



Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs

July 12, 1963 - May 17, 2021

Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs, 57, of Falmouth, KY, passed away on Monday, May 17, 2021, at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Ft. Thomas, KY. Born on July 12, 1963, she was a daughter of Mary Lee Gillespie and the late Norman Gillespie. A 1982 graduate of Pendleton High School, Kaye worked as a teacher's aid at Northern Elementary, where she impacted the lives of multiple teachers and students through her various roles. Kaye was the friendly face greeting every student as they arrived at school each day.

On January 31, 1987, she married James Wade Scaggs, and her best friend and soulmate of 24 years preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 2011. At the center of their lives were their two daughters Stefanie and Sara. Whatever the occasion, the biggest of celebrations or the most challenging of obstacles, Kaye was in the forefront, as a faithful companion on the journey, offering her homemade blend of limitless hope and hilarious antics to her girls, her extended family, her friends, and her students, always finding some way to keep them smiling. A passionate supporter of the Pendleton County Relay for Life, Kaye and her family have always worked tirelessly to support this organization and all it does for patients and their families. Kaye was a lifelong member of St. Francis Xavier Church, where she was active in all kinds of church activities. At the heart of so many school and community events, Kaye brought so much life and fun to everything she did; she will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Kaye is survived by her two daughters: Stefanie Scaggs and Sara Scaggs

(Adam Roseberry), all of Falmouth, KY; her mother, Mary Lee Gillespie of Falmouth, KY; her siblings: Bonnie Windham (Reggie), Genie Gillespie (Sharon), Joyce Brown (Jim), Tony Gillespie (April), and Tammy Gillespie; and a host of extended family and friends.

In addition to her father Norman, she was also preceded in death by two sisters: Patricia "Patty" Courtney and Penny Gillespie King; her mother and father-in-law, James C. "Jay" and Patricia Bea "Pat" Myers Scaggs; her nephew Drew Downard; her uncle by marriage Jerry D. Myers; and her grandparents by marriage Raymond and Gertrude Mitchell Myers.

Funeral services will be held at 2 pm on Friday, May 21, 2021, at the Pendleton High School Gymnasium in Falmouth. The visitations will be from 4-9 pm on Thursday, May 20, 2021, and from 12-2 pm on Friday, preceding her service at the high school. Memorials are suggested to the Pendleton County Relay for Life, the Landen Joseph Spence Foundation, or for masses in memory of Kaye at St. Francis Xavier Church. Interment will take place in the St. Francis Xavier Cemetery, Falmouth. Woodhead Funeral Home, Falmouth, is caring for the family.

Cemetery Details

St. Francis Xavier Cemetery, Falmouth, KY

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **20**. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Pendleton High School
Falmouth, KY 41040

Visitation

MAY **21**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Pendleton High School
Falmouth, KY 41040

Funeral Service

MAY **21**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Pendleton High School Gymnasium
2359 Highway US 27
Falmouth, KY 41040

Tribute Wall

GM

“ *Georgetta (Georgie Cooper) McMullen lit a candle in memory of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs*



Georgetta (Georgie Cooper) McMullen - May 22, 2021 at 02:46 PM

JE

“ *If light was a person it would be you, Kaye. Always happy, always laughing, so bright, and funny. You will be greatly missed but I know there were big arms waiting for you in Heaven.*

Jessie - May 20, 2021 at 06:54 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 20, 2021 at 02:13 PM

MC

“ *In a world where people often forget the importance of family, friends and love, Kaye never forgot it. She lived her life exemplifying these very traits. Her smile, laughter, caring and common sense approach was an example for many. To her girls, family and friends, my hope is that her memories will be cherished, her influence will be remembered, and through the tears will shine the thankfulness of having had her in our lives. Rest easy Kaye, you made your mark in this world and will be missed by many.*

MaryKay Crawford - May 20, 2021 at 12:01 PM

LD

“ *Love, Scott and Jeunet Davenport purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



Love, Scott and Jeunet Davenport - May 20, 2021 at 11:45 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 20, 2021 at 10:38 AM

DB

“ *Rest easy sweet KK. You will be dearly missed by so many. Prayers for comfort and peace for the family.*

Debbie Barker Barrett - May 20, 2021 at 09:21 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 20, 2021 at 08:12 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 20, 2021 at 08:04 AM



“ *Love this girl. She let me use her Motorola phone at the softball fields. She had one of the first phones unlimited on the weekends. It'll Do days. I never went there but she talked about it. She knew people, her family, her community - her people. She was the best supporter and fan. Thank you Kaye. Your life was cut short but you lived and lived big.*

Nancy Wood - May 19, 2021 at 10:30 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 19, 2021 at 08:05 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 19, 2021 at 07:19 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Melvin Workman - May 19, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 19, 2021 at 04:01 PM



“ *Our Sincere Sympathy, The River Trading Company purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



Our Sincere Sympathy, The River Trading Company - May 19, 2021 at 03:30 PM

RH

“ Rodney and Gena (Myers) Hill purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.



Rodney and Gena (Myers) Hill - May 19, 2021 at 01:49 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.



May 19, 2021 at 12:39 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.



May 19, 2021 at 10:04 AM

CE

“ *Thoughts and prayers with the Gillespie Family.*

Kelly and Betty Coleman

COLEMAN ELIZABETH - May 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.



May 19, 2021 at 07:47 AM



“ Kaye. You lived and loved... simple, yet sooooo impactful. Thank you, love you. You touched many!!!

Nancy Wood - May 18, 2021 at 11:58 PM



“ I went to school with Kaye and also worked with her at Northern. I've had several conversations with Kaye over the years, and it was always about love. She would talk about Wade, her girls, her mom, her sisters, her nieces and nephews, Katie Peluso, other kids at school. Kaye cared for others and she cared deeply. We should all love like that. Praying for the family

Nila Harris - May 18, 2021 at 11:10 PM



“ KK you were not just like my sister but also my friend. You will be missed dearly by all! Rest In Peace KK you and Wade are united again .Our memories will stay in my heart forever! Love Shar-Shar



Sharon Gillespie - May 18, 2021 at 09:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 18, 2021 at 08:48 PM



“ *"On Angel's Wings" Sympathy Gift Wind Chime to Send for Funeral Or Memorial was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 18, 2021 at 08:39 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mary Kaye Gillespie Scaggs.*



May 18, 2021 at 08:33 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers to her two beautiful daughters and extended family . She made a difference in and for many . My God carry you at this time .*
Jean Ann and Mark Powell



jewn ann - May 18, 2021 at 08:32 PM

VW

“ Thoughts and prayers to Mary ,Stefanie, Sara and all the family and friends She will be missed by many When I worked with Kaye we took our smoke breaks together She was always happy and was wonderful with all the children She had a way with the special children . RIP peace as you reunite with Wade.



Vicki MYE Walsh - May 18, 2021 at 07:57 PM