



## Lorie Kaye McIntosh

August 19, 1976 - June 19, 2024

Lorie Kaye McIntosh was born August 19, 1976, in Dearborn, Michigan, at the former Oakwood Hospital. She attended and graduated from Gabriel Richard Catholic High School in Riverview, MI with the class of 1994. She went on to become a certified paralegal and then went on to receive her bachelor's in accounting. Lorie's journey took a new turn when she married Scott Burnham, and together they were blessed with the gift of four children: Jenna, Jack, Joel, and Jade. After parting ways with Scott, Lorie's path led her to someone new, bringing the arrival of two more children into her life: Winter and Roman. Lorie's daughter, Jenna, is enlisted in the U.S. Navy and no doubt Lorie is happy that Jenna was able to come home to say goodbye to her mom.

Lorie lived a life filled with love, strength, hard work, and resilience for her children. There were many challenges she faced after her diagnosis. The first two years of her treatments went well for her physically. The last six months were proving to be more difficult for her, the last three months she was living with severe back pain, and then the last week was extremely painful for her right up until the end. But Lorie was a fighter in every sense of the word. Juggling three jobs to support her family while battling a serious illness showcased her determination and dedication. Regardless of the immense pain and physical struggles of the cancer she endured, she continued to maintain all three jobs.

As a substitute teacher, Lorie touched the lives of many and was loved, appreciated and respected by her Eppler Junior High family. Her role as a crossing guard, at the corner of her house, also provided her with financial support, even in the midst of her own struggles.

Working part-time as a kitchen aid at Beaumont Hospital in Troy, Lorie demonstrated her caring nature by serving patients with kindness and compassion. When her health began to decline, she faced the difficult decision of resigning. However, fate intervened, presenting her with a new opportunity in the hospital kitchen that allowed her to continue working while managing her health.

Lorie's dedication to her family was solid, and her love for her children, home, and cats shone through in everything she did. Despite being a self-proclaimed homebody, she cherished the annual vacations spent on the water, up north in Michigan, with her family.

Lorie's warm and welcoming nature endeared her to everyone she met. Her kind spirit and genuine care for others left a lasting impression on all who knew her and that resulted in her being loved by so many. As her family hears stories, daily, from those whose lives she touched, they are comforted by the impact she had on those around her.

Lorie Kaye McIntosh, age 47, of Utica, Michigan, passed away, after a long battle of metastatic colon cancer on Wednesday June 19, 2024. In addition to her passing, she is preceded in death by her grandma Marguerite DeWaelsche; grandma Doris McIntosh, grandfather Bob McIntosh, aunts: June Neph and Janet DiBiase and an uncle, Glen McIntosh.

Left to cherish her memory, she leaves: six children: Jenna, Jack, Joel, Jade, Winter and Roman; her mother: Karen (Fred) DeWaelsche-Gamber; her father: Steven (Diane) McIntosh. Also supporting Lorie in her journey are

aunts: Kay (Jim); Judy, two uncles Leonard, Donald (Darlene); a niece: Angelique; and four cousins: Karen, Krissy, Danny and Katelyn. This entire family was very generous and supportive which Lorie was so grateful for.

Family and Friends will gather on Friday June 28, 2024, from 4-8pm and a Eulogy service at 6pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors, 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks E. of Van Dyke) Utica, Michigan.

Lorie was an organ donor, and she gave someone the gift of looking at the world through her beautiful blue eyes. Per Lorie's wishes, cremation will follow. Please share a memory with her family at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JUN 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home  
8459 Hall Road  
Utica, MI 48317  
(586) 731-2411  
utica@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

### Eulogy Service

JUN 28. 6:00 PM (ET)

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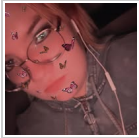
# Tribute Wall

KM

“ *Kay McKinnon*

*Lorie was my niece and from the time she was born, she had the most wonderful spirit and joy and beauty about her. She was definitely the apple of her Grandma De's eye and their closeness eased much of the loneliness mom experienced. Lorie had such tremendous strength of mind & spirit. When it was time to let go, Mom, Dad, Auntie Jan & Auntie June were there to welcome her to the next plane of life. Godspeed Lorie-Lou. We so love you and you will be greatly missed. Aunt Kay*

**kay m mckinnon** - August 09, 2024 at 06:21 PM



“ *so sorry for your loss - beck <3*

**Beck Bailey** - July 07, 2024 at 01:48 AM

AG

“ *Although I only worked with Lorie for a short time, I am glad to have met her. She was very hardworking and kind despite everything she was going through. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family.*



**Ava Gottschling** - June 28, 2024 at 11:29 AM

CM

“ Today is my dear friend’s funeral. She was one of our first friends when we moved to Utica. Actually, our kids were friends first; they just kind of swept up my kids and welcomed them to the community.

*That’s exactly how Lorie is. She is kind, welcoming, patient, generous.... I could go on and on. She’s an amazing Mother and was still in the process of raising her young humans.*

*I will miss her so much. Our chats and texts throughout the week. The hand waves passing each other through the neighborhood as we chauffeured our kiddos around. Some weeks got busy and we didn’t catch up for a few days and she sent me a message saying “It feels like we broke up!” We definitely “got each other” We speak sarcasm and she always cracked me up.*

*Lorie is the strongest person I know. I highly admire her and I have for years. She always had so much going on with the kids, family, work, trying to make ends meet and make sure the kids were healthy, happy and safe.*

*She made it look easy.*

*I don’t know how she always did it. She is strong. She put the positivity in every situation. Some people didn’t even know she was struggling or in pain. She put others first - Always.*

*I will miss her.*

*I’m happy to know her sweet kids and to know they are nearby.*

*I will always be here for them.*

*They have a special place in my heart ❤️*

*RIP Lorie. You are a great friend, and I will still wave and say hello when I walk by the house. We can still keep each other in the loop*



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**Carol Mondello** - June 28, 2024 at 11:21 AM

YJ

“ Your neighbors Jody, Tori, & John planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lorie Kaye McIntosh.

Your neighbors Jody, Tori, & John - June 27, 2024 at 04:10 PM

NW

“ RIP, sorry for your loss. Westrick family



Nelson Westrick - June 26, 2024 at 08:47 PM

GD

“ Goodwill of Greater Detroit purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Lorie Kaye McIntosh.



Goodwill of Greater Detroit - June 26, 2024 at 10:42 AM

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“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lorie Kaye McIntosh.*



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June 25, 2024 at 11:41 AM



“ *Eppler Junior High family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lorie Kaye McIntosh.*

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**Eppler Junior High family** - June 25, 2024 at 11:41 AM



“ *I have never personally met Lorie but I have followed her struggle with her health battles through my daughter Autumn who worked with her at Eppler. For the past 2 and a half years I have admired her strength, her power of positivity, her kindness and her resilience and her joy of family. She has taught me so much about true strength. She will be missed*

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**jackie nannini** - June 24, 2024 at 02:23 PM



*Goodbye dear friend you fought to the end rest at Gods side knowing you have made a difference in so many lives.  
Jack Lane*

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**John Lane** - June 24, 2024 at 03:43 PM