



Kathy L. Riggle

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Kathy L. Riggle, 56, passed away in her Fayetteville, Arkansas home on March 24, 2026. She was born March 30, 1969 in Shawnee Mission, Kansas to Dennis Riggle Sr. and Carolyn Reed. She was a graduate of Rogers High School in 1987 and earned a degree from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. She took a position in the David W. Mullin's library after her college graduation and worked there for her entire career. She was an HR Partner for the Mullin's library at the time of her death. Her coworkers were very special to her and she developed many lifelong friends from those working relationships.

Kathy is survived by her sister Barbara (Lon) Leggitt of Fayetteville, AR; Carol (Bill) Oldridge of Sherwood, AR, a brother Bobby (CeCe) Riggle of Avoca, AR, and sister-in-law Kathleen Kennedy Riggle of Redondo Beach, CA; 10 nieces and nephews Christy Hawk, Mary Bullen, Jessica Starkey, Lauren Keller, Megan Riggle, Matthew Riggle, Josh Oldridge, Tyler Sims, Amy Haley, and Jerrold Haley; and 11 great nieces and nephews: Evon, Connor, Nani, Gavin, Brooklyn, Wyatt, Alyssa, Zach, and Albrey, Olivia, and Zoey. She leaves behind many other friends, family and coworkers that she loved and that loved her back including her best friend, Marian Hendrickson, of Fayetteville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Dennis Riggle Jr. and a nephew, John Riggle.

Kathy had a funny sense of humor and loved to laugh and make others laugh. She was a humble and private person with most people and had a strong desire and compassion for helping others.

There will be a celebration of her life at 2:00pm on Thursday, April 2, 2026 at Moore's Chapel Funeral Home in Fayetteville Arkansas followed by a private family disposition of her ashes.

In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes memorials to be made in her name to the



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University of Arkansas David W. Mullin's Library.

To place an online tribute, please visit www.bernafuneralhomes.com



Events


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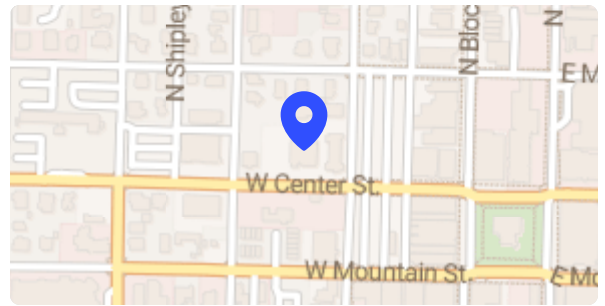
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Celebration of Life

 **Thursday**, April 2, 2026

 2:00 PM CT

 **Moore's Chapel Funeral Home**
206 West Center Street, Fayetteville AR 72701





Tribute Wall

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Khanh Nguyen lit a candle in honor of Kathy.



I will never forget Kathy Riggle's positive attitude and her willingness to lend a helping hand when needed. I was a brand new undergraduate student at the University of Arkansas and was approved for a work study position within the main library. I had just graduated from high school a few months prior, so I was essentially starting from the ground up. My job assignment was in the sorting/stacking department of the library, and it was there that I got to meet Kathy as one of my supervisors. Kathy was extremely patient with me and answered any questions that I had. Her smiles and laughter were constant, and she was just a great person to talk to. Because of Kathy, I enjoyed working at the library and stayed there until I graduated from the University four years later. I consider myself to be extremely fortunate to have crossed paths with Kathy in this life, and I am forever grateful that Kathy gave me a chance early on during my formative years which helped shape me to become the person that I am today. Rest in peace Kathy, you will always be in our thoughts and memories. Khanh (Don) Nguyen

April 7 at 11:41 AM



Elsie N. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Kathy.



April 6 at 5:37 PM



Jeff Banks posted:

Kathy and I worked together very closely for 12 wonderful years. She was a consummate professional with a relentless work ethic. She always seemed to be two to three steps ahead of everyone and often had solutions prepared before anyone even thought to ask. What I will miss most though is her quick wit, sense of humor and infectious laugh. I will also miss her stories about her family (Grandma Ellen, her mom Carolyn, siblings (Barbara, Denny, Carol and Bobbie) and all of the nieces and nephews) and the gleam in her eyes and the pride in which she would share them. There were so many funny, often self-deprecating stories she would share, but above all, the stories showed the love that she had for her family. I am proud to have worked with Kathy and find myself truly fortunate to have had the opportunity to spend so much time with her and to meet Ellen and Carolyn which helped me see where Kathy got her wonderful sense of humor. I have no doubt that the three of them are together sharing funny stories with each other now.

April 6 at 12:41 PM



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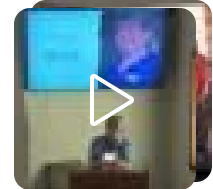
Juana E. planted a grove of 5 Memorial Trees in honor of Kathy.



April 3 at 3:30 PM



Moores Chapel shared 2 videos to the **Service Videos** album.



April 2 at 11:53 AM



Michael And Tracy Scott sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Riggle family.



April 2 at 10:44 AM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Riggle family.



March 31 at 9:03 AM



Jozef Laincz posted:

As an international student worker and later as a librarian in Mullins, Kathy helped me navigate countless forms. She was always the consummate professional--thorough, yet extremely patient and kind. She was one of those people you were always happy to run into, because without exception you were greeted with a genteelness that put you at ease and just made your day better. Jozef Laincz, Bratislava, Slovakia

March 30 at 3:29 PM



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Robin Roggio shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



I have worked with Kathy for 26 years. My job duties changed over the years, but Kathy was always there to answer questions and provide feedback and support. She always had a smile on her face even when dealing with uncomfortable situations. She has been a part of the library and university for so long, it's strange to not see her here anymore. I'm grateful for the last few weeks that allowed me to have several meaningful conversations with her. You are missed, Kathy. And to her family, I'm so very sorry for your sudden loss. warm regards, Robin Roggio

March 30 at 9:54 AM



Db Magby March 31 at 12:12 PM

What a wonderful tribute and pic!



Virginia Siegel posted:

Kathy was one of the first people to welcome me to Mullins on my first day of work there. She cared very deeply about her colleagues and was often a listening ear. Kathy, you will be missed greatly. Mullins does not feel the same without you.

March 30 at 9:29 AM



Teresa Mills posted:

Kathy played hand bells at First Christian Church DOC in Fayetteville with me and was so fun to be around. I'm sad to hear of her passing at such a young age. She was a sweet person and will be missed! Condolences to her family. Teresa Mills

March 30 at 6:41 AM



Angela Hendrickson planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Kathy.



March 29 at 10:58 PM



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Angela Hendrickson sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Riggle family.



March 29 at 10:58 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Kathy.



March 27 at 6:15 PM



Anonymous planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Kathy.



March 27 at 4:19 PM



Eunice Alberson posted:

Kathy Riggle had one of those rare spirits that made the world feel a little lighter just by being in it. She had the biggest heart and a way of reminding everyone around her to look for the good, even when it wasn't easy to see or we really didn't want to see it. Kathy believed deeply that every situation held something positive, and she had a gentle but powerful way of challenging you to find it. Her laugh was unforgettable. It was the kind of laugh that filled a room and made everyone else start laughing too. It was warm, genuine, and completely contagious, just like her kindness. Kathy truly had a heart of gold. She loved people deeply and without hesitation. When she cared about you, you felt it in every conversation, every smile, every encouraging word. She loved big, lived with compassion, and left a lasting mark on everyone lucky enough to know her. I will miss her hugs. Her kindness, laughter, and unwavering belief in the good in life will always be remembered.

March 27 at 3:40 PM



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Slideshow



Service Recording



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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