



## Mary "Corky" Kinsch

June 15, 1945 - April 10, 2022

Mary Martha "Corky" Kinsch, 76, Topeka, Kansas, passed away peacefully, Sunday, April 10, 2022.

Corky was born June 15, 1945, in Topeka to Edward and Dorothy Jones Gartner. She was a 1963 graduate of Hayden Catholic High School. On June 22, 1963, Corky and R.D. Kinsch, Jr. were united in marriage enjoying 58 years of marital bliss.

She worked for USD 501 at McCarter and Gage Elementary Schools in food service and then as a para-professional and school secretary, truly caring for the children. Later, she enjoyed working at Steinmart.

She was an avid golfer, frequently playing with R.D. and also loved playing in the 18 Hole Women's Golf League at Western Hills. R.D. and Corky enjoyed spending their time going to Arizona to golf and time with their son R.D. III and his family.

Corky loved her family and they always came first. She was gentle, loving, caring and humble. Corky was always first to greet you with her infectious smile. She will be greatly missed.

Grateful to have shared her life are her husband, R.D.; their children, Suzy

Wempe (Bill), R.D. III (Rosalind); grandchildren, Chris Woods, Heather Ward, Jade and Jett Kinsch and Makenzie Wempe; great granddaughters, Cecily Woods, Matilda Woods and Ryann Ward; her siblings, Kathy Robben, Jim Gartner, Julie Lister, Ellie Brooke; and cousins, nieces and nephews.

Corky was preceded in death by her parents, and sisters, Margaret Ann Reeb, Pat Marcy and Teresa Taul.

Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, with rosary being prayed at 5 p.m. Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated 11 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 2022, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 5973 SW 25th Street, Topeka KS 66614.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Civitan Golf Tournament or the Mac Golf Tournament (which benefits Midland Care Hospice) and sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Previous Events

## Rosary

APR **20**. 5:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

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Topeka, KS 66614  
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## Mass of Resurrection

APR **21**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Christ the King Catholic Church  
5973 SW 25th St  
Topeka, KS 66614-1973  
(785) 273-0710

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary "Corky" Kinsch*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 18, 2022 at 07:33 PM



“ *Mary "Corky" Kinsch*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I recently became aware of your loss. Wishing you and your family the best during this difficult time.*

*Dennis Friedl*

Dennis Friedl - April 30, 2022 at 04:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary "Corky" Kinsch.*



April 20, 2022 at 10:43 AM

DW

“ *Dennis and Marlene Waetzig purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary "Corky" Kinsch.*



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**Dennis and Marlene Waetzig** - April 19, 2022 at 09:12 AM

LC

“ *My memories of Corky and RD are ancient, and as fresh as yesterday. Such welcoming people, kind, and fun to be around. My sympathies to the family and friends. Corky was very special, and will be sorely missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her. Sincerely, Lorrie Clark*

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**Lorrie Clark** - April 19, 2022 at 08:25 AM

RS

“ *RD and Family, so sorry for your loss, prayers to all! All our love Rich and Ann Schiefelbein*

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**Richard Schiefelbein** - April 18, 2022 at 11:15 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary "Corky" Kinsch.*



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April 17, 2022 at 07:53 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary "Corky" Kinsch.*



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April 16, 2022 at 09:16 AM



“ *R.D and Family - Pam called and let me know about Corky. It was devastating news and I send you, Susie and Deeks my deepest sympathies, and I know the memories she created for family and friends will go on forever.*

*Corky was one of those dear souls you could reconnect with as if no time had passed, and I always loved catching up with you both when we could all make it to Kingfisher.*

*I love that you are surrounded by your Topeka family and hope the service will be a celebration of her loving and generous spirit.*

*With love, Nancy Parham.*

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**Nancy Parham** - April 15, 2022 at 09:44 PM

PT

“ *First ~ RD & entire family ~ Please know that my heart is heavy knowing of the loss each of you is experiencing.  
Corky & I met and became fast friends in kindergarten. For those first few years into grade school, at Holy Name, we would spend weekends having overnights at each other's home, often.  
I was always so in awe that her parents and entire family welcomed me without hesitation. It was always so easy for her mom & dad, as well as her siblings, to just add me in. I was seeing large family life at its best. This still remains one of my cherished memories.  
Corky was such a great reflection of the love I felt while in their home.*

*Pat (Grennan) Thomas*

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**Pat (Grennan) Thomas** - April 14, 2022 at 07:28 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary "Corky" Kinsch.*



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April 14, 2022 at 12:49 PM

JS

“Corky was our sister. So very memories to share of her over her life time. One of the favorite memory I remember when all of us sisters made a road trip to visit our sister Kathy living in the St. Louis area. The minute us four sisters left Topeka until we returned from our trip it was non stop visiting with each other. Our dad sent each one some gambling money we could spend at the casino. We talked every minute of every day except for sleep. Years later we made the road trip with our brother Jim Mike. Margaret Ann didn't make it with us. We still visited with each other once we got in the car. Our brother knows us very well and he joined in the conversation and let us girls go. Corky my loving sister, I will never stop loving and will miss you until we are all joined together again. Love, Julie.

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**Julie who sister** - April 14, 2022 at 11:05 AM

MP

“RD and family: So sorry for your loss. Corky was wonderful lady - full of life, grace, and happiness. Her bright smile and warmth could light up any gathering. May the Lord continue to bless and comfort you all during this difficult time.

*Mike Pendergast*

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**Mike Pendergast** - April 13, 2022 at 12:12 PM

SA

“R.D. Thinking of u and remembering all the good times with Corky and u eating dinners together and sitting out in front of your garage having drinks, talking and laughing.

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**Sharon Aldrine** - April 13, 2022 at 11:34 AM

KS

“ Sid and I send out our prayers to R. D. and family. We will miss seeing Corky riding by in the golf cart on Sunday mornings at Western Hills. She was the sweetest person I know. Sid and Karen Sheppard

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**Karen Sheppard** - April 12, 2022 at 11:15 PM

JN

“ Sharon and I are so sad to hear of the death of Corky. She was a beautiful lady and a wonderful person. May God bless her and the family.

*Jim and Sharon Nelson*

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**Jim and Sharon Nelson** - April 12, 2022 at 09:41 PM

BS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers and sympathy to all.

*Barb Shipman*

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**Barb Shipman** - April 12, 2022 at 12:58 PM