



Laurel King

July 7, 1950 - August 17, 2024

Laurel Corinne King, 74, Topeka, Kansas, passed away on Saturday, August 17, 2024, surrounded by her family.

Laurel was born July 7, 1950, in Concordia, Kansas, the daughter of Raymond and Merridy Bailey King. She graduated from Concordia High School. Laurel earned a bachelor's degree in music education from Wichita State University, her first master's degree in music performance (flute) from Kansas State University and her second master's degree in school counseling from Emporia State University. Laurel was a lifelong learner, never passing up an opportunity to learn something new. She started her career in the St. Marys Schools as the band teacher and retired from Royal Valley Middle School after over 30 years as a school counselor. She was a former Moose member and current member of the Kansas NEA. Laurel volunteered at the Stormont Vail Heart Center. She was an avid reader and loved her coffee. Laurel built a porch onto her home so she would have a special place to enjoy coffee and read.

Laurel loved being Grammie to her "amazing red-headed grandchild," Sawyer. He was everything to her and she spent every day this summer making long-lasting memories with him.

Laurel is survived by her daughters, Erin Robinson (Keith) and Jessica

Brunken (Mathew Mullen); grandson, Sawyer Robinson; significant other of 24 years, Greg Hughes; brother, Galen King (Irene); cousins, Brian Vazquez (Teresa Klaumann) and Sheldon Vazquez (Beth); and best friend, Vickie Wold. She was preceded in death by her parents, and aunts, Burney Mendelhall (Elborn) and Eleanor Watson (Don).

Visitation will be 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, August 22, 2024, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Funeral service will be 7 p.m. Friday, August 23, 2024, at the funeral home. Graveside service will be 1 p.m. Saturday, August 24, 2024, in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Concordia, Kansas.

Memorial contributions may be made to Stormont Vail Heart Center and sent in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

444 w 18th St.
Concordia, KS 66901

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Funeral Service

AUG **23**. 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
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Graveside Service

AUG **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Laurel King*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - August 23, 2024 at 05:04 PM

CF

“ *Cathy Loyd Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Laurel King.*



Cathy Loyd Family - August 22, 2024 at 11:15 AM

ER

“ *My beautiful mother. I love you more than all the stars in the sky. You were the best mom and Grammie we could have ever asked for. Thank you for the amazing life you created for us. We learned how to love and care from you. We learned what family means and how to be there for each other from you. Even though a piece of my heart is missing without you, you will continue to live on in our memories. You are part of our history that we will continue to pass on. You will never be forgotten.* ”



Erin Robinson - August 20, 2024 at 10:28 PM

MD

“ *Beautiful lady! I imagine she touched the hearts of many young people during her years as a school counselor.* ”

Maggie Durino - August 20, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Laurel King.* ”



August 19, 2024 at 08:13 PM

JB

“ I will miss my mother being there for all of life’s major events.



Jessica Brunken - August 19, 2024 at 07:13 PM

AA

Thank you for your service at the Heart Center. Your caring spirit will be missed. Celebration in heaven, weeping on earth. Rest well.

Anita Abbott - August 19, 2024 at 10:54 PM

JN

I was honored to be a good friend of Laurel’s. Especially during our time with her at Women of The Moose activities. We loved Laurel. Despite her many physical problems we never heard her complain & she always had a beautiful smile for everyone. I can remember when Greg gave her the beautiful diamond ring. She will be greatly missed by her family & many friends. The last time I saw her was when she was going into to Heart Center to volunteer & I got a big hug from her. Bless her beautiful soul.

Joyce Neiswender - August 22, 2024 at 02:34 PM

WF

“ Wayland and Brandy Farris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Laurel King.

Wayland and Brandy Farris - August 19, 2024 at 05:54 PM

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“ Wayland and Brandy Farris purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Laurel King.



Wayland and Brandy Farris - August 19, 2024 at 05:54 PM

CC

“ Cody and Molly Claassen purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Laurel King.



Cody and Molly Claassen - August 19, 2024 at 05:10 PM