



## Diana Lynn Burke

July 23, 1957 - September 8, 2013

Diana Lynn Burke, age 56, of Sunrise Beach, Missouri, passed away Sunday, September 8, 2013, at the University of Missouri Hospital and Clinics in Columbia, Missouri. She was born July 23, 1957, in Peoria, Illinois, the daughter of the late Larry and Carole (Sheckler) Brooks.

On September 5, 1987, in Peoria, Illinois, she was united in marriage to Robert Joseph Burke, who survives the home.

Second to the love she had for her family, Diana had a passion for animals. Early on, she was a professional dog groomer, handler, breeder, and a member of the American Kennel Club. As a former businesswoman she owned and operated the Clipp Joint Pet Grooming Salon which led to opening the Illinois Institute of Professional Pet Grooming, both located in Peoria, IL. She was a pioneer in the field with her school being only the 2nd in existence in Illinois in the early 1990's.

Diana was a registered nurse and a certified orthopedic nursing specialist. She was a member of the National Association of Orthopedic Nurses. She has worked at Des Peres Hospital in St. Louis, MO, Mineral Area Hospital in Park Hills, MO, and most recently at St. Mary's Hospital in Jefferson City, MO.

She was a member of the Mt. Olive United Methodist Church in De Soto

where she was active in United Methodist Women. After moving to the Lake of the Ozarks, she transferred her membership to the Ozark Chapel United Methodist Church in Laurie.

Diana had a God-Given talent for botany and was a master gardener. She was creative, artistic and had an eye for interior design. She was a wonderful cook, enjoyed fishing and was an avid sports fan. In her teenage years she competed in dance roller skating and swimming. She thoroughly enjoyed watching all sports, especially if it involved her children or her St. Louis Cardinals.

In addition to her husband Robert, she is survived by her sons, Miles Bachler of Peoria, Illinois and Tyler Burke of Robinsonville, Mississippi; her daughter, Ashley Bachler of Peoria, Illinois; granddaughter, Ila Ruth Bachler of Peoria, Illinois; brother, Larry Brooks, Jr. of Peoria, Illinois; and many other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Dana Brooks.

A celebration of Diana's life will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, September 14th, at the Ozark Chapel United Methodist Church with Pastor Rick White officiating. The family will receive friends from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., Saturday, at the church. Memorial contributions are suggested to S.T.A.F.F. Animal Rescue in Sunrise Beach.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Ozark Chapel United Methodist Church  
305 N. Main St.  
Laurie, MO 65038

## Celebration of Life

SEP 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

FH

“ *Beyond Life's Gateway- There's an open Gate at the end of the road through which each must go a lone, and there is a light we cannot see, our father claims his own. Beyond the gate your loved one finds happiness and rest; and there is comfort in the thought that a loving God knows best.*

*Frances Hemphill,  
Social Worker*

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**Frances Hemphill** - September 13, 2013 at 04:40 PM

JW

“ *I had the privilege of knowing Diana over the past year ,we were so very lucky to have her walk onto our unit and into our lives.Our patients and our staff are better for having known her.*

*Julie Womack*

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**julie womack** - September 13, 2013 at 10:12 AM

SS

“ *Shirley Schilare lit a candle in memory of Diana Lynn Burke*



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**shirley schilare** - September 12, 2013 at 06:54 PM

KS

“ Dear Robert and Family:  
Like Diane and Carol and others here of the St. Marys family, I too was blessed to have worked with Diana. Her time here like her time on Earth was too short! I greatly enjoyed her uplifting spirit with our patients and co-workers. She felt she was truly blessed with her family and living at the Lake. Her final e-mails to update us on how she was doing were truly inspirational to us all! She will be missed. May God wrap his arms of comfort and assurance around you all!!

*Ken Skouby*

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**Ken Skouby** - September 12, 2013 at 04:33 PM

CC

“ Dear Robert and Family,  
I had the privilege of working with Diana at St. Mary's. I can not begin to express how much she is missed. My prayers are with you through this difficult time.  
*Carol Chandler*

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**Carol Chandler** - September 12, 2013 at 09:55 AM

JW

“ I was glad to know Diana and her family when we were in the youth group in Peoria. I am sorry to learn of her death, and I will be praying for her family.

*Joey Watt  
Pastor, El Vista Baptist Church  
Peoria*

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**joey Watt** - September 11, 2013 at 03:33 PM

DW

“ DEAR ROBERT AND FAMILY- WHAT A WONDERFUL NURSE-- SHE MADE HER COWORKERS LAUGH AND OFFERED COMPASSION AND NURSING EXCELLENCE TO SCORES OF PATIENTS --SHE IS SURELY LIVING IN GLORY--HER MEMORY WILL LIVE ON IN OUR HEARTS AND THOSE THAT KNEW HER WERE PRIVILEGED TO KNOW A TRULY BEAUTIFUL PERSON. GOD BLESS HER FAMILY.  
DIANE WEYENBERG

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**DIANE WEYENBERG** - September 11, 2013 at 10:45 AM

KC

“ Kathi Copelen lit a candle in memory of Diana Lynn Burke



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**Kathi Copelen** - September 11, 2013 at 10:24 AM

JW

“ Bob and family. Was so sad to read of Diana's passing. My friend Nancy & I used to trip to Delavan once a month for our dogs grooming. Besides being the best groomer I ever had, always enjoyed the visit to the country and especially visiting with Diana.

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**Jeanne Wallace** - September 11, 2013 at 10:21 AM

KA

“ *Bob and Tyler,*

*Joe, Brad and I are so sorry to hear about Diana. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Buehler Family*

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**Karen** - September 11, 2013 at 06:13 AM

TS

“ *I'm so sry for your loss she was a great person and wonderful nurse she will be truly missed she worked with me on 3a at Deperes hospital we all loved her very much*

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**tabitha seel** - September 10, 2013 at 09:47 PM

MA

“ *I worked with Diana at Des Peres and was extremely saddened to hear of her passing. We loved talking dogs together, as my parents had a Doberman and I grew up with one. She was so proud of her family, too. She always talked about her granddaughter - she lightened up telling stories of her. I also loved talking to her about Ty and his baseball, as my brother also played college baseball. She was tickled when I had my last son and named him Miles. She was such a wonderful person with a huge heart. God surely has an extra special spot for her in Heaven. She now has the best seats to every Cardinal game. I hope she's sitting right next to my brother, who passed away in March after battling brain cancer. Your family will be in prayers, as she will be greatly missed.*

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**Mary Allen** - September 10, 2013 at 07:07 PM

AL

“ Allison lit a candle in memory of Diana Lynn Burke



Allison - September 10, 2013 at 06:45 PM

EI

“ Eileen lit a candle in memory of Diana Lynn Burke



Eileen - September 10, 2013 at 06:35 PM

NL

“ Nikki Lewis lit a candle in memory of Diana Lynn Burke



Nikki Lewis - September 10, 2013 at 04:54 PM

ME

“ Misty Ecker lit a candle in memory of Diana Lynn Burke



Misty Ecker - September 10, 2013 at 04:07 PM