



## Kathy Sue (Mason) Dabney

May 5, 1960 - May 2, 2026

Kathy Sue (Mason) Dabney, age 65, of Bradenton, FL, passed away peacefully on May 2, 2026, after a courageous two-year battle with Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS).

Born on May 5, 1960, Kathy was the beloved daughter of Frank and Deloris Mason. She was a 1978 graduate of West Aurora High School and graduated from John & Lewis Beauty School before she dedicated 32 years of service to the United States Postal Service as a mail carrier and postal clerk before enjoying her retirement surrounded by family, friends, and the simple joys she loved most.

Kathy was a devoted wife, mother, sister, aunt, and friend whose kindness and warmth touched everyone who knew her. She shared 42 wonderful years of marriage with her loving husband, Michael Dabney of Bradenton, FL. She is also survived by her daughter, Emily (Phillip) Maxwell of Buckeye, AZ; her cherished fur baby, Zoey; her brother Rick (Pat) Mason of Montgomery, IL; her sister Linda (Michael) Chomiak of Aurora, IL; her sister Karen Carlson of Montgomery, IL; her sister Patricia Brooking of Oswego, IL; sister-in-law Mary (Harry) Melick of Yorkville, IL; sister-in-law Melissa (Bob) Kiliszewski of Oswego, IL; sister-in-law Becky Butler of Pierson, MI; along with many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, bonus children, and dear friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Deloris Mason; her brother, Allen Mason; her son, Scott Dabney; her in-laws, Walter and Bette Dabney; and her brother in-laws, Nick Carlson and Michael Brooking.

She was an avid member of the Aurora Junior Woman's Club, The Montgomery VFW, The Moose, and Bradenton American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

Kathy found happiness in life's quiet moments. She loved reading, traveling, spending time at the beach, collecting seashells along the shore. Above all, she treasured the time she spent with those she loved.

Kathy's strength, compassion, and love will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

A celebration of life service will be held on Sunday July 12, 2026, at the VFW in Montgomery, IL from 1:00pm-5:00pm. Memorial Donations can be made in her honor to Moffitt Cancer Center.

Arrangements made by Gendron Funeral Home.

# Upcoming Events

## **A Celebration of Life**

JUL 12. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Montgomery Memorial Post 7452 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars  
121 North River Street  
Montgomery, IL 60538

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Such a sweet, spunky lady. Loved working with her in Cedar Springs, MI Post Office. So sorry for your loss!*  
*Mary Thompson*

Mary Thompson - June 03 at 05:13 PM

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“ *I have so many great memories with Kathy... From working with her at the post office for over 15 years to outside activities... and oh what fun we would have. Her laugh was infectious... we were practically the same height so that's for sure why we saw eye to eye. 😂...I haven't seen you too much since we both retired but was lucky enough to chat with you a few times. We had the kind of friendship that we knew would always be there even though we lived far apart.. I will miss you my friend... May you rest in peace and I know Scotty was there and ready to greet you ❤️👉❤️👉🥺*

Patty Kiley - June 02 at 07:08 PM

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*They say red heads are not to be messed with with and I agree 👉 she always would have that spunk about her . I remember working with her for about 7 years at the Montgomery post office with a lot of good laughs and a lot of sad times too but all of us ran that post office like nobody's business at the for front counter . The customers were treated with kindness and respect and I will never forget u that day the one lady told u about freedom of speech ! You stood your ground and that's why i respected u from that day . Your daughter is such the sweetest and most kind person too. I will Pray for her protection and her to have peace that passes all understanding. And to learn to live in the moment! I will miss u my Friend ,*

Suzanne Crouse - June 06 at 10:04 PM