



## Beverlee "Bev" J. Rydel

August 12, 1948 - July 21, 2015

Beverlee, "Bev", age 66, of Sterling Heights, passed away July 21, 2015 in Clinton Township. Devoted daughter to the late Teddy and Clara Rydel. Loving sister of Kate Tedsen. Dear cousin of Doug (Rosalie) Petroni, Tom (Kathy) Petroni, and Carolyn (Noel) Latour. Loved niece of May Petroni. Bev was also preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Chris Tedsen.

Professionally, Bev served as Vice President of Human Resources for several banking institutions, including First of America. In the 1990's she and her sister started their own business, TR Desktop Publishing. During that period, she co-authored two award-winning book series, Michigan Vacation Guide and Haunted Travels of Michigan.

Kate describes her sister; Kate was my sister "since birth" (Bev always said). She had an incredible wit, often sarcastic, and easily laughed. She was diagnosed with advance stage cancer in September 2012. Though her life expectancy was only 12 months, she fought through the multiple surgeries and chemo treatments with humor, incredible bravery and grace. During her fight with this disease, she always was more worried about me than herself. There is nothing she would not have done for me. There is nothing I would not have done for her. I am blessed to have known her. I am even more blessed to have been her sister. She will be always loved and missed. A private memorial will be held in her honor.

Memorials are appreciated to the American Cancer Society or the Michigan Humane Society. Arrangements entrusted to the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Utica, Michigan. Please share a thought or memory with Bev's family at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Previous Events

## Private Memorial Service

JUL **23** (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Beverlee "Bev" J. Rydel.*



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August 15, 2015 at 11:45 AM



“ *We met Bev at Mlparacon in the soo locks in 2010 or 11, enjoyed her & Kats presentation and books. We got to know her a little better through her work with our case, We were privileged to be featured in their book. She was always laughing and joking. A sarcastic humor, like us, so we enjoyed our interactions. We were very saddened to hear of her passing. Our hearts go out to the family, especially Kat. They were sister's, best friends, partners and travel companions. I know this is a huge loss for Kat. Our prayers will continue and sending lots of positive, healing energy. God Bless!*

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**Ronda (Jason) Spears** - August 15, 2015 at 10:46 AM



“ *Sue Bailey-Burt lit a candle in memory of Beverlee "Bev" J. Rydel*



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**Sue Bailey-Burt** - August 15, 2015 at 10:15 AM



*“ I knew Bev since 2011,, I will always remember her kindness and acceptance of a new friend, she was fun, and a beautiful woman and will miss her, my heart goes out to her sister Kat, and her family sue burt*

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**Sue Bailey-Burt** - August 15, 2015 at 10:14 AM

KS

*“ I only knew Bev through FB and the books. I was shocked to discover she had passed when I wished her a happy birthday today. Kathleen, my heart goes out to you. I could feel how very deeply you loved your sister and she you. Just one minute at a time.*

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**kim schmidt** - August 12, 2015 at 04:10 PM



*Thank you, Kim.*

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**Kathleen Tedsen** - August 15, 2015 at 10:06 AM

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*“ KATE, SO SORRY TO HEAR OF BEV'S PASSING,OUR CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO YOU. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND BEV.*

*TOM AND MARY RYDEL*

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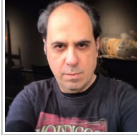
**THOMAS RYDEL** - July 28, 2015 at 04:14 PM



*Thank you, Tom.*

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**Kathleen Tedsen** - August 15, 2015 at 10:06 AM



“ *God bless her. Buon anima.*

*Marcio Alessandri  
São Paulo, Brasil*

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**Marcio Alessandri** - July 28, 2015 at 01:42 PM



*Thank you so much.*

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**Kathleen Tedsen** - August 15, 2015 at 10:07 AM

DP

“ *In addition to the achievements cited in the the obituary written by cousin Kathleen, I would like to add that Beverlee has been such an inspiration and role model for me at several times of my life. It should be noted that she was the first to achieve a university education in our family. She, I believe, was a member of the first or second graduating class of Oakland University. Bev also went on to earn a Masters Degree. Her success in business, her love of small animals, her mild and understanding temperment and humor, and finally, her heroic, courageous fight against this evil disease have all had a strong influence upon me. I have told her thus, several times in the waning months.*

*Most lately, however, I am drawn to fond memories of our family's many, many gatherings, both big and small during our childhoods. These occurred both way back in Detroit and surrounding area and then later in their new home in Sterling Heights. What a happy childhood and lifelong loving memories of Beverlee for this grateful cousin.*

*Douglas Petroni*

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**Douglas Petroni** - July 28, 2015 at 11:22 AM

KT

*Thank you cousin for your love, support and friendship to Bev and I over these years. Bev was definitely my inspiration and so are you.*

**Kate Tedsen** - July 29, 2015 at 01:59 PM

WA

*“ To the family of Beverlee Rydel : Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. While we don't know one another, experiencing the devastation of losing a loved one is something we all face in our lives. The Bible promises a time when "death will be no more" (Rev 21:3.4) and assures us that God hears our prayers (Ps 55:22). I hope this brings you some peace during this difficult time.*

**Wanda** - July 28, 2015 at 07:45 AM

KT

*Thank you and God Bless.*

**Kate Tedsen** - July 29, 2015 at 01:58 PM

GL

*“ I am so sorry to hear of Bev's passing - I worked with her for many, many years at Bank of Commerce and shared many fun times.....Bev was truly one of a kind, she'll be missed....Kate, you are truly in my prayers ..... they say when someone we love dies, they don't really go away, they live on in our hearts.....Bev's love will always be in your heart.....*

**Gayle Lane** - July 27, 2015 at 08:58 AM

KT

*I remember you, Gayle. Bev spoke of you often. Thank you for your thoughtful comment. She will always be in my heart.*

**Kate Tedsen** - July 29, 2015 at 02:00 PM

KB

“ Sorry to hear of Bev's passing. Joel and I worked with Bev and Chris (Tedsen) for many years at Bank of Commerce. Our deepest sympathy to the Rydel family.  
Kathy & Joel Burgio

Kathy Burgio - July 27, 2015 at 07:59 AM

KT

Thank you for your comment, Kathy.

Kate Tedsen - July 29, 2015 at 02:00 PM

CJ

“ Christine John lit a candle in memory of Beverlee "Bev" J. Rydel



Christine John - July 26, 2015 at 04:10 PM

CJ

I didn't know Bev personally, but I enjoyed reading her books. She was a great writer along with her sister Kat.

Christine John - July 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

VO

“ Good memories from a couple that lived in your neighborhood in Sterling Heights back in the '60's when Bev was a little girl and Vince worked with Bev's Dad at Ford's. So sorry to hear about Bev.  
Vince and Joyce Orban  
Gladwin, Mich.

Vince and Joyce Orban - July 26, 2015 at 03:42 PM



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**Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors** - July 26, 2015 at 09:14 AM

SB

“ My condolences to Bev's family. I'll always remember her quick wit and humor. We worked together for many years and she was always there to listen and help. She will be missed.

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**Sue Bottcher** - July 26, 2015 at 09:11 AM

JH

“ I remember the Rydal family, my neighbors on Mac Rae.. How much they cared for each other. Looking after Clara, their mother. Two sisters who created a business together, traveling through Michigan to write books about Michigan vacation places and haunted places in Michigan. My daughter Diane and I have these books.

*My sincere sympathy and prayers to you. Jean Hibbeln*

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**Jean Hibbeln** - July 26, 2015 at 08:45 AM

CJ

“ I remember one event that we met Kat and Bev at. I brought them home made fudge. They seemed to really like it :) Evidently it didn't go to waste :) Sending love and prayers to both Kat and Bev!

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**Connie Jones** - July 23, 2015 at 12:28 PM