



Kim Hansen

July 3, 1953 - May 12, 2011

Kim Hansen, 57 year old resident of Little Falls, MN passed away peacefully after a long battle with cancer on May 12, 2011 at St. Gabriel's Hospital in Little Falls, MN. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11 A.M. on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at First Lutheran Church in Little Falls, MN with Rev. David Sperstad officiating. Friends may call from 9-11 A.M. on Saturday at First Lutheran Church in Little Falls, MN. Funeral arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Kim was born on July 3, 1953 in Minneapolis, MN to Irving and the late Jeanne (Sutton) Almen. She attended and graduated high school from St. Anthony Village High School with the class of 1971. Kim was united in marriage to Phillip Hansen on February 18, 1984 at First Lutheran Church in Little Falls, MN.

Kim began working at the Morrison County Record in 1989 and had worked there for 22 years as a sales representative and later became the sales manager. Kim gave her time generously to the community, volunteering and serving on various committees and boards. Some of her involvements include co-chair of the Little Falls Dam Festival and prior to that Riverfest; organizer of the Christmas Celebration business promotion, assistant president of Ducks Unlimited. In 2010 Kim was named Grand Marshal of the Dam Festival Parade by the Dam Festival Committee for her volunteer efforts in the community. She also organized many golf outings for various organizations

that she felt strongly about, like FAB (Flyer Athletic Booster), Little Falls Country Club, and Relay For Life. Kim also enjoyed the arts, she was a member of the Great River Arts Association, participated in plays that the Hole-in-the-Day Players put on, and she sang in the First Lutheran Church Choir. She not only gave her time and talents to the community of Little Falls, but she helped other surrounding communities in Morrison County with projects. While Kim loved her community she also enjoyed spending time with her family and many friends especially her two grandchildren Colin and Chase. She loved the true beauty of the Mississippi River, and enjoyed countless days on her pontoon and at Turtle Island with Phil and her numerous friends. Kim also participated in the women's golf league for many years. She and Phil took several camping trips to We Fest and Moondance Jam music festivals. Kim was known and took great pride in growing her beautiful raspberry patches and baking her famous banana bread. Many people knew and will forever remember her singing of the song "Mustang Sally"; but she also loved the music from Chicago and Journey. Kim was well known and loved much by many people in the community and will be dearly missed by so many family and friends.

Kim is survived by husband, Phillip Hansen of Little Falls, MN; son, Christopher (Steph) Rathmanner of Inver Grove Heights, MN; father, Irving Almen of Comstock, WI; brothers, Jeff (Robin) Almen of Herndon, VA, and Kerry (Debbie) Almen of Ham Lake, MN; sister, Mary Beth Rathmanner of St. Joseph, MN; brother-in-law, Tim (Athista) Hansen of Montebello, CA; sister-in-law, Laura Hansen & friend Ken Anderson of Little Falls, MN; grandchildren, Colin & Chase Rathmanner; nieces and nephews, Ben Almen, Kate Almen, Katrina Almen, Ben Hansen, Joel Hansen, and Josiah Hansen.

Kim is preceded in death by mother, Jeanne Almen; infant brother, Christopher Almen; and in-laws, Milo & Caroline Hansen.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 21. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church - Little Falls
2100 Riverview Drive
Little Falls, MN

Service

MAY 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Kim Hansen*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - May 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Kim Hansen*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ A soldier was at your celebration and sent me this note today as a tribute to you. You are still making a difference here for us all. I love you one hundred million times, and miss you, my dear pal.

There were two soldiers whom God put on the earth to fight the good fight. One soldier wore the uniform with the flag on his right shoulder and when ordered to do so went off to a foreign land to avenge the atrocities that befell his fellow citizens. Because of what had happened to their country, many people waved the flag in patriotic fervor proclaiming their love for God and Country. This bothered the uniformed soldier because he knew that the majority of those waving the flag would not do much, if anything for their fellow man here at home. They did not realize or care that REAL patriotism meant taking care of those here at home that could not take care of themselves or those who simply needed an occasional helping hand.

The second soldier did not wear the uniform nor did she travel to a foreign land. She stayed at home to battle the problems of those she encountered every day in her home town. She fought hard and was a hero to the old, the young, the handicapped and anyone else that she helped along the way. This was a real patriot fighting for goodness and guided by grace. She did her work without seeking glory or thanks knowing that the smiles she brought to those she helped were all the just rewards she could ever seek.

When the uniformed soldier came home he was told by many that he was a hero but he knew that to not be true. He was only a hero as prescribed by the media and the adulation made him uneasy. He had a very hard time readjusting to normal life but hoped that as time

went on things would get better. He waited and waited and this painful sojourn took a deep toll on his family.

One day the soldier that did not wear the uniform and fought the home fight died. The uniformed soldier went to her funeral. Even though she was a real patriot there were no posthumous medals, no color guard or anyone to play taps as what is customary with the passing of a soldier. Instead a church became filled with people that told of the wonderful things this soldier had done and how her selfless acts had made a difference in their lives. Amongst the crowd sat the uniformed soldier who felt suddenly ashamed at having felt sorry for himself all these many months and years since returning home. He prayed to God that he could find the strength and compassion to carry on the good works of his fallen comrade. It was then that God spoke to him to inspire by telling him the credo of the soldier he was there to honor.

“To the world you may only be one person, but to one person you may be the world”.##imported-begin##Lola Engel-Faufau##imported-end##

May 22, 2011 at 10:36 PM



“ Phil - sending love and caring thoughts to you and family. Kim truly was a classy lady who will be missed by so many who knew her. God Bless! Love, Colleen##imported-begin##Colleen Lisson##imported-end##

May 21, 2011 at 10:08 AM



“ My dearest " Bestie", I miss you, and will love and pray for us always. fly on dragonfly, fly on. Phil you were the best husband ever to my dearest friend. Thank you for loving Kimmy so well., And the kidney she always appreciated that more than you'll ever know. Love to all the Hansens. Good night Mee=Mee, sleep well with the angels.##imported-begin##Laurie Lozier##imported-end##

May 20, 2011 at 07:31 PM



“ Dear Phil, we are so sorry for your loss. When some one would come into a room that Kim knew her face would light-up like she hadn't seen them in years! She was always willing to help out, for our wedding reception she got there early and right away pitched in and helped with the food and decorating. We will miss this kind, caring and fun ray of sunshine. Sandy and Bryan Wright-Olson##imported-begin##sandy wright-olson##imported-end##

May 20, 2011 at 06:48 PM



“ Phil and families,
There are soooo many memories that I hold in my heart that I was lucky enough to share with "Princess" Kim. She was a very special person and friend to all who knew and loved her. I know she is at peace and watching over us to make sure we are behaving or "not behaving". Our thoughts and prayers are with you Phil and all of yours and Kim's family. God Bless You All!
Love, Faye and Chuck Santala##imported-begin##Faye Santala##imported-end##

May 18, 2011 at 02:11 PM



“ Phil, you are in our prayers. This may not be the place for it , but it is typical Kim, and that's how we will always remember her. On our last IFPA outing Kim came up to me and said " Gary I can never Thank You enough for hauling my fat a__ all over New Orleans" Yes that and that smile is how I want to remember her.
God Bless###imported-begin##Gary Rudy##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 07:04 PM



“ Dear Phil, Chris, Irv, Jeff, Kerry, and families,
We were deeply saddened to hear of the loss of such a wonderful woman in your lives. Kimmie was a real character...what was not to love? Our world is a better place because she lived. I regret that I won't be able to be with you as you celebrate her life. Know that thoughts, prayers, and hugs are sent your way. May our Lord wrap each one of you in His loving arms.
Love to all, Mary###imported-begin##Mary Fallon Arnold~ Kim's cousin###imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 01:44 AM



“ Dear Almen and Hansen families,

My deepest sympathy on the loss of your wife, mother, grandmother, sister, Aunt friend. Kim and my Dad were first cousins and I didn't know Kim that well, but all the stories of her tell me she was a very special woman! God bless to you all and may Kim now be at peace and walking hand in hand with her mom, my great Aunt Jeanne...Love to all

~Michelle (Fallon) Claxton and family###imported-begin##Michelle Claxton###imported-end##

May 16, 2011 at 11:33 PM



“ Phil, Hansen and Almen families, we are so very saddened to hear of Kim's passing.

She will be truly missed by us all. She is well loved.##imported-begin##Tom Fallon-Kim's Cousin##imported-end##

May 16, 2011 at 10:52 PM



“ my memory of kim entering a room and filling it with sunshine, laughter and a great joke. she will be sorely missed.##imported-begin##jim and charlene doschka##imported-end##

May 16, 2011 at 03:56 PM



“ To Kimmie's family our deepest sympathy--that girl always saw the bright side of life and shared that with all--what a gift she left! May she rest in peace.
Love Chris and Sheila##imported-begin##Sheila Christensen##imported-end##

May 16, 2011 at 11:39 AM



“ Sorry for your loss. I am sorry I can not be there. Hope to see you this summer.##imported-begin##Aunt Mary Parsley##imported-end##

May 15, 2011 at 09:18 PM



“ *Phil, Chris and family
we extend our love, sympathy and prayers to all of you on the loss
of you loved one---we are so sorry!##imported-begin##Charlie and
Dianne Ledbetter##imported-end##*

May 14, 2011 at 09:25 PM



“ *PHIL, My sincere sympathy to you & your family. Bev
Arndt##imported-begin##Bev Arndt##imported-end##*

May 13, 2011 at 11:46 PM



“ *I want to express out deepest sympathy. Kim will truly be missed!
She lit up a room with her smile and laugh. She brightened my day
every time I saw her. I have been blessed to have her touch my
life.##imported-begin##Lisa Germscheid##imported-end##*

May 13, 2011 at 11:40 PM



“ *Dear Phil and Family,
Kim was one-of-a-kind! She enjoyed life and it showed! Our
thoughts and prayers are with you.
Her singing on stage at the West Side Bar with Ice Breakers will
always be a memory we hold dear!##imported-begin##Jeff Tschida
& Deb Boelz##imported-end##*

May 13, 2011 at 10:51 PM



“ With our deepest sympathy! Rick & Eileen Heckman from Chambersburg PA. IFPA Friends. Kimmie will be sadly missed!##imported-begin##Rick Heckman##imported-end##

May 13, 2011 at 05:25 PM



“ Please accept my most heartfelt sympathies for your loss...my thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Melanie Lintner##imported-end##

May 13, 2011 at 04:32 PM



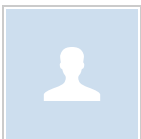
“ I met Kim when I work with LF radio, class person...prayers and thoughts with her and her family.##imported-begin##Brad Cantleberry##imported-end##

May 13, 2011 at 04:26 PM



“ Kim was one of those people that enriched the lives of everyone that knew her. I feel blessed to have called her my friend.##imported-begin##Pat Nelson##imported-end##

May 13, 2011 at 11:26 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family. Kim was loved by so many and she gave countless amounts of time to our community, she will be missed greatly by many...
God bless, Shelly##imported-begin##Shelly Sowada##imported-end##

May 13, 2011 at 10:33 AM