



Catherine Campano

May 20, 1939 - April 17, 2023

Catherine Campano, 83

Faith Works, "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

Catherine Campano was born in Wilksburg, PA, on May 21, 1939. She had a strong faith and loved her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She peacefully entered Heaven's gates on April 17, 2023. She put her faith first in all she did. Cathy had an unwavering faith in God.

Her life's passion was her family, friends, and serving others. She devoted much of her time to serving others. She opened her home to homeless people, foster children, and the housing of the elderly. She worked as a financial secretary at the East Liberty Health Care Center for over 30 years, covering people in prayer and telling them about Jesus. She established Animal Full Life Rescue in Wilksburg, rescuing abandoned and abused animals in 1997.

Cathy is survived by four children: Debbie (Billy) Keegan; Diana (William) Diveglia; Dana (Michael) Futrell; and Joseph (Michelle) Fishell.

Nine loving grandchildren: Michael (Crystal) Beichner; Russell Query; Patrick Keegan; Julia (Jon) Emrock; Anthony (Mattie) Diveglia; Anna (Mark) Hamett; Benjamin Fishell; Hunter Fishell; and Mason Fishell.

Nine beautiful great-grandchildren: Nathan Beichner; Paige Beichner; Brayden Query; Jack Diveglia; Elliot Diveglia; Jocelyn Emrock, Maria Emrock; Josephina Emrock; and Archer Hamett.

One sister: Margaret Lupine, Oakmont, PA.

Her friend and doctor, David Hall, cared for her throughout her sunset years.

The family gives him and his wife Susie their greatest gratitude. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Animal Full Life Rescue, 906 Ramsey St. Wilkinsburg, PA 15221

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, April 29, from 1-3 pm, with a service at 1:30pm at the Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd.; 930 Center Ave, Pgh, Pa, 15238 (Blawnox), www.thomasmithfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home and Crematory Ltd.
930 Center Avenue
Blawnox, PA 15238

Funeral Ceremony

APR **29**. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Catherine Campano*

October 09, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ *Catherine Campano*

October 06, 2023 at 11:36 AM



“ *Deepest condolences to Cathy’s family and closest friends during this time of her passing.*

I had the pleasure of meeting Cathy in 2021. Her and I immediately connected through our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Although it was short, I always enjoyed my time spent with her. She was very kind and encouraging to me.

She would often call to check on me and uplift me in prayer.

I will be forever grateful for God crossing our paths.

Rest in peace Cathy ❤️

May the peace and comfort of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your family and friends during this time of mourning.

-Amber Russell

Amber Russell - April 19, 2023 at 06:00 PM

EC

Cathy and I worked together and became friends. We shared a love of being Italian and Gorgonzola cheese and Kalamata olives. Sharing our love for Jesus was the most important thing about our friendship. She loved God and all of His creation. I'm happy she made it home to have joy and peace eternally. My prayers are with her loving family. God bless you.

Evaleen Cook (Evie)

Evaleen Cook - April 21, 2023 at 05:42 PM

SJ

“ *During my family stationed (2011-2016) in Pittsburgh i rescued animals and came across Cathy. One day my friend Sue Kozub and me collected a SUV full of cat donations and brought it to her and received a breathtaking and wonderful tour thru her houses. Cathy had such a big and pure heart like no other for humans and animals alike. During the years she always send me letters and we stayed in contact till we got stationed overseas in 2018. Cathy will live on thru the wonderful rescue she created. My deepest condolences to her family during this heartbreaking time 🙏!*



Sandra Johnson - April 19, 2023 at 03:15 PM

SS

Cathy was a wonderful, kind human being. She touched so many lives with her selflessness and her love of God. She will be greeted by many at heavens gate. God bless you Cathy for all you did here on earth .

Sandy DeCarlo Souilliard - April 19, 2023 at 04:19 PM

MB

I am so very devastated to hear of Cathy's passing. She definitely was an angel here on earth and will join the other angels in heaven. I have known Cathy for a very long time. Her love for the animals was beyond dedication of rescuing the cats and dogs. She loved them all. I brought in a very feral cat off the street in Brookline and wow, was he feral. I knew how old the cat was (only one year), so Cathy told me to get him a girlfriend no more than 2 years older than him as she didn't have any that would work with him. Well, I did get a female 2 years older who needed adopted. The first week she had a scratch above her eye. Then the next day he had a scratch above his. Has been 4 years years and they are best buds! They love each other. Thank you Cathy for your expert advice and love for all the years of taking care of the speechless. Rest In Peace my friend.

Marti Blake - April 19, 2023 at 04:57 PM

RC

“*So sorry to hear of Catherine's passing. We shared many memories. She, Janine and I worked together helping cats for years earlier in our work. She was dedicated to compassion all through life, then as now. Cathy worked hard to help animals well beyond the time most rescue/caregivers would think it time to rest. She and I laughed together so many times. We cried together too. In more recent years our conversations were on the phone. She seemed as unstoppable as ever. Cathy Campano was a truly remarkable person. People and animals have lost someone not replaceable. May she now rest in peace.*

rise chontos - April 19, 2023 at 02:30 PM

KM

“ i've known cathy for many years and visited her facilities many times to talk with her and hang out with the dogs. she was a true rescuer before rescue was even a "thing." she helped soooo many dogs and cats in her lifetime, many of them considered "unadoptable," but not in her eyes; she saw through their fear and, at times, aggression, and they sensed her compassion, love, and caring. i'll surely miss her, but i know her rescue will continue just as she wanted and had planned.

Kathy Marino - April 19, 2023 at 02:21 PM

DJ

“ Being in cat rescue, I had the privilege of knowing Cathy for many years! I was helping her one day and a young girl knocked on her door stating she and friends were working on their house and didn't have any food, did Cathy have any to give her? Cathy asked her to wait and came back with snacks and two liters of soda. The girl thanked her and left. I asked Did you know her? No, and she went back to her tasks. A beautiful thing and certainly not an isolated incident with that pure heart! A dear person in spite of not having an easy life and working very hard. Now enjoying a well-deserved rest with Jesus and the thousands of animals she saved! Miss you always, lady! Hope they have Dunkin Donuts Coffee up there -- she always said AFLR ran on Dunkin!
Diane & Susan/Kopy Kat Sanctuary

Diane Johnson - April 19, 2023 at 02:04 PM