



Kathleen M. Abels

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Kathleen Marie Abels, 73, of Vancouver, Washington, passed away on October 23, 2025. Born on March 23, 1952, Kathy was known for her electric smile and her joyous engagement in conversations, which charmed everyone she met.

She dedicated 30 years to the Vancouver School District, where she held various administrative positions, significantly impacting many young lives through her commitment to helping others.

Beyond her professional life, Kathy was an avid hiker, kayaker and actively pursued her spiritual growth. Her love for the outdoors and personal development were sources of great happiness and fulfillment in her life.

Kathy leaves behind her husband, William Anderson, and her children, Gary and Michelle and two grandchildren Amanda and Harland. She is also survived by her siblings, Steve, Linda, Mary, and David. Her presence will be profoundly missed by her family, friends, and all who knew her.

A memorial service will be held at Evergreen Memorial Gardens on November 15th at 10 a.m. Those wishing to honor Kathy's memory can send flowers to Evergreen Memorial Gardens on November 14th.

Kathy's life was marked by her love for her community, her passion for education, and her unwavering kindness. She will be remembered as a

beacon of light and warmth to all who had the privilege to know her.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory

1101 NE 112th Ave

Vancouver, WA 98684

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In our Chapel building.

Hospitality

NOV **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

GW

“ I will miss my cousin Kathy. I didn't see her often since I live in Minnesota, but visiting with her was always a fun time! Rest in peace Kathy! 🙏

Ginger Wiederich - October 27, 2025 at 02:21 PM

CD

“ Cousins Viv, Gin, Pat, Theresa & Dorothy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen M. Abels.

Cousins Viv, Gin, Pat, Theresa & Dorothy - October 27, 2025 at 02:17 PM

CD

“ Cousins Viv, Gin, Pat, Theresa & Dorothy purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Kathleen M. Abels.



Cousins Viv, Gin, Pat, Theresa & Dorothy - October 27, 2025 at 02:17 PM

GB

“ Bill we are so sorry for your loss. I'm so glad we got the opportunity to meet you on our trip in 2024 and to reconnect with Kathy who I hadn't seen in years. She was always smiling and so much fun to be around. I was shocked to hear of her passing. I know she is with God and making him smile. You're in our thoughts and prayers.

Gary and Vivian Brahmer - October 27, 2025 at 02:05 PM

SC

“ Scott purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kathleen M. Abels.



Scott - October 25, 2025 at 07:15 PM

NJ

“ I will so miss this fun Washington cousin! 😭 you always made our visits memorable. Rest in peace Kathy 🙏

Nancy Johnson - October 25, 2025 at 04:58 PM