



Brenda Kay Gaidmore

March 26, 1947 - June 9, 2020

Brenda Kay (Davis) Gaidmore, 73, a resident of Milford, NH and Lakeland, FL, devoted wife and loving mother, died on June 9, 2020 in Lakeland after a short bout of cancer.

She was born in Owensboro, KY on March 26, 1947, the youngest daughter of Pascal and Nan (Heisler) Davis. She graduated from Owensboro High School in 1965 and attended Kentucky Wesleyan College in Owensboro, KY where she met her husband of 52 years, Jerry Gaidmore.

On October 14, 1967, she married Jerry Gaidmore while he was serving in the military at Fort Stewart, GA. After living in Hinesville, GA and the birth of their first child, Kelly, they made Milford, NH their home for the next 51 years. She was primarily a homemaker, keeping an immaculate home and enjoying taking care of her husband and children. For many years, she served as an EMT for the Milford Volunteer Ambulance Service and worked at the Milford Fire Barn. Over the last sixteen years, she split her time between Milford and Lakeland.

She was an avid reader and a frequent patron of the Wadleigh Memorial Library, and passed on her love of reading and books to her children. She loved sports, especially college basketball and March Madness, and enjoyed watching the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots. Her favorite part of playing golf was eating out afterwards, although she did get a hole in one before her husband.

Her parents predeceased her. In addition to her husband, surviving family

members include her daughter, partner, and granddaughter, Kelly Gaidmore and Quinn Bagola of Owensboro, KY, and Bradlee Valandra of Lexington, KY, her son, daughter-in-law, and grandson, Jay, Amy and Max Gaidmore of Toano, VA, a sister and brother-in-law Jim and Janet (Davis) Dillard of Owensboro, KY, and uncles, aunts, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services are private. Interment will be in Owensboro, KY. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please go to www.gentry-morrison.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Brenda Kay Gaidmore*

November 17, 2022 at 10:14 AM

SS

“ Just wanted you to know that I have thought about you and wished you well on many many days. I’m so sorry that you have been grieving your loss of Kay during such a difficult time with many more burdens to be concerned with. I hope you and your family members are staying well.

Because it was I who wrote to you each Christmas and read Kay’s hand-written letters to us I am mourning her loss in my own way too. On many days I have thought about our lives in Georgia at Ft. Stewart, just starting out as newlyweds such a long time ago. As a child I thought everybody’s family was the same as ours, and as a teenager I thought everybody’s town was similar to our town where I grew up. Getting married and moving to Georgia began a different education of another kind. I know there are many things I do not remember, but when I look at the many pictures we do have I am reminded that we did learn a lot; living in such a different culture, (the army, and the southern east coast). I remember watching some of the first astronauts launching from what was then called Cape Canaveral, not so far from where we were. And I remember when Dennis was geared up to be airlifted to Chicago with troops from Ft. Stewart during the Presidential convention when there was so much rioting in Chicago. Of course, We were all lucky to be in Georgia instead of Viet Nam.

It pleases me to remember the time we came to New Hampshire and we saw your town, and we spent the night with you. Now, 20 years later as I have watched this election, I have much more understanding of how different each state’s process is. And I smile when I hear about a candidate making another visit to New Hampshire.

I am so glad we were able to continue to see you a few times in Florida, as well, when we visited my Mom and you were there too. We all still golfed and had children and other family members to be concerned with and we had no trouble in being together and sharing our concerns and having fun. You two and another couple that we connected with when Dennis was in OCS go back the farthest in our lives as married couples.

I have put off writing to you Jerry, because I didn’t know what to say.

*But I knew I needed to let you know that there are two people you know 3,000 miles away that have been thinking about you both. I don't even know if you are in Fla or New Hampshire either. But..... May God Bless you and your Family,
Sandy & Dennis*

P.S. I tried sending this to the email address I used to use for you, but it came back. I hope you, Jerry, or another member of your family will help us be able to communicate again. Sandy

Sandra Szidak - November 16, 2020 at 04:08 PM

SW

“ *I was heartbroken to hear of Kay's passing. First thing that comes to my mind is what a kindhearted, loving person she was. I met Kay and Gerry for business but found myself spending hours of time at their home. Leaving their home with a smile I always felt how refreshing it was to spend time with the two of them. I feel very fortunate to have gotten to know them both as many of us do not come across kinder, fun loving people that touch our lives like they did. My heart ❤️ goes out to you Gerry, and family.
Shari Wales*

shari wales - July 13, 2020 at 10:59 AM

CH

“ *I've known Kay since childhoodshe was such a fine person....gone too soon. I had the pleasure of visiting with her & Jerry at her Mom's 100th Birthday celebration a couple of years ago. I run into her sister Janet and she told me her sudden diagnosis and death. So very sad.....Sonny and I knew Jerry at KWC too. We send our deepest condolences to the family as they struggle with their loss. Treasure your wonderful memories and may your faith sustain you and yours. Christy and Sonny Hall*

Christy Hall - June 30, 2020 at 01:20 PM

BR

“ love and condolences, brooke

brooke - June 21, 2020 at 11:30 AM

RF

“ Saddened to hear of Brenda's passing. Remember her so well coming to The Souhegan National Bank to say hello to her mother -in-law Septima as she was passing by. Septima loved her daughter in law and always has a kind word for her. Always enjoyed having a few words with her. We will be praying for the whole family
Dick Fisk



Richard P. Fisk - June 20, 2020 at 11:50 AM

PF

“ We are all devastated by this sudden lost! As a family member and friend, Kay always put family first and how proud she was of her children and grandchildren, Her laugh was loud and infectious! For the years she was in our lives and for the years she won't, we will always carry her in our hearts and support Jerry and his family.
love, pat, marc, jeremy

pat fontaine - June 15, 2020 at 12:40 PM

PC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I remember when Kay and Jerry brought Bradlee to my house for a swim. So proud of her! Sending all my love. ❤️🙏

Pamela Ciardelli - June 13, 2020 at 05:51 PM

CJ

“ I have such fond memories of our friendship back in the day, we'd spend long afternoons by the pool. You were a classy lady. My condolences to Jerry and the family.

Charlotte R Janowiec - June 13, 2020 at 04:43 PM

VD

“ The thing I will always remember most about Aunt Kay was the incredibly warm and loving hugs I always received from her. I will miss her dearly.

Valerie Dillard - June 13, 2020 at 02:58 PM

BS

“ I will always remember Kay as a wonderful, caring person, with an outstanding smile always. She was an avid reader, extremely well read, and would be first in line to get a new novel. All of us have fond memories of Kay and it is those memories that will form forever the focal point upon which we will find the strength so that she will live in our hearts always. Condolences to her family, God bless her.
Barry Sprague

Barry Sprague - June 13, 2020 at 01:05 PM

JW

“ After 9 holes of golf we would get together for dinner, 8 of us to start. Always a fun time and we will miss this very much. Kay was kind enough to take us in for a while when we visited Florida in the winter. Although she had stopped playing golf she always kept me company in the golf cart and provided us with snacks and water and never laughed at my shots. That is the definition of a true friend.

Miss you Kay. Our sympathy and thoughts are with Jerry and family.

Joyce and Brant Wilson

Joyce Wilson - June 13, 2020 at 09:42 AM

MC

“ Our group gathered in the fall, as ever, for our last dine out before Kay and Jerry left to winter in Florida...never imagining it would be our last time to see and hug Kay. Kay was pretty, stylish, a good cook, funny, loved felines, a good friend. Memories of New Years Eves, golf, Vermont, sitting on the porch on Prospect St. To Jerry, Jay, Kelly and families, we are so sorry for you loss, way too soon. We will all miss Kay forever. Love and sympathy from Mev and Gary.

Marilyn Ciardelli - June 13, 2020 at 07:10 AM

PS

“ Sending love and prayers to Kay's family. We grew up together ust a few houses apart. We shared many wonderful childhood memories together. PAM (Hawthorne) Simon.

pa (Hawthorne) Simon - June 13, 2020 at 01:30 AM

TW

“ I have fond memories of Kay from the times our families were church friends. My sympathies and prayers for consolation to her family.

Tom Wilcox - June 12, 2020 at 11:56 PM

VG

“ Vincent Guytan lit a candle in memory of Brenda Kay Gaidmore



Vincent Guytan - June 12, 2020 at 05:51 PM

NW

“ Janet, It was with great sadness I read of Kay's passing. She was a wonderful friend during our days at OHS. Remembering the many days , conversations , and times with her and your family brings the sweetest memories. The trip to Denton, Texas with you , your mom , and Kaye is one I still recall with great pleasure. She will always hold a special place in heart.

Nicole(Nikkie) Woodward - June 12, 2020 at 09:47 AM

AN

“ It saddens us to read of Kay's passing. We all went to Walnut Street church together.
She was a young girl. We were blessed by the Davis family.
Jerry and family, we will be praying for you during this difficult time.
Love, Wanda and Andy Anderson

Anderson - June 12, 2020 at 08:22 AM

BB

“ Last September I accompanied Jerry, Kay, and Jay to Jeremy Fontaine's wedding on Cape Cod - and we had such a great time! I truly enjoyed the time spent with Kay and it's a memory I will keep forever.

Bette Anne Brandon



Bette Anne Brandon - June 11, 2020 at 11:08 AM

SA

“ Kay was a cheerful friendly patron of our library for so many years. I am so sorry to hear of her death. We will miss her. Susan Amann

Sussn Amann - June 11, 2020 at 09:11 AM

SH

“ I remember Kay and her family from attending Walnut Street Baptist Church in Owensboro, KY. The Brown family and the Davis family were very good friends. I always remember the smile on Kay's face and how much she enjoyed life. I will be praying for you all during this difficult time.

Shelia Brown Heflin

Shelia Brown Heflin - June 10, 2020 at 11:06 PM