



Julie Ann Broughton

May 29, 1974 - February 1, 2026

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Age 51, passed away on February 1, 2026.

Julie was born on May 29, 1974, in Detroit to Robert Broughton and Jilinda Sirr Broughton. She was a graduate of Warren High School and proudly joined the United States Army in 1992, serving her country in Vicenza, Italy. Julie was military through and through-a fact she carried with pride throughout her life.

Julie had a deep love for dancing and, for many years, taught line dancing, sharing her joy and energy with everyone around her. In more recent years, she found happiness in interior decorating and bead work. She had a sharp sense of humor and a natural way of making people laugh. Though she claimed not to like being the center of attention, she secretly enjoyed it just a little.

Fiercely protective of her family and endlessly kind-hearted, Julie was a true good Samaritan who never hesitated to help others. She will be fondly remembered as the "dog whisperer," with an extraordinary gift for training and understanding dogs. Her love for animals was unmatched, and she shared a special bond with her faithful companion, Charcoal.

Julie's legacy extends far beyond her personal life. Beginning in the early 1990s, she courageously pursued a legal case against the military to advocate for disabled women veterans. After years of persistence and diligence, she won her case in 2001, setting a legal precedent that has since allowed all military members to receive medical disability benefits. Her determination changed lives and continues to do so.

Beloved daughter of Jilinda (Keith) Molnar and the late Robert Broughton. Dear sister of Kellie Tolstoy, Amy (Tim) Hockey, Bobby Broughton, Stephanie (Jack) Mrozinski, Larry Broughton, and Rachael Richmond. Loving niece of Karen Hardy and Chris Broughton. Also survived by her significant other, Bill Jasper, doting pet Charcoal, and her godmother, Linda Barrer.

Julie will be laid to rest at Great Lakes National Cemetery on Friday, May 29 at 2:00 pm. Military honors will be rendered by the United States Army.

Memorial contributions in Julie's memory may be made to Hawkeye & Friends Dog Rescue & Sanctuary, 8970 E. Imlay City Road, Imlay City, Michigan.

Share your memories and condolences at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

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Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Previous Events

Inurnment

MAY **29**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I did not know Julie personally, but I am a close friend to her sister Amy. Her passing is a tragic loss for her family and loved ones, but it is obvious that the legacy of her spirit and kindness is carried on. She is at peace now. My deepest sympathies to all of you. May fond memories bring you comfort and peace.

Michele Dawson - May 27 at 08:47 PM

MA

“ As she is made worthy of the promises of Christ, her soul is lead to heaven where she will rest in peace.
Mary and Al

Mary and Al - February 07 at 12:48 PM

JR

“ I'm so sorry to all who loved Julie. My condolences to her family.

John Roark - February 06 at 11:08 PM