



## Kathleen Marie Thomas

February 16, 1962 - November 19, 2024

Kathleen Marie Ridgeway Thomas, age 62, of Glendive, passed away suddenly at the Billings Clinic Hospital on Tuesday, November 19th, with her husband Scott by her side. The world lost a little brightness for many of us at that time.

A graveside service for family members will take place at Dawson Memorial Cemetery at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 7th. A Celebration of Life will follow to be held at the V.F.W. in Glendive at 2:30 p.m.

Kathy was born on February 16, 1962, in San Diego, California, to Nancy Dexter and Thomas Ridgeway, the middle of three children. She moved to Glendive, Montana, in 1974 with her mother and siblings, attending Glendive Public Schools, and graduating from Dawson Community College in 1989. Kathy had three beautiful daughters, who were the light of her life, and married husband number three, Scott Thomas, June 29, 1991, and she kept this one.

Kathy had moved away a couple of times, living in San Diego, Alaska and Billings, but came back to live in Glendive each time, the last time in 1994, where she had resided since. She worked at several different locations – A1 Cleaners, Glendive Medical Center, Grandview - with the last one being the Manager at Maddhatters. She had not worked in many years due to health

issues. Kathy enjoyed cooking and baking, and she was exceptionally good at both. She even had a cookbook made with all her recipe favorites, something we are all so blessed to have now. She loved having scavenger hunts around town and having all her family together at her house for holidays and big dinners and making goodie trays for all her family and friends. Kathy had been a member of the Lower Yellowstone Chapter of ABATE of Montana for many years, serving as the Assistant Secretary for several of those years, and making the potato salad for the Hog Roast also for several of those years. She had a wild side to her in her younger years and made lots of good memories with all her family and friends. She also had a very loving side to her and if she loved you, you knew it.

Kathy was preceded in death by her father, Thomas Ridgeway, her mother, Nancy Dexter, her grandfather, Richard Bordwell, her sister, Jennifer Metcalf, and her grandson, Jamie Smelser. Survivors include her husband, Scott Thomas of Glendive; her daughters, Melissa Rosier of Glendive, and her children, Damien Rosier, Anthony (Kjersten) James and Deegan Lorenz; Angela Rosier of Glendive and her children Dezarae Gideon, Trystin Suter and Leyisa Suter; and Danielle (Richard) Holbrook of Sioux Fall, South Dakota, and their children Ethan Smelser, Zander Holbrook and Silas Holbrook; her great grandson, Austin Briggs; her brother, John Wesley Ridgeway of Billings; her grandmother, Elenor Bordwell of San Diego; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Cremation has taken place, and a Celebration of Life will be held in the Spring. Kathy, we love you to the moon and back. Memorials can be made for Kathy's headstone at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-kathys-family-with-final-expenses>

# Cemetery Details

## Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUN 7. 2:00 PM (MT)

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## Celebration of Life

JUN 7. 2:30 PM (MT)

Glendive VFW Post 1125  
218 South Merrill Ave.  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathleen Marie Thomas.

June 04, 2025 at 09:48 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kathleen Marie Thomas.



June 04, 2025 at 09:48 AM



“ I will always cherish the memories of working with you! It was such a fun time! RIP! You deserve it!  
Anita

Anita Spencer - May 31, 2025 at 02:04 PM



“ Denise Stoddart lit a candle in memory of Kathleen Marie Thomas



Denise Stoddart - May 31, 2025 at 12:01 AM

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**Sue Nentwig Schwindt** - January 26, 2025 at 02:40 PM

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“ We had a lot of great times partying( you Val and I)broke my heart to hear you passed away I'll cherish the memories we made. Love you rest in peace my friend 🥹🙏🙏💔

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**Sharon Lave** - January 25, 2025 at 09:55 PM