



## Kari A. Gantz

June 10, 1983 - August 30, 2024

Kari A. Gantz, 41, of Bainbridge, went home to be with her Lord and Savior after a courageous battle with cancer on Friday, August 30, 2024 at Hospice and Community Care, Mount Joy. Kari was the loving wife of Bradley R. Gantz of Bainbridge whom she celebrated almost 19 years of marriage, and mother to their two sons, Parker and Ethan. Born in Lancaster, she was the daughter of Michael F. Sr. and Deborah A. (Everett) Reilly of Mount Joy. Also surviving; her mother in law, LuAnn Gantz, wife of the late Michael of Rheems; her maternal grandmother, Patricia Everett, wife of the late Richard of Mount Joy; two brothers, Michael Reilly, husband of Amber of Mount Joy and Brian Reilly of Hanover, MD; and a brother in law, Michael, husband of Sarah Gantz. She also leaves behind two nieces, Alena and Ava, and three nephews, Josiah, Owen and Liam.

Kari was a graduate of Elizabethtown Area High School class of 2002. She most recently worked at General RV as a title clerk. Prior to that she held jobs at Hershey Medical Center, Masonic Villages and various Hair Stylist positions.

Kari's proudest roles were that of being a mother to Parker and Ethan and a wife to Brad. Everything she did was with them in mind. She was determined to make memories with Brad and their boys up to the very end. The legacy she has left them is full of those beautiful moments that they will carry with them forever.

Kari enjoyed crocheting, making gifts for people and hair styling. She also

loved all things outdoors; camping, four wheeling, bonfires, trips to the beach and especially spending time with her dogs. She was always up for an adventure with family and friends. Kari had a love for people. She made friends wherever she went. Her laugh was contagious and her sense of humor was unmatched. Her bright smile will forever be missed by everyone.

A funeral service honoring Kari's life will be held at Florin Church of the Brethren, 815 Bruce Avenue, Mount Joy, PA 17522 on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 11 AM. Family and friends will be received at the church on Friday, September 6, 2024 from 6 PM to 8 PM and again on Saturday before the service from 9:30 AM to 11 AM. Interment will follow at West Green Tree Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/karis-fight-against-cancer>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Florin Church of the Brethren  
815 Bruce Avenue  
Mount Joy, PA 17552

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SEP 7. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

EC

“ *My Condolences to You Brad and your Family, You and Your Family will be in my Prayers. Eric*



Eric J Casillas - September 12, 2024 at 01:09 AM

EG

“ *Brad I would like to send my sincere condoleces to you and your Family, Ervin*



Ervin B Gwynn - September 11, 2024 at 11:06 PM

CB

“ *Our sincerest condolences to the entire Gantz family. Love Christy, Samantha and Calder Burchett*

Christy Burchett - September 06, 2024 at 11:58 AM

JM

“ *When my family and I moved to Marietta, Kari was my neighbor. The day I moved in she was so nice and welcomed me n my family as if she knew us for years. We became great friends. Our kiddos played together and we had many cookouts, playing in the snow, just hanging out and having great times. When they moved into there home will went over to their new home as well. Kari was such a great, loving person who would do anything for anyone. You will be greatly missed my friend💔*

Jaime Miller - September 03, 2024 at 08:49 PM

SM

“ I met Kari when I worked at HMC. She was one of the brightest lights and it was always a better shift when working with this incredibly beautiful woman (inside and out). We've kept in touch sporadically and I knew she had cancer, something we both experienced. I can't believe she's gone because they say only the good die young, and Kari was most definitely one of the very best! I'll be crying myself to sleep tonight, even as I'm sure God needs her to help Him.



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**Susi Moffitt** - September 03, 2024 at 01:12 AM

MM

“ Kari was like a little sister to me that I never had. She and I had some great times. She was there to pick out my ring from the man I married. I could go on and on off memories . Love ya to the moon and back. 😊😊

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**Michelle McCabe** - September 02, 2024 at 11:24 AM

AV

“ Words cannot describe the amount of love that radiated from you. The amount of strength, compassion and kindness you poured out leaves a print engraved in my heart. I say I” wished I had met you sooner”, but God placed me in your life at the right time. I’m thankful to have gotten to know you and love you. Grateful for being able to bless you with having you as Elias God-mother. That huge smile on your face when you accepted that task gave me all the more reasoning to know how much you cared. I know you’ll be watching over him, Leyla and Neli. They will hold onto every memories they have of you as they hug their stuff animals you made them, as promised.

Now you’re in the arms of your father, what a feeling it must be. I’ll see you soon again sister.

Love,

Ashley & family ☐



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Ashley Vega - September 01, 2024 at 02:40 PM

KJ

“ I met Kari while her and Brad were camping for their anniversary in November of 2020. They were our campsite neighbors and we hit it off at the beginning of the weekend and promised to keep in touch and plan a future camping trip together. We held true to our promise and planned several more camping adventures together where we formed an incredible friendship. We became much more than camping buddies. We shared so many amazing memories together over the past four years. This past spring, we rented a vacation home together in Anna Maria Island, Florida and had the BEST time with our kids. It was one of the most memorable vacations and I will forever cherish it. I'm so blessed and honored to have crossed paths with Kari and I will never forget what an amazing woman she was. I'll see you again one day my beautiful friend.



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**Kristal Jewell** - September 01, 2024 at 02:34 PM