

OBITUARY

Katherine Anne (Boisjolie) Picard

BELCHERTOWN – Katherine Anne (Boisjolie) Picard of Belchertown, passed away unexpectedly with loved ones by her side on December 19, 2025. Kathy was born to Eugene and Rita Boisjolie in Holyoke, Massachusetts, on May 9, 1954. They welcomed a brother, Robert Boisjolie, and moved to Chicopee. She attended Chicopee Comp, where she proudly stood as the president of the home ec club. It was during those years, in 1969, that she met the love of her life, Kippy Picard. She would tell you, “From the moment I met him, I knew I would marry him”. On November 25, 1972, they were married with their best friends by their side. The army would bring them to Germany, and while Kip was in training, Kathy was living on a farm, helping with animals, making new friends, and collecting vinyl. Moving back to the States, they bought their first home in Granby. It was there that they started their family of five, Alissa, Jarod, and Kara. In 1985, the family moved to Shea Ave in Belchertown, where Kathy would “paint her masterpiece”. It was a masterpiece, a legacy of love, devotion, empathy, compassion, and kindness.

Kathy (Kath, Aunty Kath, Kat, Ma, Rammy, Darlin) made her home a place where everyone was welcome. She was the original Cool-Aid mom. Kathy loved immensely and wanted nothing more than to share that with others. She loved music, the feelings it evoked, and the connections it brought to her. She loved gardening and her houseplants. She loved feeding the birds, the squirrels, and any wildlife that crossed her path. She was proud to be a “cat lady” and taught her kids not kill bugs. She loved Christmas, ladies’ Christmas outings, the lights, the tree, and caroling with the Picard family. She loved Yahtzee and puzzles, trips to the casino an OOB with her bestie. She loved movies, soaps, and a good series. She loved Stephen King, Mary J, and scratch tickets. She loved giving big tips. She loved contributing when she could. She was creative. She sewed, quilted, knitted, and loved crocheting, especially for others. She was an incredible cook, but her specialty was baking. Pizza, potato salad, wedding cakes, Christmas cookies, gingerbread houses, whoopie pies, Yorkshire pudding, and lemon meringue pie were just a few of her specialties.

Most of all, Kathy loved her family. She was incredibly proud of her children and the families they created. Her grandchildren were the light of her life. They brought her the joy she had lost after the passing of Kip. Kathy knew the simplicity of just spending time together was truly the most valuable gift.

Her children, Alissa and Nate Breyare of Belchertown, Jarod and Kristen Picard of Easthampton, Kara and Justin Clark of Palmer, and grandchildren Calvin, Theo, Edie, Nolan, Willa, Jaxon, Kyler, and Vivian will carry on their mother/grandmother’s spirit. “Our love will not fade away.”

Kathy leaves behind several nieces and nephews, brother and sisters-in-laws, and extended family members she loved dearly.

Family and friends will be invited to gather in celebration of the life of Kathy at a later date.

If you feel inclined to do something kind, commit a random act of kindness in her name.



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nary arts programs. “Over the last few years, we have offered our free line cook training as separate day and evening programs to help students find the schedule that works best for them.” The program is designed for those already in the restaurant industry who want to upgrade their skills as well as unemployed or underemployed individuals interested in starting new careers.

“We usually have a mix of young people entering the job market for the first time and people who are re-entering the job market, looking for a second career,” Sheehan said. “The course is perfect for anybody who’s looking for a job and has a passion for food and the dining industry.”

All classes meet in person at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute at 164 Race St.

Participants will learn all the essential competencies they need to become successful line cooks: knife skills; how to prepare

stocks, soups, sauces, desserts, poultry, fish and meat; culinary math and measurements; moist and dry heat cooking methods; as well as workplace soft skills, such as building a resume and searching for jobs.

Offered as part of HCC’s Business & Workforce Development division, the line cook course is free to qualifying applicants.

For more information, or to fill out an inquiry form, please go to hcc.edu/line-cook.

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The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampshire Division
Docket No.
HS25P0824EA
Estate of:
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Date of Death: April 9, 2025
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