

Obituary

Kristine was born November 21, 1968 in Saint Paul, Minnesota to Diane and John (Dick) Casey. Kris grew up in Prior Lake, Minnesota with her three siblings. She enjoyed reading, boating and was very active in sports. Kris graduated from Prior Lake High School in 1987. She later attended college at Saint Benedict in Saint Joseph, Minnesota and graduated with a Russian history degree in 1991.

After college Kris moved to Saint Cloud and commuted to Saint Paul where she worked in the financial insurance industry. She later met Brad Krenz through a friend and they were married on February 16, 2001. Brad and Kris made the decision shortly after they were married to move to Wheaton to pursue their dreams of being business owners. They shortly after bought Whaley Excavating in 2001, which Brad still owns to this day.

After getting settled on the Krenz family farm that Brad grew up on, they welcomed their first born daughter, Katherine, into this world on February 25, 2002. On January 16, 2004, they had their second child, Joey. Kris made her children her entire world. Those that knew her, knew how fiercely and strongly she loved her children. She brought this love into the Wheaton community, volunteering at Pearson Elementary and later she went on to be a school board member for 10+ years. She was always looking to fill her plate with more, leading her to apply for the position of Wheaton city administrator, which she held up until she got diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer in 2017. Kris's strength and passion to survive throughout her cancer journey was admirable and she will be remembered for her strength.

Kris is survived by her husband Brad Krenz; daughter Katherine Krenz; son Joseph Krenz; father John (Dick) Casey; sister Lorie (Jack) Schlichting; brother Jim (Karin) Casey; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Kris is preceded in death by her mother Diane Casey and brother Steve Casey.

In Loving Memory Of



Kristine Ann Krenz

November 21st 1968 - August 21st 2026



“Even though I walk
through the darkest
valley, I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me”
Psalm 23:4



In Memory Of Kristine Ann Krenz

Date of Birth
November 21st, 1968

Entered Into Rest
August 21st, 2026

Mass of Christian Burial

11 am, Thursday, August 27th, 2026
Ave Maria Catholic Church in Wheaton, MN.



*“This is the recipe of life
said my mother
as she held me in her arms as I wept
think of those flowers you plant
in the garden each year
they will teach you
that people too
must will
fall
root
rise
in order to bloom”*