 07:51 PM

GL

“ Kyle, Sarah, Henry, and Colton, Fred, and to all the McCoy family: We are so saddened by Beth's passing but know that she is without pain now. We are so glad that we had a cousins' lunch just a few weeks ago. We laughed and shared many great memories. Love to all of you. Tom and Gail Loes and Family

Gail Loes - April 08, 2024 at 03:39 PM