



Kathryn Helen Trigg

July 22, 1970 - February 2, 2026

Kathryn Helen Trigg, 55, of East Berne, passed away unexpectedly at home on Monday, February 2, 2026, following a brief illness.

She was born in Ballston Spa on July 22, 1970, the daughter of John and Betty (Armer) Trigg. Kathryn was a graduate of Galway High School. She later attended SUNY Potsdam and ultimately made East Berne her home.

Kathryn was employed by the New York State Department of Education as a licensure clerk. She also put her genuine personality to good use while working at Ketchums Store in Altamont, where she enjoyed the camaraderie of the local community. For the past several years, she worked at Hannaford in Voorheesville, where she formed many dear friendships.

Affectionately known as “Fred” since childhood, Kathryn carried that nickname with pride. As a young girl, her best friend was her pet cow named “Hot Dog.” She had many interests, including reading novels, singing, and participating in choral groups as a young woman. Her favorite bands were Queen and Violent Femmes. Thirty-five years ago, she became, in every sense, “the world’s best mom,” a role she embraced wholeheartedly until the very end—always putting her children first. Protective and strong, she led with love.

Kathryn is survived by her mother, Betty (Armer) Trigg; her life companion, Willie M. Van Hoesen; her children, Zachery Van Hoesen and his partner Jenna St. Louis, Christy Van Hoesen and her partner Bryce Skolnick, Dylan Van Hoesen and his partner Alexis Duncan, and Jerry Van Hoesen; her grandchildren, Julianna and Layla, and their mother, Aimee. She is also

survived by her siblings: Dawn and Dennis Funk, Brian and Sue Bishop, Melody and Michael Washington, John "Pat" Trigg, Eric Trigg, and Pennie and Karl Caton. She was predeceased by her siblings Jerry Bishop and Shawn Trigg. Kathryn also leaves behind several nieces, nephews, cousins, and countless friends whom she treated like family.

Please join us for the Celebration of Life honoring Kathryn H. Trigg, taking place on Saturday, February 21, 2026, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Altamont VFW Post, 11 Mill Street, Altamont, NY 12009. We invite all who knew Kathy to come and share their favorite stories and memories of her.

Burial will take place at Galway Village Cemetery in Galway and will be announced in the spring.

Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown, NY 12095.

UPDATE:

A graveside service will be held for Kathryn on Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 11 a.m. at Galway Village Cemetery, Galway.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **21**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Altamont VFW Post
11 Mill Street
Altamont, NY 12009

Graveside Service

JUN **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Galway Village Cemetery
County Highway 147
Galway, NY 12074

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *Christy Mae lit a candle in memory of Kathryn Helen Trigg*



Christy Mae - June 20 at 04:10 PM

YV

“ *Your Daughter, Christy VanHoesen sent a virtual gift in memory of Kathryn Helen Trigg*



Your Daughter, Christy VanHoesen - May 30 at 01:31 AM

CV

“ *Christy VanHoesen lit a candle in memory of Kathryn Helen Trigg*



Christy VanHoesen - May 30 at 01:30 AM

VF

“ *VanHoesen Family purchased the Heartfelt Tribute Lavender & White Floor Basket Arrangement for the family of Kathryn Helen Trigg.*



VanHoesen Family - February 18 at 12:36 PM

LK

“ *Love, Melody & Michael & Pennie & Karl purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Kathryn Helen Trigg.*



Love, Melody & Michael & Pennie & Karl - February 08 at
11:48 AM