



## Kathleen Pettigrew

February 21, 2025

It is with heavy hearts and profound sadness that we share the news of the unexpected passing of Kathleen Pettigrew (née O'Brien) on Friday, February 21, 2025. She was born in Aliquippa, PA to the late Ruth O'Brien and the late Jim O'Brien. She was a graduate of Center Area High School and Carlow University in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. She was employed by Duquesne Light Co in Pittsburgh, PA where she met her husband Mark Pettigrew of over 35 years of marriage. Mark and Kathy left Pennsylvania to move to New Jersey where Mark was employed by UPS. She is survived by her brother Kenneth O'Brien of Virginia Beach, VA and Terri McIlvain of Loveland, CO. She is also survived by 4 nieces and nephews and 5 great nieces. Kathy started out as a volunteer of Franciscan Community Development Center of Fairview where she rose to become president of their board member and taught ESI (English as a second language). We find solace in knowing that Kathy is now at peace, reunited with her beloved husband Mark and their dear companions, Tommy and Milo. Kathy's spirit will continue to inspire us all. She will be deeply missed and forever remembered for her warmth, generosity and the profound difference she made. We celebrate and mourn her loss. Family and friends are invited to a celebration of Kathy's life which will be held on Friday February 28, 2025 at Volk Leber Funeral Home, 268 Kinderkamack Rd., Oradell, NJ. In lieu of flowers, donations in Kathy's name can be made to the Franciscan Community Development Center of Fairview, PO Box 89, Cliffside Park, NJ 07010. For more information or to visit Kathy's tribute page, please

visit [www.volleber.com](http://www.volleber.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

FEB **28**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home  
268 Kinderkamack Road  
Oradell, NJ 07649  
info@volkleber.com  
<http://volkleberfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

EA

“ I knew both Kathy and Mark from working at Duquesne Light in Shippinport, PA . Kathy and I worked in the same department for several years. She had such a unique and upbeat personality, that it was always fun knowing her and working with her.

*My Deepest Sympathies to all who mourn her passing. I will always remember her fondly.*

*Eleanor Adams*

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**Eleanor L Adams** - February 28, 2025 at 12:48 PM

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*I knew Kathy because my sister Diane was good friends with her for many years. They knew each other from high school and she did seem to have an upbeat and resilient personality. I would see her occasionally thru the years and always enjoyed the time.*

*May her loved ones be blessed with God's comfort!*

*Cindi Hogue*

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**cindi hogue** - March 11, 2025 at 08:42 PM

JN

“ I worked with Kathy for a short time at Duquesne Light 35 years ago. I remember well, her smile, we shared many a laugh!

*I share your grief.*

*God Bless*

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**john nay** - February 27, 2025 at 09:16 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to the Entire Pettigrew family on the passing of Kathy. I worked with Mark and met Kathy after his passing. They were both such wonderful people. Smart and Kind. It was a joy to know them.*

*May your good memories of them comfort you now and always.*

*Please know that you are not alone in your mourning.*

*We share in your sorrow, the world has lost another angel.*

*Prayers for you all*

*Steven Shaw*

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**Steven shaw** - February 26, 2025 at 10:28 AM