



Kelly Makeever Rapacki

September 24, 1960 - January 4, 2021

Kelly Makeever Rapacki, 60, of Rockford died on January 4, 2021. Born September 24, 1960 in Iowa City, IA; daughter of Lyn and Janet (George) Makeever MD. Graduate of West High School, class of 1978. Formerly employed as a bookkeeper at 4th Street Greenhouse and The Bill Doran Company. In her younger years, she played the violin. Kelly was very artistic, loved animals, crafts and gardening. Her greatest joy was being a mother, she loved homemaking and spending time with her son. Survived by her mother, Janet Makeever; son, Aaron (Michaela Ambrose) Rapacki; sister, Ranell Makeever; brother, Matthew (Amy Caruana) Makeever; and friend, Sharon Davis. Kelly's family is grateful to Linda Robinson and Kishla "Kiki" Jones for the loving care they provided as well as the staff at River Bluff Nursing Home and Mercyhealth Hospice. Preceded in death by her father. Cremation rites will be accorded. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services assisted the family. Share a message of condolence at www.graceFH.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Kelly was a smart, strong beautiful friend. My life is better because of knowing this special soul. To Aaron and Makeever family, my heartfelt condolences. Aaron, your mom loved you so much! Prayers for your family.

Caroline Juzenas (Slocum) - January 16, 2021 at 02:39 PM



“ Kelly was a wonderful friend. I admired her strength of spirit, sense of humor, and devotion to her son. Her eyes always sparkled when she talked about Aaron. I will miss her very much.

Our love and prayers for all her family and friends.

Sharon (and George) Davis

Sharon Davis - January 15, 2021 at 01:22 AM



“ Sharon Davis lit a candle in memory of Kelly Makeever Rapacki



Sharon Davis - January 15, 2021 at 01:14 AM



“ Our heartfelt condolences to Jan, Ranell, Matt, Aaron and family. I will always remember her big day at the Renaissance Fair, Halloween party at the old house on Main st, and visits with her at the 'Bluff. Philip Friske and family

Philip Friske and family - January 09, 2021 at 12:11 PM

DW

“ *My sincere sympathy to Jan, Ranell, Matthew and family. Peace be with you.*

Diane Weiss Wilson (Retired from RMH lab.)

Diane Wilson - January 08, 2021 at 05:27 PM

DB

“ *Rest In Peace Kelly. I remember having some great times together in high school. So sorry for your loss Rangel and the Makeever family!❤️*

Dawn Packard Butler

Dawn Packard Butler - January 08, 2021 at 03:07 PM

JW

“ *Jerry Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kelly Makeever Rapacki*



Jerry Walker - January 07, 2021 at 09:04 PM

JW

“ *Jerry Walker To my best friend through the years. Loved her baking and she loved music. We both lived the Dobbie Brothers! My condolences to Ranell, Matthew and the Makeever family. God bless Aaron*

Jerry Walker - January 07, 2021 at 08:36 PM

MM

Thanks so much Jerry!

Matt Makeever - January 08, 2021 at 02:52 PM

BC

“ Way to young to leave us. She was such a great person growing up. Even though its been years since school days and coming to your house your never forgotten R.I.P

Bob crosty - January 07, 2021 at 02:53 PM

RN

“ Our condolences to Jan, Ranell, and Matt on your loss, Dick and Rose Novak from Florida.

Richard F Novak - January 07, 2021 at 08:27 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kelly Makeever Rapacki.



January 06, 2021 at 12:04 PM

JS

“ What a beautiful life lost, my thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Julie Smith - January 06, 2021 at 08:21 AM

JK

I am so very sad to read of Kelly's passing. I periodically search for her because we lost track of each other many years ago, and today I found her obituary. We had so much fun together in high school - in orchestra as stand partners, working together at Key Rexall, and figuring out life together. We reconnected for a time, and I attended her wedding shower and wedding and was at RMH having a daughter at the same time she had her son, then I lost track of her. I miss her, and I would love to catch up on her story. Even after all these years, this feels like a terrible loss. I always hoped we would one day reconnect. She was so dear to me - one of my closest friends in high school. If a family member is so inclined to tell me more about her story, I would be so grateful to hear from you. I have included my email.

*Julie (Freeman) Kloster
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Julie (Freeman) Kloster - February 15, 2021 at 10:03 PM