



Kathleen Ann Holzapfel

August 8, 1968 - August 2, 2025

Kathleen Ann Holzapfel, 56, passed away on August 2, 2025, in her home surrounded by family. She was born August 8, 1968, in St. Albans, New York to Carl and Linda Machutta. She married her high school sweetheart Gerard Holzapfel Sr. in New York on April 28, 1991.

Kathleen, known as “Kat” lived in New York until 2005 when she and her family relocated to St. George, Utah. Kat was a dedicated wife and homemaker and enjoyed assisting with the family business as a homebuilder and interior designer. Kat loved the outdoors and enjoyed time with family and friends camping, riding in the side-by-side, traveling, and spending weekends at their cabin. Kat’s zest for life was felt by all she came in contact with and her energy was as big as her heart. Kat’s love and dedication to her family was revered by all who knew her and will forever be her legacy.

Kat is survived by her spouse Gerard Holzapfel Sr., her two sons Gerard Holzapfel Jr. and John Holzapfel of Washington, Utah, her honorary daughters Chloe Wimmer and Kelsey Melvin of Washington, Utah, her brother Carl Jr. and sister-in-law Allison Machutta of Downington, Pennsylvania, her sister Christine Ryan of Florida, her mother-in-law Joan Holzapfel of St. George, Utah, and her sister-in-law Jill Arcuri of Tucson, Arizona. Kat was preceded in death by her mother Linda Machutta and her father-in-law William “Bill” Holzapfel.

The family would like to thank the many friends who have supported and encouraged Kat through this process, Hospice for their exemplary care and support, and Dr. Brian Tudor and Dr. Zachary Reese for their guidance and support. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made in Kat's honor to the Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance (OCRA) at [Donate here](#). The family plans to host a celebration of life at a later time.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at www.SerenityStG.com. Arrangements and memorial tree planting under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, (435) 986-9100.

Tribute Wall

LG

“ *My sweet beautiful niece so filled with love. I never knew anyone who fought harder to live. A lovely soul who passed far too early. Jesus will keep her in HIS care for eternity for the fabulous mother, wife, and person she was.*

Lois Greene - February 10 at 09:02 PM

SU

“ *Gerry the employees at All Purpose Windows and Doors send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Memories live forever and help in the healing process.*

Sharon Umbenhower - August 12, 2025 at 11:49 AM



“ *A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathleen Ann Holzapfel.*

August 12, 2025 at 11:42 AM

LK

“ Gerry and family,
We are so deeply saddened to hear of Kat's passing. She was such a beautiful woman inside and out! We'll always remember her spunky, no-nonsense, rocker personality and the heart of gold she carried underneath it all. She would do absolutely anything for her family, and her love for her friends ran deep. Holding all who loved her close in our thoughts and prayers. Honored to have known such a bright light. She will be missed.

With love,
Deric and Lori Kinsey

Lori Kinsey - August 11, 2025 at 07:47 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of
Kathleen Ann Holzapfel.



August 11, 2025 at 03:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathleen Ann Holzapfel.

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AG

“ Kathy was a beautiful positive light. Gerry and family, we are so deeply sorry for your loss. We got to know Kathy over the years as one of our best customers. We made her smoothie with love and care because we loved her sweetness and kindness towards our staff. From all of us, at The Orange Peel, we are so sorry for your loss. She made us want to come to work every week. To chat with her was a treat. Over the years, I don't know if we had a customer be more caring, kind, and loving. Prayers for all your family. Kathy we will blend a “Kathy Almond Protein” in your honor. We love you.

Annett Graf - August 09, 2025 at 12:22 PM

AI

“ Gerry, my deepest sympathy. Kathy was such a wonderful woman. She was full of life and deep courage. I will always remember how she bravely and gracefully battled cancer. I don't believe I ever saw a time when she wasn't smiling even while suffering from difficult treatment side effects. She will never be forgotten. I will miss her. Sincerely,
Aimee Gubler

Aimee - August 06, 2025 at 11:42 PM

GD

“ I am shocked to learn of Kat's death, especially at such a young age. I remember her and her family well when they first moved to the St. George area. I was particularly impressed with their "pioneering spirit" exchanging their home state of New York for a land so different from what they knew. They were enthusiastic about their move. I was inspired by their positivity and courage. The entire family worked hard to forge a life here and were/are very successful. I am sad that Kat's life was cut short. She had so much more to do and people to influence. God bless her and her family at this trying time.

Paul Doxey, MD

George Paul Doxey - August 06, 2025 at 05:57 PM

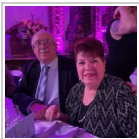
DC

“ Your courage and strength were nothing short of inspiring. You fought with grace and determination, and I believe the angels in heaven are embracing you with the peace and love you so deeply deserve.

Rest well, my beautiful friend. Love, Deb



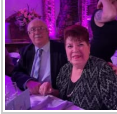
Deb Carlile - August 06, 2025 at 03:43 PM



“ Linda Brust sent a virtual gift in memory of Kathleen Ann Holzapfel



Linda Brust - August 05, 2025 at 01:04 PM



Our hearts are broken by the loss of our niece Kathleen A CHRISTMAS ornament she made for us many many years ago and has always had a place on our tree will have new meaning You will always be in our hearts as will Gerry, Gerard and Johnny She was an inspiration to so many Rest in peace Kat Love You Uncle Steve and Aunt Linda

Linda Brust - August 05, 2025 at 01:11 PM