



Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy

July 5, 1955 - May 27, 2021

Catherine "Kat" was born in Lafayette, LA on July 5, 1955; the oldest of 4, she was a second mother to her siblings, helping raise them when their parents were at work. She disciplined them, led, them and guided them as if they were her own children. Family was an essential part of her life. She was the anchor and the glue of not only her immediate family but her entire family.

As a child she was extremely close with her grandmother, spending much time with her grandparents at their camp in Bayou Benoit. Even into adulthood she looked back on these cherished memories; often reflecting on them with her children.

She graduated from Comeaux High School in 1973. On June 14, 1975 she married her childhood schoolmate and future husband of 45 years, Steven Roddy. A lover of animals, after she and Steve married, they both assisted a local Veterinarian at his farm caring for his personal animals as well as helping in his clinic.

In July of 1975 she graduated from Spencer Business College. "Kat" spent the majority of her working career as Medical Office Manager at various local OBGYN practices in Medical Billing. She had strong knowledge of the medical field; assisting in her in laws and other family members billing questions when they arose. She always wanted to be a nurse and technically was one to all of us. Kat embodied all the qualifications of one but just lacked the actual degree. In her 50s she began going back to college for Nursing and was making straight A's something she was so incredibly proud of. Due to an illness that occurred with her husband Steve she had to step back putting college on the back burner.

After her career in Medical Billing she began to work from home working for a neighbor managing his companies books. In 2008 due to numerous medical issues she was forced to retire. In January 2019 in addition to her already preexisting medical conditions she was diagnosed with Lung Cancer. Just like the other obstacles she faced in her life she took this head on enduring chemotherapy, radiation, and immunotherapy treatments. Thru all the pain she continued to fight because her main concern was her family above herself.

This was the mantra of her entire life, whether it be for her family or friends.

The impact she made was extremely evident in the lives she touched.

An excellent cook, when asked what her recipes were in written form she like her mother Anna didn't have a written recipe it was simply "some of this, some of that". She was the only one who could replicate her mother in laws coveted Rum Cake and smothered green beans.

She was the queen of Mahjong. Kat also enjoyed playing Spider Solitaire, bingo scratch offs, and going to the casino. A lover of old black and white movies, and tv shows. She loved Andy Griffith and Columbo. Many Columbo episodes she could literally recite line by line.

She enjoyed fishing and crabbing. She enjoyed boiled crabs and to watch her clean them was truly an art; if any meat was left it was rare. She loved working outside in the flower beds. While she loved many flowers her favorites were magnolias and roses.

While she wasn't one to shop much she did find enjoyment in garage sales and flea markets. Kat loved to dance. Her and Steve could often be found dancing at weddings, family events, and when they would go out.

Kat held a strong faith in Jesus; raising her children with a Christian upbringing, ensuring they had a relationship with Him. Whether it be saying nightly prayers with her children, or reading her tattered bible, she was the spiritual leader of the family.

Her love for her family knew no bounds. She was a giver instead of a taker, putting others needs above her own, even despite pain. Her legacy of love, compassionate, strength, courage and endurance will not be forgotten.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held for Mrs. Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 in Martin & Castille's La Fleur de Lis Chapel in Lafayette, 600 E. Farrel Rd. Kat, as she was affectionately known, went home to be with Jesus at the age of 65 after a long and courageously fought battle facing many illnesses. She peacefully passed away, with family members at her side, on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at The Carpenter House-St. Joseph Hospice in Lafayette.

Interment will be in Lafayette Memorial Cemetery.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Martin & Castille's SOUTHSIDE location, 600 E. Farrel Rd. on Monday, May 31, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM and will continue on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 from 8:00 AM until time of service at 10:00 AM.

Left behind to cherish her memory are her beloved husband of 46 years, Steven J. Roddy; her daughter, Sarah Roddy Falcon and her husband Toby; her son, Beau S. Roddy and his wife Bryant; her grandsons, Tripp and Liam; her parents, Anna Blanchard Menard and Andrew Menard; her brother, Tim Menard; her sister, Cheryl Motty; her brother, Kenneth Menard and his wife Shelley; her sister-in-law, Sandra Poirot and her husband Johnny; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Kat was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blanchard; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Menard; her brother-in-law, John Motty; her mother and father-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Roddy Sr. and her brother-in-law, Daniel Roddy Jr. and his wife Patty.

Upholding the honor of pallbearers will be Beau Roddy, Liam Roddy, Tripp Haynes, Toby Falcon, Tim Menard, Kenneth Menard, Garrett Menard, Ryan Motty and John Poirot III.

Honorary Pallbearers will be her lifelong friends that never left her side, Debbie Lacombe, Joan Mouton and Pat Bicknell. Also Shavanda Polite, her home health care provider.

Memorial contributions can be made in Mrs. Catherine Roddy's name to Miles Perret Cancer Services by clicking the following link, <http://www.milesperret.org> or to Wounded Warrior Project by clicking this link, <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>

A heartfelt appreciation is extended by the Roddy family to the doctors and entire staff of The Carpenter House-St. Joseph Hospice for their care and compassion given to Catherine during her stay at The Carpenter House of Lafayette. Also a very special thanks to Kat's home health nurse and dear friend Shavanda Polite, as well as the staff at Stat Home Health for showing us the true meaning of compassion.

View the obituary and guestbook online at <http://www.mourning.com>

Martin & Castille-SOUTHSIDE-600 E. Farrel Rd., Lafayette, LA 70508, 337-984-2811

Cemetery

Lafayette Memorial Park Cemetery

2111 W Pinhook Rd
Lafayette, LA, 70508

Events

- MAY 31 Visitation 02:00PM - 08:00PM**

MAY 31
Martin & Castille Funeral Home - Southside
Location
600 East Farrel Rd., Lafayette, LA, US, 70508
- JUN 1 Visitation 08:00AM - 10:00AM**

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600 East Farrel Rd., Lafayette, LA, US, 70508
- JUN 1 Celebration of Life 10:00AM - 11:00AM**

JUN 1
Martin and Castille's La Fleur de Lis Chapel
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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Martin & Castille Funeral Home - May 29 at 05:34 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers for all! Enjoyed getting to know all you through Kat, while working with her! Her family was her world!

Donelle Duhon - May 31 at 02:53 PM



“ Steve so so sorry to hear about Cathy. I only wish we would have known. Don n I send our deepest sympathy. Cathy was a big part of Polly's life. N I will treasure the time I spent with her while Polly was still here. Now her n Polly will be watching over us.

Juliette Poirier - June 04 at 01:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



June 01 at 08:51 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



May 31 at 10:59 PM



“ Our condolences to the Roddy family. We enjoyed our years working together, and admired her devotion to her family. We know she will be missed by many.
With Kind Regards,
Anne and Wayne Daigle

Anne Daigle - May 31 at 11:33 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



May 31 at 09:33 AM



“ 22 files added to the album LifeTributes



Martin & Castille Funeral Home - May 30 at 12:24 PM



“ “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith” 2 Timothy 4:7

I Love you Momma



Sarah Roddy Falcon - May 29 at 08:12 PM



“ 184 files added to the album LifeTributes



Martin & Castille Funeral Home - May 29 at 05:27 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



May 29 at 08:48 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



May 28 at 08:00 PM



“ Ms. Kat has been like another mother to me. She is a very spirited and compassionate lady who will be missed very much! Love you!



Nicole Falcon - May 28 at 03:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



May 28 at 01:38 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



May 28 at 11:16 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Toby - May 27 at 11:27 PM



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Toby - May 27 at 11:24 PM



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Toby - May 27 at 11:16 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Catherine "Kat" Menard Roddy.



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