



Cynthia Marie Zylstra

June 1, 1954 - September 18, 2015

Cynthia Marie Zylstra of Visalia passed away peacefully Friday, September 18, 2015 at Kaweah Delta Skilled Nursing Facility in Visalia at the age of 61 surrounded by family. She was born June 1, 1954 in Glendale, California to Raymond and Lois (Snook) Koger.

Cynthia attended Fresno Pacific University where she received her Master's degree in Special Education. After graduating she worked as a Special Needs Teacher at El Diamante High School since the schools opening in 2002 where she was an avid supporter of her students. She enjoyed scrapbooking, arts & crafts, trips to Disneyland and spending time with family and friends. She will best be remembered as a loving and caring mother and grandmother, an amazing friend, for touching the lives of her students and for her unmatched passion for teaching. She will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her sons Keith (Michelle) Plantenberg and Travis (Vicki) Rubenhold, her two grandchildren Micah and Bethany Plantenberg and her brother Gerald (Sue) Koger. A memorial mass will be held Saturday September 26, 2015, 10:30am at St. Charles Catholic Church.

A memorial tribute can be shared at www.salseranddillard.com

The family would like to extend our gratitude to the staff at Kaweah Delta Skilled Nursing Facility for their attentiveness and loving care for our mother and grandmother Cynthia.

"Hey says, 'Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth'." Psalm 46:10

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

SEP **26**. 10:30 AM (PT)

St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
5049 W Caldwell
Visalia, CA 93277

Tribute Wall

AG

“ I would like to extend my deepest condolences to Cindy's family. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with her at El Diamante. Her caring and passion for her students radiated in her teaching style. Her students were blessed to have her as an instructor. I am so very sorry for your family's loss. Anna Gomez

Anna Gomez - September 26, 2015 at 11:35 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Cynthia Marie Zylstra.



September 25, 2015 at 07:05 PM

TM

“ Cindy was a tremendous help to me not only as a fellow teacher whose kids we shared, but as a fellow cancer sufferer. Her words of encouragement buoyed me at my lowest ebb in my ongoing fight....even in the midst of her own battle. That meant more to me than I can ever put into words and kept me going when at times I felt I was fighting a losing cause. But that was Cindy to a fault....a woman who lived to give comfort and support to others. I will always remember that smile and air of confidence she brought to all of us.

Tim McGlasson - September 24, 2015 at 10:22 AM

SW

“ Sue Moffitt Winter lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Marie Zylstra



Sue Moffitt Winter - September 21, 2015 at 04:18 PM

SW

“ Dear Cindy, Now you can be with Uncle Ray, and our mothers. My love to all the family members and dear friends, from the Iowa cousin Sue.

Sue Moffitt Winter - September 21, 2015 at 04:16 PM

AL

“ Oh cindy you will be missed by so many. Thank you for looking out for my mom. Heaven got a beautiful angel

alissa - September 21, 2015 at 12:37 AM

RL

“ I'm so blessed to have helped u get around town on our buses will miss ur great smile and talks on our trips may you rest in peace you will be missed by all of us that have crossed your path

Regina League - September 20, 2015 at 09:38 PM

JL

“ Aa courageous, dedicated, loving teacher, who helped a lot of kids along the way.



Janet Lynch - September 19, 2015 at 08:24 PM



“ *Thank you Mrs. Zylstra for getting me through high school. I am blessed to say I knew you!* ”

Eastan Davis - September 19, 2015 at 12:40 PM