



Jodi Ellen Kelly

August 10, 1962 - February 3, 2020

Portsmouth – Jodi Ellen Kelly, 57, of Portsmouth, passed away unexpectedly at her home on Monday, February 3, 2020. Jodi was born in Springfield, MA on August 10, 1962 and was the daughter of R. Bruce O'Connor of Valley Center, CA and the late Patricia (Zilinsky) O'Connor.

Jodi grew up in Maine and graduated from Presque Isle High School with the Class of 1980. She raised her family in Bath, ME and owned and operated her own beauty salon in Brunswick, ME for many years. She also worked for LL Bean in Freeport, ME where she became interested in graphic design after earning the distinction of designing a shirt that the store marketed. She met Bruce Kelly, her future husband, while in Bath and they moved to the NH seacoast in 1999. Jodi attended the Pioneer Institute in Hooksett for graphic design and was a self-employed design specialist, building websites and many other design projects.

She was a strong-willed, hard-working single mother and providing for her family was always her top priority. Jodi loved gardening and going to the beach, and, being very athletic, also enjoyed bike riding, swimming and skiing. She was also a carefree spirit, and loved to express that by dancing with her friends, whether it be at a club or spontaneously. She was outgoing, loved people and was generous to a fault. She gave to others when she had little to give, and she harbored people in her own home when they had nowhere to

go. She could talk to anyone and made friends easily. Jodi will be sadly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

In addition to her father and her husband Bruce Kelly, Jodi leaves her son, Nicholas Brittain and his wife Ashley of Brentwood, her daughter, Whitney Forbes of Hampton and her grandchildren, Vivian and Amelia Brittain and Rogan and Roarke Forbes. She is also survived by her siblings, Tami Hudson and husband Ron of San Diego, CA, Lynn Johnson of Hull, MA, Lori Jaffe of Louisville, CO, Amber O'Connor, Eric O'Connor, and Heather Michael of California as well as her many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held from 4 to 6 PM on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. If desired, memorial donations may be made to The American Chronic Pain Association (<https://www.theacpa.org/support-acpa/>)

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jodi Ellen Kelly*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



February 11, 2020 at 12:21 PM



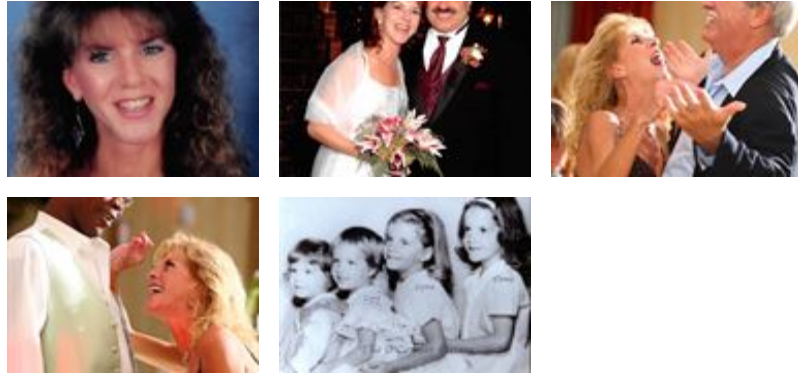
“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



February 11, 2020 at 05:52 AM



“ 121 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - February 10, 2020 at 05:06 PM

LK

“ *Love, Connor, Parker , Paige and Uncle Kent purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



Love, Connor, Parker , Paige and Uncle Kent - February 10, 2020 at 03:01 PM

MT

“ *Will always remember and love you sweet cousin*



Melanie Cunningham Thibodeau - February 10, 2020 at 02:33 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



February 10, 2020 at 02:24 PM



“ *I can still see her all dressed up as my baby with a bonnet on her head . We were 6 & 7 at the time . Always had matching pajamas , Easter dresses , she was my baby . I will miss her so so much .*

lori Jaffe - February 09, 2020 at 04:12 PM



“ *Love, Dad, Sandi, Amber and Heather purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



Love, Dad, Sandi, Amber and Heather - February 09, 2020 at 11:06 AM



“ *Bruce, Pam and I are so sorry for your loss. please know you'll be in our Prayers. God Bless to all your family.*

Glenn Kelly - February 09, 2020 at 09:48 AM

KS

“ Bruce, Whitney, Nick, Tami, Lynn & Lori...

My heart is heavy for all of you. Please accept my deepest sympathy.

Doobie

Karen Stover - February 09, 2020 at 07:25 AM



“ Whitney, I am very sorry for you and your families loss. May your memories comfort you during this difficult time.



Ruthe Da Silva - February 08, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.



February 08, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.



February 07, 2020 at 02:17 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



February 07, 2020 at 01:15 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



February 07, 2020 at 01:08 PM



“ *Bruce,
So sorry to hear of the loss of Jodi. Please keep her memories close to your heart to help you get through the difficult times ahead.
So sad.
Deeply Saddened,
Lissa Brownlee and the Staff at Groom*

Lissa Brownlee - February 07, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.*



February 06, 2020 at 06:36 PM

FL

“ From sisters Tami, Lynn and Lori purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.



From sisters Tami, Lynn and Lori - February 06, 2020 at 05:09 PM

BM

“ Bruce and family..our deepest condolences. We will always remember Jodi's vibrancy and fun at the marina with the gang.



Barbara Menefee - February 06, 2020 at 03:30 PM

LJ

I love this photo of my beautiful, sweet sis! She loved everyone down at the marina! ❤️

Lynn Johnson - February 06, 2020 at 05:11 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jodi Ellen Kelly.



February 06, 2020 at 02:46 PM