



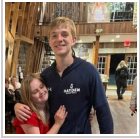
## Margaret "Peggy" Lemon

July 4, 1947 - August 31, 2007

Margaret Anne "Peggy" Lemon, 60, Topeka, passed away Sat., Aug. 25, 2007 at St. Mary's Hospital Mayo Clinic in Rochester MN from complications following a double lung transplant in Feb. 2007. Peggy was born July 4, 1947 in Topeka, the daughter of William and Frances Eileen (Gannon) Love. She graduated from Hayden High in 1965. On April 22, 1967, Peggy and Thomas Lemon were married at Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Topeka. They celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary this year and Tom was by her side and cared for her throughout her illness. After their three children were born, Peggy stayed home to raise them. When they were all in school, she went back to school herself and earned a degree at Barton Co. Community College as a registered nurse. She worked several years at St. Francis Hospital and then as the Director of Nursing at Woodland Health Center for 15 years before retiring for health reasons in 2002. She battled an autoimmune disease, scleroderma, for the last several years that eventually led to her need for a lung transplant. During retirement, she was able to do some volunteer work for Meals on Wheels and the Marian Clinic. She was a member of Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church in Topeka. Throughout her illness, Peggy always showed courage and strength and a strong will to live. She was a nurturing and giving person who put the needs of others before her own and had an incredible faith in the Lord. She loved life and her family. Her greatest joy was her grandchildren, who called her "Nana". She often sang to them, cooked for them and taught them prayers and countless nursery rhymes. She

loved spending time with them and was very involved in their lives. She will be deeply missed by all her family and friends. She leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Tom Lemon, Topeka; son Tom Lemon and wife, Karen, Topeka; daughter Mary Hanson and husband, Lonnie, Hoyt; daughter Angela Smith and husband, Richard, Topeka; grandchildren, Ava and Maggie Lemon, Clare, Kate and Caroline Hanson, Zach, Alaina and Olivia Smith; siblings, Bill Love and Tim Smith of Texas, Jean, Elizabeth, and Thomas Smith all of Topeka, and Mike Smith of Wichita; and her mother-in-law, Frances Doyle, Topeka. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Kevin Love. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Fri. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS 66614. Family will greet friends from 6 to 7 p.m. and a parish prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Sat. at Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic Church in Topeka. Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to The Gift of Life Transplant House or Mother Teresa Catholic Church, sent in care of the funeral home.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Maggie Lemon lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Peggy" Lemon*



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**Maggie Lemon** - March 08, 2025 at 07:46 AM



“ *I remembered A one thing that Me And Nana used to do and we would Always loved to cook and bake Together And I also remembered when we had lunch together and she would always make me Mac and cheese with hotdogs on top and then she would give me cottage cheese and A lemonade capri sun to go with it I love you And I miss you Always 🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹*

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**Maggie Lemon** - March 08, 2025 at 07:45 AM



“ *Margaret "Peggy" Lemon*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Angela and family, We are thinking of you and your family during these sad times. Your mom was such wonderful women and I feel blessed to have known her.*

*Kelly and Mark Belletto*

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**Mark and Kelly Belletto** - August 30, 2007 at 10:27 PM

KR

“ Tom & Family, So sorry to hear about Peggy. I worked under peggy she was a very special person her door was always open to me when ever I needed someone to talk to. Getting this transplant was very important to her she told me several times that if she didnt do It she would never live to see her grandkids grow up she worked very hard to lose all the weight she had to lose we kept in touch after she left & then In February I wrote to tell her about my own loss & had no reply, I know I'ts a big loss to all especially the grandkids she loved so dearly But sometimes the good lord has his own plans & now she Is at peace. This letter from heaven was sent to me after my loss, I found that reading it twice a day made life easier. Peggy will allways be in my heart & thoughts, May God bless you all.  
Kathy.

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**Kathy Roach** - August 30, 2007 at 08:40 PM

DC

“ Angela, I am sorry to hear of you mothers passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

*Diane Cook*

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**Diane Cook** - August 30, 2007 at 07:52 PM

CJ

“ Dear Tom and Family, I am so saddened to read of your loss. I did not know your Mom, but I do know the kind of fine man she and your Dad raised. Having lost our parents, Beth and I know the pain. We found that faith, friends, and time are the only things that helped us. You have been my attorney, and my friend for a long time. Please accept our most sincere sympathy. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Charlie & Beth

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**Charles L. Bloss, Jr.** - August 29, 2007 at 09:28 PM

DK

“ Dear Tom, Karen, Mary, Lonnie and all of your family~ I am sorry to hear of your mother's passing..It sounds like she had a great life with her husband and 3 children and grandchildren! I know the three of you and you are wonderful, happy, caring adults so your mother and father did a wonderful job! Think of her always and keep her memories close to your heart! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Take care.

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**Denise (Gooden) Koch** - August 29, 2007 at 07:44 PM

GB

“ Dear Uncle Tom, Mary Jean, Tom, Angie and all of the family,  
  
Words cannot express how sorry we are for your loss. Aunt Peggy will always be remembered for the lovely, kind and giving person she was. She will be very sadly missed.

Our Love to you All,

Mary, Gary, Sonya, Ryan, Alysa, Krista, Madelyn and Andrew.

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**Gary & Mary Bjorklund** - August 29, 2007 at 07:30 PM

KA

“ Tom,  
I was saddened to read of your mother's passing. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.  
Kelly Jennings Atherton

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**Kelly Jennings Atherton** - August 29, 2007 at 07:21 PM

JB

“ Tom, Mary, Tom, Angela & family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. I feel so privileged to have considered Peggy my friend. I have so many good memories of times we shared together that I will always treasure. My thoughts & prayers are with all of you. Jana

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**Jana Borgmeyer** - August 29, 2007 at 07:01 PM

GA

“ Tom and Family: Sorry to read of Peggy's passing. Haven't seen you in years, but I am comforted that you had 40 great years and a family together. My Wife, Mary and my prayers are with you in these difficult times.

Gary Adkins

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**Gary Adkins** - August 29, 2007 at 04:25 PM

LL

“ Dear Tom and Family.....We were so sorry to hear of Peggy's passing....She's been through quite an ordeal and we kept track of what was happening through Lorna and Ken and Phyllis.....I'm so glad she had such loving support in you, her family...

Your cousin, Lynn

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**Lynn (Perry) Luft** - August 29, 2007 at 03:45 PM

CT

“ Tom,

*We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. We hope knowing the hearts and minds of your friends are with you can help during this time. God Bless.*

*Marc, Bob and Candace*

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**Candace Thomas** - August 29, 2007 at 10:15 AM

TL

“ *Dear Tom and families:*

*We were so sorry to hear of Peggy's passing. Please accept our heartfelt sympathies. Peggy was a wonderful lady and will be greatly missed.*

*Our thoughts are with you.*

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**Todd and Michele Love** - August 29, 2007 at 08:02 AM

DK

“ *Dear Tom, Mary, Angela, Tom and your families: Please accept my sincerest sympathies. Peggy was one of the nicest people I have ever known and I have many sweet memories of her to keep. Memories can comfort and I hope that yours will help you through this diffucult time. Dee*

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**Dee Klausman** - August 28, 2007 at 10:33 AM