



Francine K. Bahm

June 4, 1949 - November 26, 2023

Francine Kay Bahm, age 74, of Kearney, passed away Sunday, November 26, 2023 at the Good Samaritan Society Grand Island Village in Grand Island. Funeral mass will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, December 15, 2023 at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney with Father Art Faesser as celebrant to honor her life. Memorials are suggested to St. James Catholic Church or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, organizations that held significant meaning for her. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements. Their compassionate support during this difficult time is greatly appreciated.

Francine was born on June 4, 1949, in Mason City, Iowa, to the late Erwin Braner and Norma McKee. Francine was a beloved wife, mother, and stepmother. Francine had a caring and compassionate nature, always putting her loved ones first. She had a special bond with her husband and children, cherishing their time together. In her younger years, Francine developed a passion for golf, honing her skills under the guidance of her golf pro father. She went on to win several tournaments, showcasing her talent and dedication to the sport. After inheriting the Sun movie theatre from her father, Francine and her husband operated it in Holdrege, Nebraska for 21 years. They brought joy to the community through the power of cinema. Francine's talent extended beyond the silver screen, as she had a knack for baking, particularly pies. Her delectable creations earned her multiple ribbons and

prizes at the Buffalo County fair. Francine's educational journey included attending Holdrege Elementary and Holdrege High School. She furthered her studies at Kearney State College and Denver University. Throughout her life, she had a diverse career, working in advertising at NTV, serving as a technical service librarian at Kearney Public Library, and running her own bookkeeping business. For many years, Francine found solace and community at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney, Nebraska. It was a place where she could nurture her faith and connect with others who shared her beliefs. In her free time, Francine enjoyed indulging in her hobbies, which included golfing, watching movies, and baking. These activities brought her joy and allowed her to express her creativity.

Francine Kay Bahm will be deeply missed by her husband, John Bahm; daughter, Alicia Tallon; daughter, Sierra Bahm; stepdaughter, Cresta Dunn; stepson, John JW Bahm; stepsisters, Gayle Schumann and Barb Conner; and a host of other family members and friends. Her memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

DEC 15. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall

IM

“ Francine, you will be greatly missed, I miss visiting with you after church and listening to your stories and always seeing that smile on your face. May you Rip, prayers to all your family and friends 🙏🙏🙏



imogene murillo - December 13, 2023 at 11:42 AM

SM

“ I had the honor of knowing Francine from her and her families years owning the Holdrege Sun Theater. I was a little girl when her mom and dad ran it and the drive in. Then as I got older and Francine took over, I got to know her. She was such a kind soul. She kept our theater a family based theater, creating memories for many of us in Holdrege. I became a huge advocate for her after the ice storm happened. She was so amazing! After she sold the business, I became the manager of the theater for 12 years, and occasionally I would call her up just to chat and keep her up on the business and she would tell me many stories from the past. Thank you for sharing her with us. She will be missed... fly high with the angels, Francine...

Susan McConnell - December 08, 2023 at 06:46 PM

AN

“ Anonymous lit a candle in memory of Francine Bahm



Anonymous - December 08, 2023 at 05:33 PM

RR

“ I worked with Francine at the public library many years ago. She was a kind and compassionate woman. I'm so very sorry for your loss.

Rochelle Hunt Reeves - December 07, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Francine K. Bahm.



December 06, 2023 at 01:57 PM

RN

“ Rob Novotne planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francine K. Bahm.

Rob Novotne - December 06, 2023 at 01:57 PM

AA

“ One of my favorite memories of Francine is drinking hot chocolate after a day of playing in the snow. Please know you all our in my thoughts and prayers I.

Amy Albrecht - December 06, 2023 at 08:54 AM

JW

“ Francine was a very kind, wonderful person. I have many great memories of teaching CCD with Francine. She will be missed. Will keep her alive in my ❤️ heart! Judy Witte

Judy Witte - November 30, 2023 at 10:48 AM

LL

We were so sorry to hear of Francine's passing. She would call me to help with funeral masses, and she was always so sweet and caring. We will keep her family in our prayers.

Linda Liebig - December 03, 2023 at 11:56 AM

KK

Francine and her parents used to own The Sun Theater in Holdrege. She was a very hard worker and am sorry to hear of her passing. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Karen Kammann - December 04, 2023 at 10:07 PM