



## Deborah L. Bettenhausen

January 3, 1965 - March 28, 2019

Deborah L. Bettenhausen, age 54, of Crown Point passed away on March 28, 2019. She was a graduate of Victor Andrew High School in Tinley Park, IL, Class of 1983. Debbie enjoyed sports, gardening, boating, and homeschooling her boys – especially in history. Debbie was stricken with a rare health disorder, and despite the severity, endured beyond predictions. She will be missed in every way, but especially for her tenacity, humor, love, and ability to smile through all the adversity.

Debbie was preceded in death by her father- Wayne Pate, grandparents- Cas and Beatrice Bludgen. She is survived by her husband of 24 years- Thomas Bettenhausen; sons – Dylan and Dawson Bettenhausen of Crown Point; mother- Judith (Charles) Rose of Tinley Park, IL; brother- Michael Pate of Manteno, IL; many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. A funeral service will be held May 25, 2019 at 3p.m.at Trinity Lutheran Church, 6850 W, 159th St, Tinley Park, IL 60448. A celebration of Life will follow in the gymnasium at the church-school immediately following the service. Contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.[www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY **25**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church  
6850 W 159th St  
Tinley Park , IL 60448

# Tribute Wall



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Michael Pate - April 12, 2019 at 05:57 PM

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“ It was the first time meeting Deb that the question was put to me... "Who do you think she looks like..?" (Tommy was so excited to introduce us.) Assuming they meant a celebrity or performer. I simply answered "No one!" It was baffling, but that was my reaction. At the time, I was a studio and special events photographer, and still there was no comparison. Debs likeness is unique. There was, in fact, so much about her that defined authentic. So natural. Possessing kindness, warmth. And a triggering wit that made you hit the floor in laughter! Rare qualities that would gravitate those closest to her, create everlasting friendships. And a stern loving persona that nurtured two brave sons. To my friend & hero of mine, Thomas, I say with deep sincerity. Deb will be missed but thought of always. "The beauty of a woman must be seen from her eyes. That is the doorway to her heart, where love resides." Kathryn Hepburn

Patrick Thomas Coyne - April 02, 2019 at 09:32 AM

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“ I can't begin to tell you how much you'll be missed by all who love you. You graced us with you sense of humor, friendship, love, honesty, care... the list goes on. No matter how long we'd go with out talking, we'd always pick up like no time had passed at all. I love you with all my heart. I know you are no longer in pain but the pain of you being gone remains.

*Tom, Dylan, Dawson, Judy, Chuck, Mike, my heart and love is with you all during this difficult time. All my love, Ronda*

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**Ronda** - April 01, 2019 at 06:21 PM