



Kathy Kridler

October 25, 1940 - July 3, 2025

Kathy Kridler, age 84 of Grand Junction, passed away Thursday, July 3, 2025, at Bronson Hospital after a brief illness. Kathy was born October 25, 1940 in Bloomingdale, the daughter of Kitty and Chum Cooley and lived the majority of her life in the Bloomingdale, Grand Junction area. She was a Girl Scout and 4-H leader. She loved antiques and owned her own antique store for many years. She had a passion for animals, raising champion show goats and many other “critters” as she referred to them.

On December 6, 1958 she married Buzz Kridler and together they had two children, Candy (Tom) Rigney, of Grand Junction, Rick (Sue) Kridler of Allegan, four grandchildren Kyle (Katie) Kridler, Kayla (Chris Bober) Kridler, Tucker (Ashley) Rigney, Trevor (Emily) Rigney, and six great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sisters, Maureen Foune, Sharon Pearson, Sally Steers and Nancy Kraatz.

According to her wishes cremation has taken place and the family will have a private service at a later time. Arrangements entrusted to the Bloomingdale Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Cremation

Tribute Wall



“ Lynn Ashbrook lit a candle in memory of Kathy Kridler



Lynn Ashbrook - July 13, 2025 at 10:38 PM

NS

“ Nancy Stone lit a candle in memory of Kathy Kridler



Nancy Stone - July 12, 2025 at 05:22 PM

NS

“ Prayers for the family 🙏 May you find peace and comfort in the Arms of Our Lord
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Nancy Stone - July 12, 2025 at 05:19 PM

KK

“ Traditional Thanksgiving dinner as a kid at Aunt Kathys & Uncle Buzz's was the best, she had everything. I always loved visiting the big old house on great bear lake, reading the Dr Seuss books on the landing of the big staircase, exploring the grounds and camping on the beach. Really where some great memories. Kip Kridler

Kip Kridler - July 09, 2025 at 10:02 AM

DH

“ Sympathy to her family -- don't have contact information to reach family but Bruce and I dropped off a hanging planter to Kathys home. We are hoping a family member will be stopping off soon to pick it up. Dee Herschleb

Dee Herschleb - July 08, 2025 at 07:14 PM

DT

“ Diane Wilson Tripp lit a candle in memory of Kathy Kridler



Diane Wilson Tripp - July 07, 2025 at 05:07 PM

SS

“ Susan Page Smith lit a candle in memory of Kathy Kridler



Susan page Smith - July 07, 2025 at 02:17 PM

DH

“ Deana Hostetler lit a candle in memory of Kathy Kridler



Deana Hostetler - July 05, 2025 at 06:15 PM

DH

“ I am going to miss you my many many years friend, but I am going to selfishly say I am going to miss our phone calls with all the serious and funny conversations. I now don't have anyone to give my foam containers to, I know you like to send things home with your grandson(fish) in them to keep them cold. Our lives have been so intertwined since I was a kid, as Buzz's dad was my Grandmas cousin. I am going to miss you terribly my ole friend, so glad you are back with the love of your life, now your aunt will leave him alone(lol). Rest in peace Kath, and I Love you and I laugh and know what you are saying back,haha.All my love and prayers to Candy and Rick, and all your families..

Deana Hostetler - July 05, 2025 at 06:15 PM

PB

“ My memories of Kathy began when I was 10 and she was 8. We moved into the tenant house on my Grandparents farm. Kathy’s home was on one corner of my Grandparents home. Actually our connection began much earlier than when her Dad, Chum, helped my Mom and Dad elope. She was one of five girls. After the first time I walked to her house for a visit I told my parents that they had odd names; Renny, Shanny, Happy (Kathy), Sally and Nanny. All nicknames given to them by their Dad. We picked blueberries together by Grand Junction. The first day my blueberry count was low since I had eaten so many. Kathy loaned me some of hers so I wouldn’t look so lazy. We didn’t get to go to school together very long. Just my sixth grade at Berlamont. Kathy and her family moved to Grand Junction for a while and I finished school in Bangor. We still managed to keep in touch off and on. Including a memorable trip to Lake Michigan in Buzz’s car while he was still in service. She sent me anonymous cards from various locations in Michigan. It might have even been a Christmas card in the middle of the summer. They were cards she got from places where she had bought an estate. My girls referred to her as the “goat lady”. We visited her every year when she was in charge of the goat barn at the Allegan fair. When my Dad died she brought a boiled pot roast dinner to my home. She was surprised that more people weren’t there. She got to my home before my Dad’s body which was sent back to Michigan from Florida. In more recent years we kept in touch by phone. Not many can claim a friendship of over seventy years.

She will be greatly missed and still loved!

Pat (Campbell) Brewer

Pat (Campbell) Brewer - July 05, 2025 at 10:43 AM

DH

“ She was a special friend to everyone in the area. I know I considered her a special friend for many years. We have kept in touch over the years and go back to high school. After I retired, I worked for her at Country Classics and could not have asked for a better boss or friend. I will miss her as will many others.

Dolores Nelson Herschleb - July 05, 2025 at 10:16 AM