



Amy Virginia Ketterhagen

November 13, 1972 - March 3, 2024

Amy Virginia Ketterhagen, 51, resident of Racine, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on March 3, 2024. She was born in Racine on November 13, 1972, the daughter of Daniel Joseph and Paula Ann (nee: Trongeau) Ketterhagen.

Amy was a 1990 graduate of J.I. Case High School. She was previously employed in the financial industry. She found great enjoyment in reading, painting, crafting, and doting on her nieces and nephews.

Amy is survived by her mother, Paula Ketterhagen Geisler, stepfather Rodney Geisler, brother, Steve (Tina) Ketterhagen, sisters, Danielle Ketterhagen, and Corrinna (David) Schaefer (nee: Geisler), brother Eric Geisler, and Samantha Wallgren.

She is further survived by nieces, and nephews, Alexandria, Erin, Kyle, Jessica, Hina, Ryan, Kenshin, and Clara. Amy was preceded in death by her father, Dan Ketterhagen.

Visitation will be held at The DeKoven Center, (Taylor Hall) 600 Caron Butler Drive, Racine on Wednesday March 13, 2024, from 10 a.m. until time of service at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to remember Amy in a special way may direct memorials to the family.

The Ketterhagen family would like to extend a very special thank you to the entire Aurora Medical System, from oncology to Aurora at Home Hospice during Amy's final weeks. We would also like to acknowledge the staff at The

DeKoven Center and Sturino Funeral Home for their compassionate and gentle care.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 13. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

The DeKoven Center
600 Caron Butler Drive
Racine, WI

Memorial Service

MAR 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Amy Virginia Ketterhagen*



Sturino Funeral Home - March 08, 2024 at 06:26 PM

SK

Very nice tribute.

Steve Ketterhagen - March 09, 2024 at 07:42 AM

SH

“ I have been gone from Racine and not seen Amy in 25 years. This was a random find and quite a shock. Also, a bit ironic. The night before, I was at a university event where we profs wear our regalia, and somehow it all makes us share our awkward pasts. I had a memory of Amy. A good one.

Amy and Steve were a part of my life and I loved them both. Amy and I also ended up at the same part time job at Steins for a few years. Anyway, it was the year of graduation, and we were still in that phase of trying to be different and fitting in at the same time.

Amy had a group of friends that I did not know. They started being catty about me. Typical mean girl highschool stuff. At that age, if that happened, even if you did not agree, you just awkwardly tried to ignore it. Not Amy. She came back at the with a snarky comment that was a complement to me.

When I heard of the situation it amazed me. It was the first time someone stood up for me, and what she had to say also stuck with me through life (even last night). It was a beautiful comment on one of my qualities that I never even saw in myself. But Amy saw it. Amy had that way of seeing people.

I can no longer thank her. But I will always remember her smile—not the typical smile. Amy had that mischievous look built in that was genuine and all Amy.

To all those who got to have Amy in your life. I send you my warmest thoughts. And to Amy: Thanks for being a friend all those years.

Sher Hendrickson - April 21, 2024 at 09:12 AM

NH

“ I used to work with Amy at Lane Bryant. Matter of fact we rode together. We had the best conversations and laughed! Oh, I loved her laugh. She loved her family and I know your heart broken. She is now with God and he received her with open arms. So sorry for everyone’s loss. Nancy Huber

Nancy Huber - March 15, 2024 at 06:36 AM

RT

“ I worked with Amy at Stein Gardens and Gifts. She was such a beautiful young lady. Her smile and laughter were contagious. I still have the ornament she gifted me one year for Christmas. Your beautiful smile Amy is what the Lord saw as He walked you home. God Bless your Family. Reyna Taggart

Reyna Taggart - March 11, 2024 at 09:46 AM

SK

“ More pictures....



Steve Ketterhagen - March 09, 2024 at 04:13 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Sturino Funeral Home - March 08, 2024 at 06:24 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Amy Virginia Ketterhagen.



March 08, 2024 at 06:17 PM

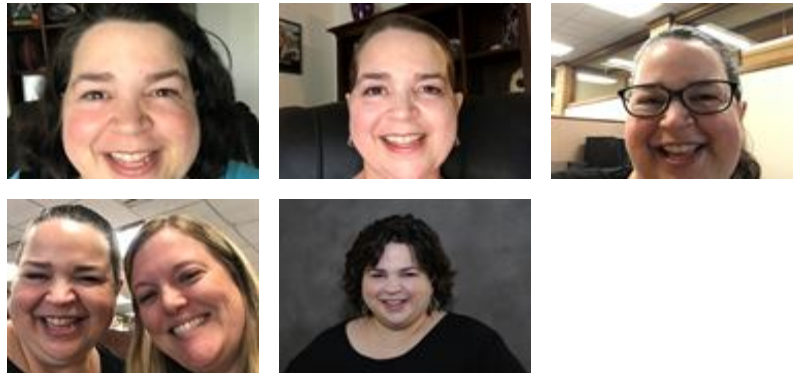


“ Mary K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Amy Virginia Ketterhagen.

Mary K. - March 08, 2024 at 06:17 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Sturino Funeral Home - March 08, 2024 at 11:01 AM

HC

“ Henry Cornett lit a candle in memory of Amy Ketterhagen



Henry Cornett - March 07, 2024 at 12:11 PM

“ Amy, I am heartbroken; you were taken far too soon.

My condolences to your family. But let's celebrate your life. We had a lot of memories; most good, some not so good; but that's life...right?

I want to share a couple of great ones.

One that comes to mind is our trip to Cancun. We planned that trip for a while. We were at O'Hare waiting to board but then we got delayed due to mechanical issues. After waiting for a couple of hours, we watched them move the plane out of the terminal and start up the engines. We looked on in horror and we saw billows of black smoke coming from said engines. The charter company told us they were flying in a new plane so all would be good. After a few hours, people started getting antsy so the charter company said those who want to cancel their trip may do so. They took that group down to a different area, but you and I said...new plane..no problem; we'll wait.

Several more hours later as day turned to night, we were told no new plane, but specialist were working on the current plane, the pilot took it up and gave it the okay. At the time, I was not the biggest fan of flying and the idea of being on a plane with all that had all that smoke coming from it was unnerving. I said, maybe we should cancel. You looked at me and said HELL NO!! We're getting on that plane and I'm going to Mexico and if it crashes, it crashes! So...we got on the plane and we made it, a wee bit late, but in one piece. It was a memorable trip. We had the best lobster EVER at Lorenzillos; a place that I still today tell everyone about. We later learned the group that wanted to cancel was held in a separate area and given the same option to fly down or still cancel. Most boarded the plane

Then there was that group trip to Disney World. We finally left

Savannah. It was getting dark and you wanted to get to Orlando to start your Disney trip, so you decided you wanted your turn to drive. You were hitting almost 100 miles and hour and I said, Amy..slow down!! You said NO!! I want to get to Orlando!!!

You had such determination and when you put your mind to something, it was getting done; safety be damned. LoL. I've always admired the drive you had.

Those are just two of the many wonderful memories and adventures we had that I will always cherish. Even though circumstance and time have separated us, you have and will always hold a place in my heart.

Rest in Heavenly Peace

Henry Cornett

Henry Cornett - March 07, 2024 at 12:07 PM

SK

Very nice, Henry!

Steve Ketterhagen - March 09, 2024 at 07:41 AM