



Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee

November 18, 1961 - May 16, 2022

Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee was born on November 18, 1961, as the first of three daughters in the family of Mel and Martha Winter of Columbia, MO. She attended Hickman High School and continued her education at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where she earned a Bachelor's degree in psychology, a Master in Education degree, and a Master's degree in German language. While at MU she served as a research assistant in psychology and a teaching assistant in German. She also studied for a year in Germany as an undergraduate and worked for a time at a Siemens factory making electrical capacitors. After her studies were complete, she served as a sabbatical replacement instructor in German at the University of Central Missouri and then taught English at the University of Trier in Germany for three years before being hired as a middle school and high school German teacher in the Morgan County R-II school district. In addition to her teaching, Kim served as a new teacher mentor, class sponsor, German Club sponsor, and Night Attendance Center proctor.

On December 27, 1990, Kim married the love of her life, Robert L. "Bob" McGhee, who is originally from Kennett, MO.

Kim was a baptized and confirmed member of St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church in Versailles where she was a lector, communion minister, and former Parish School of Religion teacher.

Kim's plans for retirement after twenty-nine years of service to MCR-II were interrupted by her unexpected death on May 16, 2022 during the final week of the school year.

Preceded in death by her mother and several other friends and relatives, Kim is survived by her father, Mel; her husband, Bob; her daughter, Mara McGhee; her stepson and his family, Shoji and Leigh-Ann McGhee, Liam McGhee, and Eva McGhee; her sisters and their families, Holly and Mike Mittie and Gayla Rauter; her brothers-in-law and their families, Bill and Pamela McGhee and James and Debbie McGhee and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., Friday, May 27th, at the St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church in Versailles with a rosary prayed at 10:30 a.m. A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m., with a luncheon to follow at the church. Immediately following the luncheon, graveside services and inurnment will be held at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Laurie. In lieu of memorial contributions, the family requests that people love their neighbors, help those in need, welcome those fleeing persecution, and get vaccinated.

Expressions of sympathy may be left online at www.kidwellgarber.com. Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church
17034 Highway D
Versailles, MO 65084

Rosary

MAY 27. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Memorial Mass

MAY 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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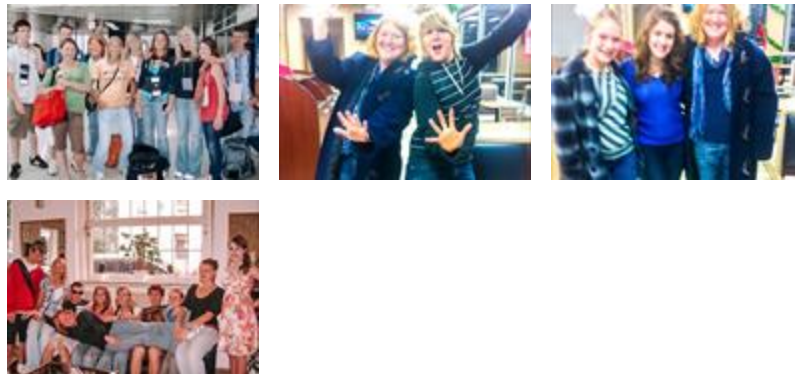
“ *Pat Siebeneck lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee*



Pat Siebeneck - June 09, 2022 at 11:36 PM

MF

“ *Frau du bist meine Lieblings Lehrerin. Du hast mich über die Welt gelehrt. Ich bin so dankbar für dich. Ich will dich vermisst.*



Melendy Forman - May 26, 2022 at 10:14 PM

MH

“ *I did not know Kimberly, but want to express my appreciation for your message "In lieu of memorial contributions, the family requests that people love their neighbors, help those in need, welcome those fleeing persecution, and get vaccinated." What a powerful and beautiful sentiment. Thank you.*

*Sending sympathy and gratitude,
Melinda Hemmelgarn
Columbia, MO*

Melinda Hemmelgarn - May 25, 2022 at 12:36 AM

PW

“*Frau, du wirst vermisst. Ich werde es vermissen, mit Ihnen in meiner Muttersprache zu sprechen. Es war wunderbar, mit Ihnen in den Fluren zu sprechen, als ich an der Schule arbeitete. Gott hat einen weiteren Engel im Himmel empfangen. Dies ist kein Abschied, aber bis später. Friede sei mit der Familie. Mein Herz geht an sie und ihre Verlierer.*



Pat Wasdyke - May 23, 2022 at 05:11 PM

JW

“*"Frau", as we called her in my class, was one of the best teachers I ever had during my time in Versailles. From the good times we had in Germany to the many interesting things we learned in class, she made time fun and will truly be missed.*



Jaren W. - May 21, 2022 at 03:40 PM

CB

“*Healing prayers for family and friends!*



cristy bauer - May 20, 2022 at 10:01 PM

BS

“ Dear Bob,
I'm so sorry to hear this sad news. You have my prayers and deepest sympathy. She was a beautiful person, so genuine, sincere, well-meaning, hard-working, funny, und und und! You two were clearly soul mates from the beginning. We definitely had some good times back in grad school and I count myself very fortunate to have spent so much time with you both. Bob Shea

Bob Shea - May 20, 2022 at 08:38 PM

PC

“ Patricia Chism lit a candle in memory of
Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee



Patricia Chism - May 20, 2022 at 04:33 PM

PC

Words cannot express how deeply sorry I am for your loss. My heart aches. Kim will be greatly missed. Her bubbly personality and her cheerful spirit, the loved she showed to everyone. Her and Bob took my daughter in like she was their own on countless dance competitions when I was unable to. I would give Sydney money for the trips and she would get home and still have the money and I'd get mad at her saying why do you still have money she'd say they wouldn't let me pay. One time I drove over to there house to give them the money. For this and for many other things I will be eternally grateful for this wonderful women and her beautiful family. Lifting Bob and Mara and Mel and the rest of this beautiful family up in prayer. May God wrap his arms around you during this difficult time. Much love ❤️

Patricia Chism - May 20, 2022 at 04:47 PM

DM

“ Her classroom was beside mine in the middle school. There were times we just had to stop. 😞 But I got to hear what a great teacher she was and how much she loved the kids. We’d laugh and carry on between classes. I had so much fun with her next door.



Dawn Moritz - May 20, 2022 at 04:03 PM

EH

“ Erin Concannon- Howser lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee



Erin Concannon- Howser - May 20, 2022 at 01:29 PM

KK

“ Even though I only had her for 2 years in middle school I will miss her as if I had her for all 6. Us teasing her about her margarita drinking and her maybe being a Nazi spy. I’m really glad I got to know her and I’m gonna miss saying hi to her in the halls every day. I’m honored to share the name Kimberly with her and I hope she is finds peace. We love you Frau.

Kimberly Korn - May 20, 2022 at 11:39 AM

LL

“ Lisa Lutman lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee



Lisa Lutman - May 20, 2022 at 09:49 AM



Thank you Kim for all of the love you brought to Versailles.

Lisa Lutman - May 20, 2022 at 09:50 AM



“ Staff meetings will certainly be different without her asking one more question when everyone is ready to go and of course her laugh. Kim was one of a kind and one that will be missed in the halls and classroom of MCR2. Pleasure to know you Kim.

Becky Lehman - May 20, 2022 at 09:38 AM



“ She will be missed by many. I loved our conversations on my ways to class everyday when I was in school



ShaNay - May 20, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ Kim always had a giggle and a smile on the ready.....She had a heart of gold, cared deeply for her students, loved her family and friends with all of her heart.



Kathy Meyer - May 20, 2022 at 09:21 AM

Lisa Elliott

“*Frau was my son’s German teacher from sixth grade all through high school. Pouring generously from her spontaneous spirit, she taught much more than German. Every day I subbed, Kim always had a smile, a laugh, an encouraging word for me when we passed in the hallway. As a long-term sub, I got to observe some of the ways she contributed to education outside the classroom. We also connected as committed parents of onlies. She will be missed beyond measure.*”



Lisa Elliott - May 20, 2022 at 09:01 AM

JJ

“*Joy Jackson-Concannon lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee*”



Joy Jackson-Concannon - May 19, 2022 at 11:22 PM

KW

“*Frau Winter (as we called her) may not have remembered me but the impact she had on my life stays with me to this day. I believe I was in her class the equivalent of about 50 days over the 6 years I took German (1999 to 2005). That works out to be 1 hour a week for grades 6 to 8 and 3 hours a week for grades 9-11 for 35 weeks in a school year.*

Frau Winter taught me a lot but what sticks with me most is the patience and kindness she showed me on multiple occasions. One extraordinary time was when I just wasn't understanding German conjugations and sentence structure and she realized it was because I didn't correctly understand it in English :) She took extra time to teach me English sentence structure correctly so that I could relate German to English.

I'll miss her energy and smile but what I'll miss most is not being able to say thank you and share this with memory with her. My condolences to her family, she was very special and dear to a lot of her students.

Kyle Wiebers - May 19, 2022 at 10:08 PM

RW

“*Rich Williams lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Gail Winter-McGhee*



Rich Williams - May 19, 2022 at 12:01 PM