



Joyce Stallbaumer

February 23, 1957 - April 24, 2018

Joyce Elaine Hug Stallbaumer, 61, Wakarusa, Kansas, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at her home, surrounded by her loved ones.

Joyce grew up on the Hug family farm of Scranton, Kansas, the daughter of Robert and Ruth Livingston Hug. Joyce attended Carbondale Grade School and graduated from Santa Fe Trail High School in 1975. She ran track in high school where she was a state qualifier and held the record in the mile for many years. Joyce attended Emporia State University earning her degree in elementary special education. While at ESU, Joyce was a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority, where she met many of her life-long “click sisters”. Joyce was also instrumental in starting the Early Childhood Development Center there.

On September 26, 1981, Joyce and James E. Stallbaumer were united in marriage at the Hug family farm, enjoying more than 36 years together.

Joyce taught special education at Avondale East Grade School for two years before starting their family and their business, Emporia Freight and Delivery Services, of which she was a co-owner and vice-president.

Joyce was a devoted member of Mater Dei Parish where she taught religious education and was the Baptismal Preparation Coordinator for many years at

Holy Name Church. Joyce was very involved with her children's education, serving on the PTO and as a room mother. Joyce was also her children's #1 supporter in all their activities including drag racing, supporting Jim, the seven children and the grandchildren.

Joyce was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) in 2012. Joyce's strong faith never allowed the disease to define her. That faith and the loving support of her family, who became her caregivers as she had cared for them, fed her indomitable spirit.

Joyce loved completely and was dearly loved. She was a "mother" to many and a friend to all.

Joyce is survived by her husband, Jim; children, Lindsay (Josh) Whitmore, Auburn, Talena (Charles) Lehosit, Plano TX, Micala (Tyler) Wudarczyk, Wakarusa, Landon Stallbaumer, of the home, Jordan (Lesley) Stallbaumer, Basehor, Korbynn and Camryn Stallbaumer, also of the home; grandchildren, Trena, Cade and Hadley Whitmore, Amelia and James Lehosit, Andie, Emma and Blake Wudarczyk, Harvey and Ellery Stallbaumer; her mother, Ruth Hug, Scranton; sister, Kathy (Max) Wentworth, League City TX; brothers, Bob (Tisha) Hug, Carbondale and Ed (Gretta) Hug, Scranton; and uncle, Dean Livingston, Topeka; as well as many other family and friends.

Family will greet friends from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday at Mater Dei Holy Name Church, where a rosary will be prayed at 7:30 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Church where a rosary will be prayed one half hour prior to Mass.

Burial will follow in Shawnee Center Cemetery, Wakarusa KS.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Mater Dei Parish Hall or the ALS

Association–Midwest Chapter, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Cemetery Details

Shawnee Center Cemetery

Wakarusa, KS 66546

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church
1114 SW 10th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Rosary

APR 27. 7:30 PM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church
1114 SW 10th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Rosary

APR 28. 9:30 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church
1114 SW 10th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Mass of Christian Burial

APR **28**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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1114 SW 10th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joyce Stallbaumer



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 26, 2018 at 06:56 PM



“ Joyce Stallbaumer

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Teresa Glorioso purchased the Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



Teresa Glorioso - May 04, 2018 at 12:34 PM

MR

“Joyce was so full of joy, strength and life. I always enjoyed being in her presence back in the day. It was so tragic for her of all people to be cut down by such a cruel disease. But wonderful how her family cared for her so lovingly and so long. What a long journey for them all.

She is healed in God's presence now, and someday we will join her there and she will be even greater than she was at her best. We can look forward to that.

Godspeed and bless Jim, the kids and grandkids, Ruth, Kathy, Bob and Ed and their families. May God's hope and healing sustain them in grace.

*Marc and Kathy Jo Rogers,
Fort Worth, TX.*

Marc Rogers - May 01, 2018 at 07:05 PM

GW

“Jim and Family, although we were unable to attend the services for Joyce we were with you in our thoughts and prayers. May the wonderful memories you hold in your hearts carry you through this difficult time.

Ronda and Gary Winkler

Gary Winkler - April 29, 2018 at 04:34 PM

JH

“Jim and family, so sorry for your loss! You have our deepest sympathy!

Roger and Jolene Holthaus

jolene holthaus - April 28, 2018 at 11:04 AM

MS

“ My heart aches with sadness at the loss of this wonderful, sweet, loving woman. She was family from the day I met her. I'm sorry that I was unable to attend the services.

Our sympathies to Jim and family. Joyce will be truly missed but her sweet memory will remain with all of us that knew and loved her.

With sympathy and prayers,

Marlene and Pete Sisson

Marlene Sisson - April 28, 2018 at 10:31 AM

EB

“ Mrs. Stallbaumer was truly the kind of person that made you want to live a better life. From the very first time we were blessed to be introduced to the family, it was such a warm welcome. Jim, Joyce, and the kids were the BEST part of going to the Topeka national event each and every year. They still are. We had the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Stallbaumer a few weeks ago as she and some of the family were passing through making their rounds seeing family in Texas. Our late father always had so much respect for the Stallbaumers and the family they are. We hope that our contribution in memory of your sweet mother, wife, grandmother, great grandmother will in be just another building block in the treatment and cure of ALS. WE LOVE YOU MRS. STALLBAUMER! You are still with us in our hearts and we see you in the smile of each of your family members. You have a made a life that has touched us all in such a positive and loving way. Mrs. Stallbaumer to the front!!!

Love,

The Emmons Bros.

Emmons Bros. - April 28, 2018 at 09:32 AM

TP

“ Remembering the fun and laughter from Joyce from ESU and later. Prayers to the family as we remember her great spirit.

Tom Philips - April 27, 2018 at 07:49 PM

BB

“ Jim and family, you have our thoughts and prayers. I had some classes with her a hundred years ago at ESU and enjoyed the years of softball together.

Bruce and Sheila Burenheide

Bruce Burenheide - April 27, 2018 at 07:17 PM

WK

“ WICHITA KENWORTH purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



WICHITA KENWORTH - April 27, 2018 at 03:52 PM

YS

“ Your friends at GCR Tires and Service purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



Your friends at GCR Tires and Service - April 27, 2018 at 11:48 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 27, 2018 at 11:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 27, 2018 at 10:08 AM



“ *What a trooper. Thoughts and prayers to the family.*

Peg Bardsley - April 27, 2018 at 06:26 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 26, 2018 at 10:28 PM

SR

“ Dear Jim and family,
We want to send you our prayers and love during this very difficult time. We will remember Joyce as a very joyful, loving person who cared for her family and all those she came into contact. We will not be able to be there with you but know that our prayers and love will be there.
Sr. Pia and Sr. Michael Marie.

Sr. Pia Rottinghaus - April 26, 2018 at 08:08 PM

SK

To the Hugs and Stallbaumers,
Terry and I send our love and prayers to all of you. We will miss Joyce terribly; but we know that she is reunited with loved ones, yet watching over us all. Peace be with you all. 🕯

Susan Kerr - April 26, 2018 at 10:33 PM

 Bev
Sievers
Harrison

Dave and I are so sorry to hear of Joyce's passing. Her wonderful smile reflected her beautiful, sweet soul. Heaven now has a marvelous angel and she is whole once again.
Dave and Beverly Harrison

Bev Sievers Harrison - April 27, 2018 at 10:19 AM

JH

Dear Jim and family,
I worked with Joyce at Avondale. I was her para. We became friends than and have been ever since. My heart goes out to all of you. May God be with all of you.
Judy Howe.

Judy Howe - April 27, 2018 at 01:59 PM

MC

Jim and family, so sorry for your loss. I met Joyce a couple times, she was a very sweet lady. Prayer and many blessings to all. Martha Caffrey (Monica's Aunt)

Martha Caffrey - April 27, 2018 at 02:02 PM

MM

*Dear Jim & Family,
Joyce was such a kind and loving person. There was nothing she wouldn't do to try and help you out, whether it was business needs or just as a friend. I've never met a better family than the Stallbaumers - such an honest and hard working bunch, and Joyce was the heart and soul along with Jim. She was forever positive, encouraging, and someone who cared very deeply for her family. I'm sure she has built up many treasures in heaven which she will now enjoy. Mike & Diana Martin*

michael martin - April 27, 2018 at 02:57 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 26, 2018 at 05:14 PM

JD

“ *Jerry and Marie Buckallew & EAC Drivers purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



Jerry and Marie Buckallew & EAC Drivers - April 26, 2018 at 04:26 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 26, 2018 at 02:20 PM

TF

“ *The Wayne & Penny Stallbaumer Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



The Wayne & Penny Stallbaumer Family - April 26, 2018 at 12:47 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 26, 2018 at 10:04 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.*



April 26, 2018 at 09:50 AM

JR

“Joyce was there for me when my Dad passed away. She brought me a huge Yellow flower and told me this is how much joy I brought to my Dad and how much Joy my dad brought to others. It absolutely made the darkest time of my life a little bit better. Joyce and I still communicated all these years even though she had so many Obstacles....Obstacles that could not keep her down. She is a TRUE INSPIRATION and her family an Inspiration of love and support. Till we meet again good friend!
You are amazing!

Jenna Riggin - April 26, 2018 at 09:48 AM

BM

“Jim and Family.
My thoughts and prayers are with you. I always enjoyed seeing you two at the bank talking to Tom. May Joyce rest in peace.

Barb Montgomery - April 26, 2018 at 09:22 AM



“Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



April 26, 2018 at 09:19 AM



“Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



April 26, 2018 at 09:06 AM

FK

“ From Lauren Thomas Kays & Keeper Kays purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



From Lauren Thomas Kays & Keeper Kays - April 26, 2018 at 08:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



April 26, 2018 at 08:40 AM

DS

“ Darwin & Barb Shriver purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Joyce Stallbaumer.



Darwin & Barb Shriver - April 25, 2018 at 11:25 PM

HH

“ To Joyce's family: My son Zach Haney was blessed to have Joyce as his CCD teacher at Holy Name. Joyce was one of the kindest people I have ever met. She truly loved the kiddos that she taught. Joyce followed my son Zach through the years and would send encouraging letters and cards to him. I always thought how wonderful it was that she didn't just teach these kids, but she genuinely cared for them. What a Godly woman. I am so sorry for your loss, but I have no doubt that she is feeling no pain, and is basking in the sight of our Lord and Savior. What a special angel the Lord received in Joyce. I am also impressed with what a special family the Stallbaumer's are, you all took such good care of Joyce over the past 6 years, that had to mean so much to her. God Bless each of you. I will pray for comfort for each of you, and thank you for sharing Joyce with the community, what a treasure she was.

Sincerely,
Heidi Haney

Heidi Haney - April 25, 2018 at 10:53 PM