



Sylvia Christine Kanoyton

February 7, 1938 - June 18, 2020

Celebration of Life

Sylvia Christine Williams Kanoyton was born on February 7, 1938 in Detroit, Michigan, as the only child of the late Kenneth and Christina Williams. Sylvia also had a half- brother the late George Dwelle. As a young child, she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at St. Philips Lutheran Church in Detroit.

She graduated from Detroit Northern High School and attended Highland Park Community College.

As for her career, she was a fashion model for the Kanoyton Mannequins, where she modeled the latest women's fashions. Afterwards she was a homemaker for many years, raising her children. Once establishing her family, she took a position in the automotive industry, working for General Motors and TRW. She retired in 2000. A lover of politics, Sylvia was a highly opinionated grassroots political pundit, who kept up with current events and social affairs. An active member of the United Auto Workers, Sylvia took an avid interest in equality and justice for women, minorities, and union workers. She kept up with policy and reform issues and treasured her voting rights.

Sylvia always put family first. Her children and grandchildren were her pride and joy. She cherished every moment she could spend with them, including family dinners, holidays, and celebrations of academic and social achievements. She loved cooking and was excellent at it. Her home was also a point of pride and it was always immaculately clean. Sylvia's heart was always open to those she loved, and her smile was warm and her laughter was infectious.

She passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 18, 2020 with family in attendance at the Skld Nursing Home in

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

Sylvia is survived by her former husband Gaylord Kanoyton with whom she remained friends, their children: Gaylene Kanoyton, Lynne (son-in-law Jeffrey) Mills, Marlowe Kanoyton, and Nicole (spelling) Kanoyton. Sylvia was blessed with six grandchildren: Kai, Nigel, Julian, Michael-Tyler, and Jonathan. She also leaves to cherish her memory many nieces, nephews, in-laws, and other family members, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Detroit Memorial Park-East

4280 Thirteen Mile Road
Warren, MI 48092

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **22**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services
24585 Evergreen Rd
Southfield, MI 48075
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info@kempfh.com
<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

Family Hour

JUN **23**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Sylvia Christine Kanoyton*



Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services - June 23, 2020 at 12:26 PM



“ *Sylvia Christine Kanoyton*

September 27, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ *Sylvia Christine Kanoyton*

September 27, 2022 at 06:52 PM



“ *I just found out Ms. Sylvia passed. I did not see her name on the voter roll. I thought she moved away. I used to talk to her for a long time. When I canvassed her street. So sweet and funny. I will miss her. God Bless the Family.*



Renee Beckley - July 01, 2022 at 07:04 AM

MM

“ *Michael Mickens lit a candle in memory of Sylvia Christine Kanoyton*



Michael Mickens - January 12, 2021 at 03:29 AM

AH

“ *Rest easy my Carr st. neighbor.....*



Adele Hopkins - June 24, 2020 at 07:14 PM

CS

“ *Chris Simmons lit a candle in memory of Sylvia Christine Kanoyton*



Chris Simmons - June 23, 2020 at 03:57 PM

WF

“ *Rest in peace auntie Sylvia! We will miss you and the holidays you would spend with us! All the love and support you gave to us. We truly appreciate you and your spirit. Heaven gained a beautiful angel. We Love You! - The Weak's Family!*

Weak's Family - June 23, 2020 at 01:30 PM

SB

“ Gaylene please know that my wife Terry and I are praying for you and your family as you celebrate the life and now legacy of your beautiful mother Slyvia Christine Kanoyton.

Steve Brown
Member, Hampton City Council

Steven Brown - June 23, 2020 at 12:58 PM

QW

“ Quen Williams lit a candle in memory of Sylvia Christine Kanoyton



Quen Williams - June 23, 2020 at 12:46 PM

YW

“ Ms Kanoyton❤️❤️❤️....There are no words to describe what you meant to me and my family. You were another mother, my dearest friend and confidant. We shared so many of moments that I will never forget. You were LOVE and always available to have any conversation as I was for you. I will always keep your voice messages and will never delete them because each one is special. So I wouldn't end this message with "goodbye " but the way we always did . "Call me when you get this message ." You will forever be in our hearts. Love Yolanda Williams and Family & The Simmons 🙏🙏❤️
~R.I.H Forever ~



Yolanda Williams - June 22, 2020 at 09:42 PM

CK

“ Constance Kanoyton lit a candle in memory of Sylvia Christine Kanoyton



Constance Kanoyton - June 22, 2020 at 08:35 PM

CK

“ I will forever remember and cherish our long conversations. You and I talked about everything under the sun. I miss you, already, but I know that you are now an angel in Heaven (just as you were here on earth), and you are finally wearing your crown. I will bow down to the queen when I meet you in Heaven.
Love you, always
Connie Kanoyton

Constance Kanoyton - June 22, 2020 at 08:34 PM