



Cathí Ann (Knípe) O'Toole September 21, 1953 – January 9, 2023

Friday, March 10, 2023

### **PRELUDE**

"You've Got a Friend"

**GREETING** 

**PRAYER** 

\*HYMN OF ADORATION

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

New Century Hymnal #28 (verses 1,2,4)

#### WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

Bonnalee Finlay

#### PRAYER OF COMFORT & PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

Reverend Dr. Donna J. Rhaney

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

#### MUSICAL REFLECTION

"You Raise Me Up"

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Reverend Dr. Donna J. Rhaney

Psalms 139 & 23

SERMON Rev. Holly MillerShank

**HYMN** 

"Amazing Grace"

New Century Hymnal #547 verses 1,3,5

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERSESSION

COMMENDATION

**MUSICAL REFLECTION** 

"Crazy"

**BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE** 

"My Way"





## Cathi Ann (Knipe) O'Toole

Cathi O'Toole, 69, formally of Shrewsbury MA, passed away January 9th at her home in Tampa Florida. She leaves her daughter Bonnalee Finlay and husband Chad of Dudley MA and her grandchildren Skylar and Fox. She leaves her brother John F. Knipe Jr. and wife Cindy of Shrewsbury MA; sister Donna Rhaney and her husband Lorin of Ruther Glen VA; her brother and "partner in crime" Robert Knipe of Tampa FL; sister Susan Kelley and her husband Steven of Merrimack NH; and sister Margie Hertz and her companion Ron Weaver of Portland OR; stepdaughters Erin and Colleen O'Toole and numerous nieces and nephews. Cathi was predeceased by her husband Patrick O'Toole, her parents Marguerite and John Knipe and a brother Steven Knipe.

Cathi was born and raised in Shrewsbury. She graduated from Shrewsbury High School where she spent most of her time in the art room. She

later received a Certificate of Commercial Art from Dale Hale Fanning Trade School in Worcester in 1984. Cathi was as an incredible artist. For many years she painted signs and murals for local restaurants and in homes. Her creativity went beyond that of drawing. She loved decorating, creating food displays, painting, refinishing furniture to turn it into something beautiful and unique. She was a talented seamstress pulling out her sewing machine to create the most incredible Halloween costumes every year. She loved gardening and was a fabulous cook.

Cathi worked in the restaurant business for most of her life. She bartended at many local spots- The Other Place Pub, Angie's Pub, JJ O'Rourke's, Tweeds, The Black Orchid and Billy's Pub to name a few. She enjoyed working with the public. Her wit, humor and genuine interest in her patrons created an atmosphere reminiscent of the show Cheers. She was always smiling, always remembered your name and would make you laugh with her jokes.

Cathi loved to entertain friends and family at her home in Shrewsbury and on vacations weeks at Hampton Beach. She loved taking trips to Jamaica and Las Vegas. She enjoyed spending her days with her grandchildren as they were growing up. Cathi was a huge animal lover and cherished every one of her dogs. When her health began to decline and was no longer able to care for a dog she would make sure to feed everyone else's, always carrying treats for dogs in her neighborhood.

Cathi moved to Florida after her husband died and she lived out the rest of her life in the warmer weather. There she loved to ride around in her golf cart with her brother Bob, feed all the local dogs and squirrels and go shopping at the flea market for treasures on the weekends.

Cathi was one of a kind. She leaves behind so many laughs and good memories. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Worcester Animal Rescue League, 139 Holden Street, Worcester MA, 01606.



# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

An Open and Affirming Congregation
The minister is the Rev. Holly Millershank.
The musician is Curtis Smith.
The Soloist Monica Hatch.