



## Rita Kay McDonald

July 21, 1952 - June 30, 2018

Rita Kay McDonald was born July 21, 1952 in Salem, Missouri to Marvin and Goldia (Young) Koogler and passed away June 30, 2018 in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of sixty-five years.

On May 27, 1972, Rita Kay Koogler was united in marriage to Keith McDonald and to this union three children were born. Rita was a lifelong member of Grace Community Church. She loved the Lord, church, and her birds. Her grandkids were among her greatest blessings and joys.

Preceding her in death were her parents; and brother, Jerry Koogler.

Survivors include her husband, Keith McDonald, Salem; children, Christy Leathers and husband, Jeff, Salem; Nathan McDonald and wife, Amy, Webb City; Gavin McDonald and wife, Kylie, Rolla; brother, Gerald Koogler and wife, Jeanette, Licking; sister, Beverly Flanery and husband, Terry, Salem; grandchildren, Natalie Castro and husband, Gabriel; Landon McDonald, Noah Leathers, Neely Leathers, Jacob McDonald, Ayla McDonald, Easton McDonald, and Kinley McDonald; extended family and friends.

Rita will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Funeral service for Rita Kay McDonald was held Friday, July 06, 2018 at the

Grace Community Church with Pastor Shannon Lambert officiating. Special memories were shared by Nathan McDonald. Special music was provided by Christy Leathers, Gavin McDonald, Natalie Castro, Noah Leathers, Neely Leathers and the GCC Praise Team. Serving as pallbearers were Mike Smith, Mark Tune, Willie White, Shea Wood, Loren Wood and Frank Brooks. Honorary pallbearers were Lisa Smith, Sherry Tune, Nicole White, Sally Wood, Kathy Wood and Melissa Brooks. Interment was in the Cedar Grove Cemetery under the direction of Wilson Mortuary, Salem.

# Tribute Wall

RL

“ Rita was always such a kind pleasant person. She always had a smile, even when going through her physical illness. She is now completely healed and rejoicing with the Lord. I know this is a difficult time for the family, but know that you all will be in our thoughts and Prayers. Ron and Beth Light

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**Ron and Beth Light** - August 31, 2018 at 09:37 AM

RD

“ Im so sorry to hear of Rita's passing. I knew her when she was a little girl and remember her as such a sweet person. My prayers are for her family and friends.

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**Rita Carroll Deckard** - August 31, 2018 at 09:35 AM

JS

“ RIP beautiful lady!  
Keith, my sympathy and many thoughts and prayers for you and your family.

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**Jan Shaw** - August 31, 2018 at 09:35 AM

JL

“ Keith and family, So sorry to hear of Rita,s passing. She was such a sweet person. Loved her humor and enjoyed the years we work together at Kraft/Craig.

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**Jackie Lunn** - August 31, 2018 at 09:34 AM

BN

“ Keith and kids, I'm so sorry to hear this. Rita was such a pretty person, inside and out. We'll be orating for all of you.

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**Brenda Nash** - August 31, 2018 at 09:34 AM

KL

“ Keith & your 3 children and all of your family, my heart is sad for your loss. I know that Rita is with the Lord and HE will take good care of her. May the Lord BLESS and keep and comfort each and everyone of you.

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**Karen Lewis** - August 31, 2018 at 09:34 AM

RB

“ Keith and Family, Your loss saddens me. I remember Rita very well from high school. Very pretty, soft spoken, and well liked by all. Life seems to be fairly predictable; we are born and then we die and all that happens in between the beginning and the end is what defines us as having been on this earth. Rita won't be forgotten soon. Allow yourselves to grieve for as long as it takes to feel unburdened and then embrace your 'new normal' for the rest of your lives while remembering Rita and all she was. I will be thinking of you and the days to come.

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**Rick Brooks** - August 31, 2018 at 09:34 AM