



Kimberly A. Aiello

May 31, 1955 - September 16, 2021

Kimberly Ann Aiello, a resident of Troy, Michigan, passed away on Sept. 16, 2021, at 66-years-old. Her final days were spent as she lived: passionately and adventurously.

Kim was born in Chicago, Illinois on May 31, 1955, but her formative years were spent in Orlando, Florida. She told stories of running barefoot through the woods, snatching ripe fruit off of orange trees and pulling pranks with her siblings and neighborhood friends. Kim graduated from Lyman High School in 1973. She later moved to Georgia to work as a flight attendant with Eastern Airlines. Those years, spent dancing nights away in Atlanta discos and traveling the world, instilled in her a fierce independence and love of flight that would remain throughout her life. She moved to Detroit in the '80s to start a family. To her daughters, Kim was the consummate mother. Her seemingly boundless energy for late night studying, making lunches, carpooling and sewing ballet costumes was surpassed only by her dedication to her daughters' dreams. After her youngest left home, she donned her wings once again in 2008. She would continue her work as a stewardess, most recently with Delta's Endeavor Airlines, for the remainder of her life.

Tenaciously active, Kim wouldn't let a day go by without breaking a sweat. She loved gardening, baking and laughing with friends over a glass (or two) of wine. She spent her time making beautiful things for friends she adored and

exploring the astonishing beauty of nature. Most of all, Kim treasured her role as a cheerleader, confidante and friend to her daughters.

Kim is survived by her two daughters, Alexandra (Anthony Ceretti) Aiello and Chloe Aiello; her siblings, Lisa Goodrich and Jimmy Clinton; her adoptive father, Harry Clinton; her former spouse, Jerry Aiello; and her cherished cat, Rosie. She was preceded in death by her mother, Sally Ann Clinton.

A funeral mass will be held at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica on Friday, Sept. 24. Visitation will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a Mass to follow at 12 p.m. For those unable to attend the funeral, it will be livestreamed at <https://shrinechurch.com/live-streamed-mass>. Arrangements are under direction of Wm. Sullivan and Sons Funeral Directors. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the United States Fund for UNICEF.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

SEP **24**. 12:00 PM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Kimberly A. Aiello*



Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors - September 24, 2021 at 09:11 AM

DO

“ *I was at Pictured Rocks the afternoon of 9/16 and have photos of 2 kayakers, that I believe to be Kimberley and David. They were the only 2 people on the lake that day. It is not a great picture of them, as they are in the distance, and my focus was the landscape. If loved ones would like this photo, please contact me.*

*Doug
513-310-9818*

Doug - September 27, 2021 at 11:58 AM

KG

“ Alex and Chloe,
Your mother was a bright shining light in the family for so many years. What a beautiful lady, physically and internally. She did everything with class, joy, love and perfection. I was always in awe of her. She adored being your mother and loving and nurturing you two. Her pride in you was boundless. How lucky for both of you that you share her beauty and grace.
There's a precious angel in Heaven looking down on you and watching over you now. I hope you can find comfort in all of your beautiful memories. You will be in my prayers.

Sending love to you both
Karen Gahr

Karen D Gahr - September 25, 2021 at 02:40 PM



“ Chloe and Alex,
I have many fond memories of talking with your lovely mom during recitals and performances. I didn't know her outside of the studio, but she seemed like a very kind and generous person with her time and resources. Tawny and I are so sad to hear of her passing and hope the two of you can find strength in each other. Sending our love and prayers to you both and your families.



Karen Sanders and Tawny (Sanders) Bause

Karen Sanders - September 24, 2021 at 12:44 PM

AS

“ I flew with Kim at Endeavor several times. She was great to work with and always fun to be around. So sorry for your loss.

Aaron Spangler - September 24, 2021 at 10:41 AM

WF

“ *Wave and Lincoln family purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.*



Wave and Lincoln family - September 23, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.*



September 23, 2021 at 12:36 PM

JL

“ *For over 10 years, the Aiellos lived across the street from us in Somerset North. My favorite memory was how generously they shared their pool and drinks with us during the Great Blackout of 2003. And Chloe used to babysit our kids, Collin and Shannon. Our prayers go out to the family and friends of this wonderful lady.*

Jeff and Debbie Lambrecht - September 23, 2021 at 06:41 AM

MZ

“ *Michael J. Zych/MSP-F/A*



Michael J. Zych/MSP-F/A - September 22, 2021 at 11:55 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.



September 22, 2021 at 08:29 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.



September 22, 2021 at 08:13 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.



September 22, 2021 at 12:39 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.



September 22, 2021 at 12:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.*



September 22, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ *I will miss so so many of our good times together,, wish the world were full of more people like you,, love you always,, Patty Thomas*



Patricia Thomas - September 22, 2021 at 07:36 AM



“ *We were so saddened to hear of your mother's passing. She was a special person who was always gracious, kind, and fun to be with. She will be missed!*□□

The Glovis Family - September 21, 2021 at 11:02 PM



“ *I met Kim at Flight Attendant training Eastern Airlines 1979! We were in our 20's! We were the best of friends and she came to my wedding in 1982 in Chicago. Always stayed in touch! She was one of my favorite girlfriends; we just clicked! I will miss the hugs and her sweet voice. I'm sure she is in paradise with God*

Pat Behnke - September 21, 2021 at 08:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.*



September 21, 2021 at 08:27 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Kimberly A. Aiello.*



September 21, 2021 at 08:17 PM