



Kathleen Stange

March 25, 1957 - January 27, 2026

Kathleen Malloy Stange passed away on February 4, 2026, at her home in Royal Oak, Michigan. Born on March 25, 1957, in Royal Oak, she spent most of her childhood in Farmington Hills. Kathleen would later move to Chicago to start her career in sales, which flourished with her vivacious personality, eye for detail and impeccable taste, and her ability to connect with people (and make them laugh!).

Kathy will be remembered for her big personality. Most people would describe her as spunky, sassy, quick-witted, and very sarcastic. She never took herself too seriously, and loved a good laugh (with a snort!) and an inside joke. Kathy was unapologetically herself and connected with people in a way that made them feel seen and appreciated for who they were. She brought out a sense of humor in everyone she met and encouraged people to be silly, fun, and joyous. She loved any excuse to dance, whether it was on the dance floor or just in the car. Kathy loved her family fiercely. She was loved dearly by her family and her in-laws. She dedicated so much love to her daughters, as well as her nieces and nephews. She had a special and unique relationship with all of them; everyone can remember a few hilarious Aunt Kathy memories. Kathy had a strong faith and found community at St. James Church, where she was an active member for over 20 years.

She spent much of the last decade fully committed to her newest role,

Grammy. Grammy was always there for family dinners, soccer practices and games, bedtimes, birthday parties, school events and everything in between - any way she could to show up for her daughters, son in law, and her grandson. She will be deeply missed.

Kathy is survived by her daughters Maxine (Kevin) and J Stange, and her grandson Kasen, who were all truly the lights of her life. She is survived by her brother Bill (Holly) Malloy, her mother-in-law Mary Ann Stange, and by many brothers and sisters-in-law. She also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, each of whom she loved so much. Kathy was preceded in death by her mother, Lois (John) Furr, her father William (Ginny) Malloy, her former spouse, Doug Stange, and her father in-law Don Stange.

There will be a memorial service honoring the life of Kathleen at St. James Episcopal Church in Birmingham, Michigan, on February 27, 2026 at 11 am, with lunch to follow. The family kindly asks to consider making a donation to St. James Episcopal Church in Birmingham in Kathy's memory.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James Episcopal Church
355 W. Maple Road
Birmingham, MI 48009

Tribute Wall

LO

“ Kathleen was my direct report at Avanti for approximately 12 years. We hit it off so to speak pretty quickly. I knew we would when I saw the sticker on the back of her car the first day. We were on the same page. She was always kind and fun to be around. We had many good conversations in our travels. I know her family will miss her very much.

Linda OConnor - February 26 at 05:41 PM

LO

“ Linda O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Stange.

Linda O. - February 26 at 05:34 PM

LJ

“ Love, Katie, Jake, and Ryan Johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Stange.

Love, Katie, Jake, and Ryan Johnson - February 25 at 06:47 PM

LJ

“ Love, Katie, Jake, and Ryan Johnson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kathleen Stange.



Love, Katie, Jake, and Ryan Johnson - February 25 at 06:47 PM

DS

“ I'm still so in shock & saddened and heart broken by this. We had many good times & laughs from trips up north just to chill over coffee (loved it strong!) with lots of conversation, books, Scrabble (great Scrabble player usually beating me lol). She loved to watch the birds up north, beach afternoons or hikes in the woods and of course some cocktails! Would do dinner/movie every couple months, festivals & music events.
Sending so many prayers to her family. I will surely miss her and her larger than life personality 💕🙏😊

Debbie Stange - February 23 at 08:13 AM

SA

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. Kathleen was a wonderful friend and colleague. I will miss our long phone calls - and yes, her snort. She may be gone, but she will never be forgotten.
Sally

Sally - February 21 at 12:21 PM

PT

“ Pat & Tom purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Kathleen Stange.



Pat & Tom - February 20 at 01:35 PM

CR

“ Crispelli's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Stange.

Crispelli's - February 13 at 07:16 PM

CR

“ *Crispelli's purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Kathleen Stange.*



Crispelli's - February 13 at 07:16 PM

JC

“ *My son Tyler and Maxine went to school together and hung out a lot. With that I got the pleasure to meet Kathy. I loved hanging out with Kathy. She found fun in everything! She was so easy to talk to! We had a lot of good times and a lot of laughs! My only one regret is when our kids got older we drifted apart! My heart goes out to Maxine and her sister! I only hope they find peace in knowing she is their guardian angel!!!*

♥️ □️ ♥️ □️ Jen

jen clark - February 13 at 04:28 PM

JC

“ *Jen Clark lit a candle in memory of Kathleen Stange*



jen clark - February 13 at 04:22 PM