



Kaitlin Marie Bergan

October 30, 1994 - April 27, 2022

Mason City - Kaitlin M. Bergan, 27, of Memphis, TN and formerly Mason City, passed away on April 27, 2022 in Johnson County, Iowa where she previously resided.

Mass will be held 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at Epiphany Parish-Holy Family Catholic Church, 722 North Adams, Mason City with Reverend Neil Manternach and Reverend Jon Seda, celebrants. She will be buried at Ridgewood Cemetery in North Liberty in a private family service.

Visitation will be 4:00-7:00 pm on Monday, May 2, 2022 at the Columbia Club, 551 South Taft, Mason City. A Remembrance Service will begin at 7:00 p.m. lead by Rev. Jenny Seylar.

Our Remembrance Service and the Mass will be livestreamed. Both may be found here: <https://www.facebook.com/HoganBremerMooreColonialChapel/>

Memorials may be directed to her family to be given in her name.

Kaitlin Marie Bergan was born October 30, 1994 in Mason City, to Scott and Lorena (Schmitz) Bergan. Growing up, she was an outgoing artist who explored her skills in band, choir, piano, tennis, dance, speech and drama at Steben's Theatre. She spent many of her summers serving as a lifeguard at the Mason City Family Aquatic Center. Kaitlin began her education at NIACC before graduating from Mason City High School. She took night courses in order to ensure she could continue her many activities, still earning her place on the Dean's List. Kaitlin continued her education at the University of Iowa where she earned a degree in Health and Human Physiology. Continuing her outgoing nature, she was on the University's water ski team her freshman year. It was soon after that she began her career as a Paramedic, working on the volunteer Fire Department in Coralville. Kaitlin began teaching EMS classes at the University of Iowa, even driving the CAM bus on campus. Soon after Kaitlin met Jason Lang, and the couple immediately clicked. Life took them to Memphis, TN where Kaitlin was accepted as a Paramedic Firefighter onto

their elite team, and was training to work in the Special Ops Station.

Kaitlin was a dedicated young woman that conquered her goals, no matter the obstacles placed in front of her. When she set her sights on something, she never backed down. Kaitlin discovered a passion for rock climbing, even winning her very first competition. This led her to many adventures, including trips to the Smoky Mountains. It was here her heart found true peace, and was one of her favorite places to hike and climb. Motorcycle rides brought her great joy as her heart sought broader horizons. Kaitlin made an impact on everyone she met.

Those left to cherish her memory are her parents, Scott A. and Lorena H. Bergan; brothers, Bradly "Brad" Bergan of Des Moines and Craig Bergan of Decorah; maternal grandparents, Dale and Frances Schmitz of Clive, IA; aunts and uncles, Deborah (Brett) Bostrom, Barbara King, Michael (Laura) Bergan, David (Jane) Bergan, Douglas (Jenny) Bergan, Ann Schmitz, Tony (Jamie Gilley) Schmitz, and Kevin (Heather) Schmitz; as well as numerous cousins and extended family.

Preceding Kaitlin in death are her paternal grandparents, Richard and Janice Bergan and fiancé, Jason Lang on February 26, 2022.

Hogan-Bremer-Moore Colonial Chapel. ColonialChapels.com. 641-423-2372.

Events

MAY **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Columbia Club

551 S. Taft Avenue, Mason City, IA, US, 50401

MAY **Sharing of Memories** 07:00PM

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MAY **Funeral Mass** 10:30AM

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Epiphany Parish Holy Family Catholic Church

714 N Adams Ave, Mason City, IA, US, 50401

Comments



“ Kaitlin was the instructor for my EMT class at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Her and Alex Crispin were a great duo, making everyone laugh. Kaitlin always had this 'cool calm and collected' attitude about her, she gave all of us in the class the confidence we needed in order to not only get through the class, but become care givers. I remember when we were practicing for our EMT psychomotor exam, I was the patient in the scenario and every time one of the other students that was doing the assessment would ask me questions about my disease, I would look at Kaitlin and she would either give me the nod 'yes,' or 'no,' but most of the time she would just smile and shrug lol She was a blast to be around. You'll be missed, but what you did for the class of 2020 will always be remembered and your teachings will always go on to help people in need. Thanks for everything, Kaitlin

Ryan - May 16 at 09:02 PM



“ Thank you for being a part of her life. She loved to teach! She told me there was more she had to do in that area, just wait & see... I knew her plan, but it didn't happen. I'm so happy she knew you & hopefully inspired you! Keep going, her mother, Lorena Bergan

Lorena Bergan - June 10 at 10:11 AM



“ Kaitlin was someone who truly made the world a better place. She was smart, funny, and set herself apart in many ways. My favorite memory of her was on a medical at a retirement community where a patient was unconscious on the floor in front of the door, so I couldn't kick the door in for the medics to get inside. I managed to get the window open next to the door, but it was going to take me some time to squeeze through it with all my gear on. Without a word, Kaitlin actually pushed me out of the way and jumped through the window so fast and effortlessly that I just stood there trying to understand what had happened. I joked with her about it after the call and she just smiled and told me I was in the way. I tried and failed to recruit her to our police department about every time I saw her, hoping someday she might actually do it. She always said she appreciated the effort but she loved what she did. I admired Kaitlin's skill, dedication, happy disposition, and I'll never forget her.

Tyler Hunt - May 03 at 04:12 AM



“ Tyler, this is a great story & we love hearing about all of her many adventures. She told us so many wonderful stories too. Most of all she shared how much she enjoyed learning & working with people who made just as much of a difference as she did. That's just it, the work all of you Paramedics & Firefighters do is amazing! Each and every one of you that puts yourself at risk for the sake of others is doing a selfless act. We admire all of you. She had so much more to do. She told me all about her future goals & trust me when I tell you, she met her goals. Jason's death broke her heart. All we can do is hold onto our great memories & be thankful God gave us a beautiful strong girl if even for 27 years. They were great & she was loved! Please remember her smile Tyler.

Lorena Bergan - May 03 at 08:48 PM



“ Kaitlin was an instructor in my paramedic program. The first time I met her I was intimidated! She was so confident and brave.

She became a mentor to me as I got to know her. I reached out to her for guidance multiple times. She was effusively supportive and represented many of the traits that I wanted in myself as a paramedic; courageous, whip-smart, self-assured, trustworthy, and to always remember that sometimes, all you can do is laugh. I'm sad I won't be able to talk to her about our paramedic careers, and I will miss her guidance. Knowing her will continue to make me a better paramedic. She undoubtedly gave outstanding care and comfort to all the patients she met. Her friends and family have my sincere condolences.

Elyse - May 03 at 01:23 AM



“ Elyse,

Thank you for such a kind post about our daughter. Her dad & I needed to hear things like this. It helps us during our time of grief. We are sorry you also are at a loss. Kaitlin was amazing. Take all she taught you & run with that. This world needs fine people like you staying the course. Just remember to live life but at the same time stop & enjoy life. Thanks again, Lorena & Scott Bergan

Lorena Bergan - June 10 at 10:26 AM



“ Iowa Rock Climbing Friends purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



Iowa Rock Climbing Friends - May 02 at 05:17 PM



“ Anamosa Ambulance purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



Anamosa Ambulance - May 02 at 02:54 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 02 at 01:35 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



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May 02 at 10:35 AM



“ Such a beautiful and outgoing young woman! Our hearts, thoughts and prayers to you all. Ken and Nancy

Nancy Christensen - May 02 at 10:20 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 02 at 08:45 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 02 at 12:08 AM



“ Dean Nelson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



Dean Nelson - May 01 at 10:19 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 01 at 07:52 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 01 at 05:05 PM



“ I met Kaitlin Bergan a few months ago at her fiancée's visitation. She seemed like a really nice person. Truly sad when a young life is lost. Condolences to her family.

Teri Snell - May 01 at 04:26 PM



“ Thank you & it's a tragedy. We lost two beautiful people. Jason was a sweet young man & she loved him. Losing him broke her heart. Losing our daughter is just an unspeakable tragedy. They should both still be here. Thank you for your condolences. Scott & Lorena Bergan

Lorena Bergan - June 10 at 10:34 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 01 at 12:02 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



May 01 at 10:28 AM



“ Kaitlin was a sweet, happy & kind Hoover School Student. I was her brother Craig's teacher & everyday Kaitlin would meet up with him & brother Brad after-school to walk home together. Smiles, laughter,teasing & chats about their day would take place before their trek home. Watching former Hoover students is a blessing...OH MY, KAITLIN HAD SO MANY WONDERFUL LIFE ADVENTURES & EXPERIENCES. LOVE TO ALL WHO HAD THE PLEASURE OF KNOWING KAITLIN BERGAN.

Pat Davison - May 01 at 10:15 AM



“ She had such a fun and beautiful spirit. The world has lost a good one. My prayers are with you.

Christine Peterson - May 01 at 05:24 AM



“ Scott and Lorena , I'm So Sorry to Hear This , Love and Prayers for you and your Family .

Love You Both ! Jimmy

Jimmy Lee - May 01 at 12:37 AM



“ We love you Jimmy! Thank you

Lorena Bergan - May 06 at 10:09 PM



“ Thoughts & prayers Lorena & Scott & family. I remember when Kaitlin and the drum line from MCHS visited our kindergarten room. The children were enthralled!

Rachel Morris - April 30 at 07:00 PM



“ Dear Scott and Lorena,
So sorry on the passing of your daughter, Kaitlin. From her picture, I see both of you in her.
Bob Johnson

Bob Johnson - April 30 at 12:27 PM



“ Scott, Lorena, Brad & family- Todd and I are so sorry for your loss. Kaitlin was a special person who touched a lot of lives and had a passion for life. We hope you can feel the love that so many have for your family.

Todd & Sara Broers - April 30 at 10:59 AM



“ Lorena, I am so very sorry for your loss.

Susan Jarnagin - April 30 at 10:55 AM



“ Oh, Scott I am so sorry for your loss. I will be thinking about you in your time of need

Dave Kranz

David Kranz - April 30 at 09:30 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



April 30 at 08:43 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Kaitlin Marie Bergan.



April 29 at 11:44 PM