

Name: Kathleen Sue Hass Age: 72 Hometown: Bad Axe Funeral Date: February 18, 2023 Date of Birth: May 19, 1950 Date of Passing: January 24, 2023 Funeral Home: Kaufman Funeral Home

## **Funeral Information**

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2023, at 1 pm at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Kinde, with a zoom option for virtual attendance. Inperson visitation will be held at the church from 11 am until the time of service, with a meal to follow. Cremation at Sunset Valley in Bay City has taken place per her wishes, with inurnment in Verona Township Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be offered in the form of donations to a school library of choice. Condolences and requests for a zoom link to the service may be shared at www.kaufmanfuneralhome.com

## Family of the Deceased

Kate is survived by her husband, Gregory Hass of Bad Axe; her son Andrew (Catalina) Hass of Lizton, Indiana; her daughter, Barbara (Luke) Jacobus of Nashville, Indiana; one brother, David (Sue) Ransom of Newark, California; her sister, Helen Ransom of Livonia; four grandchildren: Isabella, Sophia & Nathaniel Hass, and Alayna Jacobus; and family friend who was like a daughter, Tonia Teffeteller of Bad Axe. She was preceded in death by one brother, Harry Ransom, and her parents.

## **Biography**

Kathleen Sue Hass, age 72, of Bad Axe, passed away surrounded by her family, on January 24, 2023, at McLaren Bay Region Hospital in Bay City after a valiant battle to overcome complications following surgery for a broken leg in early October. Born on May 19, 1950 in South Bend, Indiana, Kate was the daughter of James and Millicent (Sawyer) Ransom. She married her husband of over 49 years, Gregory Wayne Hass, on July 7, 1973, in Bad Axe. Steadfast in her faith in the salvation of Christ, she was baptized into Christ on May 11, 1958 at Brooks Memorial Methodist Church in Marshall and returned to baptism on January 29, 1971, at University Christian Church in East Lansing. She was later confirmed in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, serving in Christian education and as a choir director for many years. Kate earned a degree in music education from Michigan State University, specializing in the flute, and received her master's degree from Central Michigan University. She worked for Ubly Community Schools for over forty years where she taught music and English before finding her passion as the school librarian for the latter half of her career. Kate loved books and especially loved to excite children of all ages about reading, often succeeding where others had failed in finding books a student would love and turning reluctant readers into avid readers. Even after retirement, she volunteered to read in her grandkids' classrooms and donated books to classrooms to expand school libraries. She looked forward to lilacs in the springtime. She loved to read and also enjoyed classical music. She enjoyed playing Pokemon Go and spending time with her grandchildren whom she loved deeply.