



Eileen Gaebel

April 22, 1957 - October 27, 2013

OBITUARY Saugerties – Eileen Gaebel passed away suddenly Sunday October 27, 2013 at St. Peter’s Hospital in Albany, NY. She was 56 years old. At her bedside during the week was her devoted husband, Klaus, her loving daughter, Karisa, and her very close friends Liz and Pat Flannery. Born April 22, 1957 in Kingston, NY, she was the daughter of Harry and Delta Williams Zehnick. She was raised from childhood by her God Parents, Walt and Mary Wilson. On March 28, 1981 she married the love of her life, Klaus Gaebel, at St. Joseph’s Church in Glasco, NY. She was employed by Benedictine Hospital in various clerical duties for more than 35 years and most recently was in Outpatient Scheduling for HealthAlliance, the successor of Benedictine Hospital. She enjoyed getting together with family and hosting friends, entertaining, and loved both cooking and baking and taking care of the cats she had in her life. She loved to travel, having been to Europe over six times, and enjoyed bringing back gifts for the children of friends. Eileen was very active in her daughter’s life, from school activities to her daughter’s equestrian events and taking care of Texas Star – the horse owned by the daughter. Both a loving and devoted mother and wife, she leaves loving memories to be cherished by her surviving husband of 32 years, Klaus Gaebel and their daughter, Karisa Gaebel, who is an extremely successful student at Western New England University in Massachusetts, and will begin her accounting career with a top-four accounting firm after graduation. In addition survivors include her siblings, Tommy Zehnick and his wife Jill of Lake Katrine, Sharon

Filipowicz and her husband Ralph of Rifton, Harriet Zehnick of Kerhonkson, Dolores Banks and her husband Ronald of Esopus, and Jack Zehnick and his wife Cookie of Sawkill; and her sister in law, Lela Smith of Saugerties. She was pre-deceased by two sisters, Beatrice Felt and Rose Rosekrause; and by two brothers, Rusty and Edward Smith. Surviving in-laws include brother-in-law Peter Gaebel and his wife Nancy, their son Peter Jr., his wife Kelly and their children Zachary and Benjamin; sister-in-law Monica Gaebel and her husband Kenneth of Phoenicia, their sons Kenneth Palmer of Ulster and Julian Palmer of Phoenicia and their daughter Erika Palmer at Coastal Carolina University in Myrtle Beach; brother-in-law Michael Gaebel of Tampa; brother-in-law Ronald Gaebel and his wife Venus of Catskill and their sons Ryan and Matthew. Also surviving are her Uncle by marriage, Dieter Gaebel and his wife Linda of Holbrook, NY and their children Robert and Christine; her Uncle by marriage, Norbert Gaebel and his wife Sheryl of Frankenmuth, MI, and their child Ashley; her Aunt by marriage, Ingelore Wöhnke and her husband Klaus and their children Claus and Stefan, all of Germany; and very dear friends in Saugerties, Liz and Pat Flannery and their children, Sabrina and Rich Franchini, Lynn and Mike Abate, Bonnie and Paul VanBenschoten, and Joann and Dennis Cooper. Funeral services will be held Noon on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at Buono Funeral Service, Inc., Saugerties. Interment of cremains will follow immediately in Blue Mt. Cemetery. Friends may call Saturday 10:00 AM until Noon at Buono Funeral Service, Inc.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eileen Gaebel*

October 20, 2022 at 08:34 PM



“ *Dear Klaus and Karisa,
we are very sorry, that we could not be with you on Sunday. Eileen
was such a wonderful person. She will always be with us. We will
never forget her. Our thoughts are with you .
Love - Claus and Steffi with Clara & Luiz, Klaus & Ingelore*

Claus & Steffi - Hamburg/Germany - November 05, 2013 at 01:22 PM



“ *Dear Klauss and Karissa,
I recently spoke with Eileen and she was saying how proud she was
of her Karissa! I had Karissa in my Day Care center when she was
a little girl and Eileen was a joy to deal with and was always so
willing to share her pool on those very hot summer days. My
prayers and sympathy to both of you.
Sharon Parker*

Sharon Parker - November 02, 2013 at 07:42 PM



“ *Dear Klauss and Karisa I was saddened to hear of Eileen's passing.
She has certainly left a void here on earth but she is at peace with
the Lord. May your happy memories sustain you at this time and in
the future. She was always so proud and spoke so highly of you
both. She will always be with you in spirit. With deepest sympathy,
Dolores Brink*

Dolores Brink - November 02, 2013 at 07:34 PM

FC

“ Klaus and Karisa - Linda and I send our deepest condolences on Eileen's passing. There are no words powerful enough to soothe the pain you feel but hopefully the caring of your friends and love for one another will help ease you through this sad time.

Frank

Frank & Linda Casciaro - November 02, 2013 at 08:53 AM

PA

“ Klaus and Karisa,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you, your family, extended family and friends. We are very sorry for this premature and sudden loss of your wonderful wife, mother and friend. Please accept our sincerest condolences.

Paul & Claudia Andreassen - November 01, 2013 at 08:01 PM

KV

“ From the moment my aunt and uncle fostered Eileen she became my "cousin" and I loved her as such. When she was young, she was my helper with my daughter and when she was eighteen, she became my son, Mark's godmother. Although we grew apart over the years, she was never far from my thoughts. My prayers go out to you Klaus and Karissa to stay strong for each other.

Kathleen Van Vlack - November 01, 2013 at 09:23 AM

WM

“ So sorry to hear of your loss Klaus and Karisa.
I worked with Eileen in Benedictine Hospital pharmacy many years ago and always enjoyed her energy.

Wayne McDonald - October 31, 2013 at 05:22 PM

NW

“ I knew Eileen since 1999 from Benedictine Hospital. She was a very pleasant, considerate and caring person. We use to have so many laughs together. She will be missed dearly. I miss those medical record days from Benedictine. My sympathy goes to her daughter and husband. They are all in my prayers. God Bless

Nerissa Wilson - October 31, 2013 at 01:58 PM

MG

“ Klaus and Karisa,

My heart goes out to the both of you, especially. You are in my thoughts every minute of my waking moments.

I am so saddened by the loss of dear, sweet Eileen. Yet, I am so very grateful to God for her being a part of my life. The tears are endless but, when I remember Eileen's happy genuine smile, she causes me to do the same. I thank you, Eileen.

She was such a special person to me, in so many ways. Her zest and passion for life and doing things right made a lasting impression on me yesterday, today and always.

I pray that strength and safety come to all who need it during this trying time.

May the Lord bless each member of my Family.

Michael Gaebel - October 31, 2013 at 12:43 PM

JR

“ Earth has lost the sweetest angel ever & now heaven has the best. Benedictine will never be the same without her cheerful greetings & awesome attitude. She's the glue that kept us all grounded & hopefully her legacy will fill her family with happy memories. It was a pleasure to know you & yes Eileen, Mama is doing ok. My sympathies go out to Klaus & Karisa. x0x0x

Judy Halpert Robins - October 31, 2013 at 10:00 AM

CD

“ Klaus and Karisa please accept the condolences of myself and my family. Eileen was an amazing, caring person who captivated the heart of all who were blessed enough to know her. She will be remembered by many and greatly missed by all. My life is better for having known Eileen and I am grateful for knowing her. I will never forget her charismatic personality and individuality. Forever in our Hearts.

Christina Drago-Malits - October 31, 2013 at 09:59 AM

MA

“ We have all lost an awesome person. She was always there whenever anyone needed a helping hand. She will be dearly missed not only by her family that she loved but by all of us that have cherished her friendship.

Mike & Lynn Abate - October 30, 2013 at 08:45 PM

NG

“ Dear Klaus, Karisa and Family, I'm sorry I am not able to be with you all. Please remember that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Love, Nancy

Ps. Klaus, I might be mistaken, but I think that is Eileen's Wedding Photo.. She looks "lovely".

Hugs and Kisses to all. May God Bless!!!!

Nancy Gaebel - October 30, 2013 at 07:37 PM

BN

“ Klaus and family,

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. We know you will miss Eileen so very much and her Benedictine family will miss her also. She has been the "bricks and mortar" of the hospital, always there with a cheery hello and a smile on her face.

Klaus, you and Eileen had something very special and she may not be physically here any longer but she will be with you for all the rest of your days.

With much sadness

Barbara & Kevin

Barbara & Kevin Naccarato - October 30, 2013 at 05:25 PM

SK

“ My thoughts are with you Klaus and family during this time of loss and celebration of life. Klaus you have lost a very dear friend and companion who I know you will miss ever so much. Your consolation is that she is at peace and now looking over you in a different way that you did not dream of so early in your life. It has been my pleasure to pass by Eileen every day and enjoy her smile and greeting for the day, this I am missing already. Karissa, I don't know you except for knowing how much both your parents love and respect you. If you are like your Mom, you will go a long way with your smile and warmth.

God bless each of you and sorry I am unable to come to the funeral, but at another funeral the same time.

Sr. Gabrielle Keenen Mary's Ave. Campus HA

Sr. Gabrielle Keenen - October 30, 2013 at 01:30 PM