



Kathleen Ann Heissinger-Hawkshaw

October 18, 1951 - January 5, 2026

Kathleen A. Heissinger-Hawkshaw of Birch Tree, Missouri, formerly of Rochester, Illinois, passed away January 5, 2026, at Salem Care Center, Salem, Missouri, at the age of seventy-four years.

Kathleen was born in Springfield, Illinois. She was the daughter of Alvin and Vanita Heissinger. She retired from University of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois. She loved to sew and make quilts.

Kathleen is survived by her husband: Don Hawkshaw; daughter: Stephanie Feaster; stepson: Bill (Shanno) Hawkshaw; sister: Joanne Barbee; as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents: Alvin and Vanita Heissinger; and a sister: Linda Huelskoetter.

There are no services planned at this time. Arrangements are under the direction and care of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Leave the family a condolence or share a memory on her tribute page at www.wilsonmortuary.com

Tribute Wall

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“ I worked with Kathy in the financial aid office at uis. She was always a delight. An easy smile the way of putting you at ease when things got tough or tense. A wonderful cook at potlucks, and she made me the both beautiful quilt when I retired. She even made it special for me because it was a patchwork and she didn't like to do those. Think of her often. I'm so sorry for your loss

Mary Beth Maloney - January 12 at 08:38 PM

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“ Sending deepest condolences to Kathy's family and friends! Haven't seen or talked to her for a long time. Just remember that she was a very nice person! RIP 🙏

Rob Heissinger - January 08 at 06:54 PM