



Cathy Ann Squires

July 27, 1949 - May 18, 2025

Cathy Ann Squires 07.29.1949 – 05.18.2025

Cathy was born in Denver, CO but spent most of her childhood in Carroll, IA before moving to Omaha. Cathy, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, and friend -passed away peacefully Sunday morning.

Cathy was the daughter of the late L.A. Jack Smith and Mary Syler Smith. She is survived by her devoted husband, Thomas Squires; her children, Benjamin Squires, Nicholas Squires and Elizabeth Squires; and her cherished grandsons, Thomas Squires, Merek Squires, Paxton Kazebeer and Camren Kazebeer.

A Celebration of Life party will be held on July 19, 2025 from 2:00pm - 5:00pm at The Warehouse Grille & Drinkery (15835 C W Haden Dr. - Bennington, NE).

Mom

My mom was a truly remarkable person. She was a brilliant English teacher, a trusted real estate agent, and a loving Mother and Grandmother.

She had a deep love for language and stories. She introduced me to poetry and literature - one piece that really stayed with both of us was The Desiderata. It's message of peace, integrity, and self-respect wasn't just

something she admired - it was something she lived by.

As a teacher, she made an impression. The smart students loved her, and the slackers... not so much. She was tough, no-nonsense, and always prepared. She didn't hand out easy grades or empty praise, but she challenged her students to think harder, write better, and take their work seriously. And because of that, she earned a deep and lasting respect.

Still, she had her playful side - especially at Christmas, when she'd put on a holiday show with animatronic hamsters dancing and singing. It became a tradition her students never forgot, and it showed that beneath her high standards, she could be silly whimsical.

At home, she passed on her love of cooking to me. I especially loved her Hamburger Pie and Chicken and Rice. She loved hosting dinner parties and was meticulous about every detail - down to the place settings. One of her biggest fears was not having enough food for everyone, so she always made way more than enough. It was her way of making sure people felt cared for and welcomed.

I love my Mom forever and miss her everyday.

"You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here"

- Nick Squires

"Those we love can never be more than a thought away... For as long as there is a memory they live in our hearts to stay." - Author Unknown

- Tom Squires

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

JUL **19**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

The Warehouse Grille & Drinkery
15835 C W Haden Drive
Bennington, NE 68007

Tribute Wall

KB

“ *Cathy was a wonderful woman, teacher, and friend. We had many treasured conversations, cherished moments and memories. Yes she will be missed--but what a legacy and impact on everyone who knew her.*

Kate Beiting - July 18, 2025 at 12:39 PM

MW

“ *Tom and Family, some 50 odd years ago I first met Cathy at then, Lewis and Clark Junior High. I have such fond memories of her, one of the best, being the baby shower that she and Pat Bogar hosted for me in 1974! That seems forever ago now, but Ron and I have never forgotten Cathy and her fun-loving spirit! Our sincere condolences to all of you. May you find comfort with all of your fond memories!*

Mary Weber - July 15, 2025 at 10:48 AM

KG

“ *Tom, Benjamin, Nicholas, Elizabeth, & grandsons - please accept my sincere sympathy. I have such fond & numerous memories through the years. Cathy had such a positive outlook for life. I remember the times at the shop, as well as times I watched the boys when they were young. May your tears of sorrow today be replaced by the smiles of incredible memories as time allows. Cathy was a bright ray of sunshine to those who cherished her friendship. My prayers & thoughts are with you. God Bless You. 🥺🙏🙏*

Karol Godsey - May 25, 2025 at 06:47 PM

TB

“ I did not know Cathy but I know Tom and Liz very well. You could not find two better people so that obviously reflects well on Cathy. I just wanted to express my condolences to those two and the Family.

Turner Beard - May 25, 2025 at 09:48 AM