



## Kathy Marie Fearneyhough

August 23, 1960 - January 19, 2021

Kathy M. Fearneyhough, 60, of Winchester passed away Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at Memorial Hospital. She was born, Aug. 23, 1960, the daughter of James "Weldon" and Gracie Cook Fearneyhough.

Surviving are daughters, Sierra Bettis and Kelsey Beck both of Winchester; granddaughter, Kollins Beck; father, Weldon Fearneyhough of Winchester; siblings; Janice (Jim) Bonds, Alan Fearneyhough, JD (Bobbi Sue) Fearneyhough all of Winchester and Sara (Dave) Barger of Springfield; several nieces and nephews; stepchildren, Tyler Bettis of Florida and Brooke (Zack) Smith of Waverly and step grandchildren, Mallory, Carson, Jaxon and Madilyn. She was preceded in death by her mother, Gracie.

Kathy worked for the State of Illinois as a DCFS investigator for more than 30 years. She was a diehard Cincinnati Reds fan, loved singing karaoke and was active in the county 4-H fairs. Kathy was the type of person to give her shirt off her back to anyone in need. She was very proud of where she came from and her family. One of her greatest joys was her granddaughter, Kollins and her grand dogs.

A funeral service will be held Friday, 10:30 a.m. Jan. 22, 2021, at the Daws Family Funeral Home in Winchester with interment in the Winchester City Cemetery. A visitation will be held 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21,

2021, at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Winchester EMS.

# Cemetery Details

## Winchester City Cemetery

Cherry Street  
Winchester, IL 62694

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Daws Family Funeral Home - Winchester  
657 N. Main  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mackey Daws Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kathy Marie Fearneyhough*



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**Daws Funeral Homes** - January 21, 2021 at 10:57 AM



“ *Kathy Marie Fearneyhough*

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January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *I would like to leave my condolences to the family. I worked with Kathy at DCFS for many years. I was on her licensing team with Lou Carmody and Brad McElfresh. Kathy was a caring lady and put her all in her work. I'm glad I knew her. I enjoyed debating her on who had the better baseball team, St Louis or Cincinnati. I remember her Reds jacket she kept in her office. She would put on when she got chilly. She was a joy to be around. Dave Carter*

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**Dave Carter** - January 22, 2021 at 10:45 AM

BS

“ *Dear Sara and family,*

*Roy and I were sorry to see this and wish you strength. If we can help out in any way, please let us know.*

*Beth Szillagyi  
Roy Sims*

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**Beth Szillagyi** - January 21, 2021 at 05:00 PM

DR

“ *Several years ago Kathy bought two burning bushes and brought them to Cathy and me. One of them is still living and will be a living memory of Kathy next to my back door. I extend my deepest sympathy at Kathy's passing. She will be missed. Dave Rhea*

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**David Rhea** - January 21, 2021 at 03:27 PM

GE

“ *Jan we are so sorry to hear about your sister. We will be praying and thinking about. Bob and Glenda Evans.*

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**glenda evans** - January 21, 2021 at 12:18 PM



“ *Red Poinsettia (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Kathy Marie Fearneyhough.*



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January 21, 2021 at 11:42 AM

VV

“ Kathy had such a sweet soul. We were friends as well as coworkers. She loved giving me crap about my Cubbies and Cowboys. She is sadly missed. Sierra, Kelsey and Sara; please find peace in the memories of this beautiful person!

Vicky Vinyard - January 21, 2021 at 11:34 AM

MP

“ I loved showing sheep at 4H fair in Winchester with her ! When we were kids ! Never forget the night Janice took all of us the the Illinois river for a snipe hunt and so much fun !  
I am so broken hearted over her death ! She was my best friend as a kid in 4 H ! Rest in Peace ! You will always be that young woman in 4 H in my heart !

Mike Palmer - January 21, 2021 at 09:24 AM

RP

“ Richard And Rosemary Peterson lit a candle in memory of Kathy Marie Fearneyhough



Richard and Rosemary Peterson - January 21, 2021 at 08:36 AM

MM

“ So very sorry to hear of Kathy's passing away. Kathy was such a wonderful and kind person. Thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Martha Herring Meyer - January 20, 2021 at 09:42 AM

BE

“ So Very Sorry for Y'all's Loss. I Remember Kathy in High School. She was a Great Softball Player. She was a Great friend and also had Great Family

Billy Eddinger - January 20, 2021 at 05:57 AM

SL

“ Kathy was one of my college roommates. She always knew how to have fun. I'll never forget the time we went to St. Louis to watch the Reds play. She loved Johnny Bench! My prayers are with her family at this sad time.

Shawn Lane - January 19, 2021 at 10:15 PM

JL

“ Kathy was my mentor & my friend. She was the most insightful person I've ever known. I would never have survived 27 years of state service in child welfare without learning from the best. While my heart is broken I know I am blessed to have had her in my life.

jill lautemann - January 19, 2021 at 10:04 PM

KT

“ Such a awesome friend. Would do anything to help. I'm going to miss her. She always made me laugh. Fly High My Friend ! You will always be a Bright Star ! ✨  
❤️



Kelly Thomas - January 19, 2021 at 09:29 PM

David Chesko

“ I knew Kathy and worked with her at DCFS for many years. She was such a dedicated employee and deeply devoted to her family. Please know that we are devastated at your loss and pray for Kathy and her family.

David Chesko, DCFS (Ret.)

David Chesko - January 19, 2021 at 08:58 PM

KD

“ Kristy DeWitt lit a candle in memory of Kathy Marie Fearneyhough



Kristy DeWitt - January 19, 2021 at 08:38 PM

KR

Kathy you were always there when I had questions concerning daycare!! Even after you retired you were there for me as well as others! You were a true friend!! You're going to be missed by so many, and I die one am not sure what I'll do without our phone conversations!!! It's not goodbye-until we meet again!

kristy - January 21, 2021 at 11:21 AM

MF

“ Mike And Cindy French lit a candle in memory of Kathy Marie Fearneyhough



mike and cindy french - January 19, 2021 at 07:31 PM

LG

*I worked with Kathy for my first 3 years at DCFS in Jacksonville. Her humor and compassion is what made me stay. Heartbroken to hear of her death. My sincere sympathies to her family. LuAnn Gab*

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**LuAnn Gab** - January 20, 2021 at 01:08 PM

MP

*I saw a bright red cardinal in my tree this morning 1 i pray that it was Kathy on her way to heaven stopping by to say goodbye ! I always heard when a true friend passes away that a cardinal will show up !*

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**Mike Palmer** - January 21, 2021 at 05:47 PM