



## Kelly Riggs

July 2, 1964 - August 19, 2024

Kelly S. Riggs, 60, of Hebron, IL, passed away suddenly Monday, August 19, 2024 at her residence.

She was born in Elmhurst, Illinois on July 2, 1964, a daughter of the late Fran (Rix) and Richard Riggs.

She was a graduate of Irving Crown High School in Carpentersville, IL in 1982.

She worked as a senior paraprofessional at Follett School Solutions in McHenry, IL, for 25 years.

Kelly was with the Hebron-Alden-Greenwood Fire Protection District for over 20 years, attended Hebron Public Library meetings for two years, loved photography and cross stitch.

Survivors are two sons Wayne (Rose) Andersen and Shawn Andersen, both of Hebron, IL; four brothers Kirby Riggs, Steven (Melanie) Riggs, Patrick (Jesrelyn) Riggs and Cameron Riggs. She was preceded by her parents and her companion of 30 years, Robert McGrath, in 2022.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. Saturday Aug. 24, 2024 until the service at 1:00

p.m. at Ehorn-Adams Funeral Home 10011 Main St., Richmond.

Family request donations to Hebron Public Library 9908 St. Albans St.  
Hebron, IL 60034 or Hebron-Alden-Greenwood Fire Protection District 12302  
IL. Route 173 PO Box 345 Hebron, IL 60034.

For information, please visit [www.ehornadams.com](http://www.ehornadams.com) or call 815 678-7311.

# Cemetery Details

## Linn-Hebron Cemetery

Hillside Road  
Hebron, IL 60034

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 24.** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Ehorn-Adams Funeral Home (Richmond)  
10011 N Main St  
PO Box 375  
Richmond, IL 60071  
(815) 678-7311  
[bruce@ehornadams.com](mailto:bruce@ehornadams.com)  
<http://www.ehornadams.com>

## Funeral Service

**AUG 24.** 1:00 PM (CT)

Ehorn-Adams Funeral Home (Richmond)  
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Richmond, IL 60071  
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# Tribute Wall

JM

“ I know I’m kinda late, but just found out about Kellys death. I want to send my condolences to her family, as I was married to the late Greg Meindl who he and his family grew up next door to her and her family. I met her when I started dating Greg, and she was always very sweet. Gregs mom and her mom Franny (as we called her) were friends as Gregs younger brother Joel and her younger brother Cameron. Kelly and her mom sang at our wedding during the ceremony and were fabulous! Kelly showed up to Gregs memorial which I was very surprised and grateful. I’m so sorry to hear she left us so soon, as we chatted for a bit and it was great to see her again. God Bless..

*Jeanne Meindl*

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**jeanne meindl** - November 09, 2024 at 09:41 PM

KH

“ Kelly was a joy to work with. During Covid she was in charge of making sure everyone in the office was doing well. I always enjoyed talking to her when she would check in on me. We had some really good conversations. She always had a smile on her face and a friendly hello when I would see her in the building. She will be missed.

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**Kathy Holtz** - August 21, 2024 at 06:17 PM

RH

“ I'm hesitant to post another memory of Kelly that's work-related as we're all so much more than the work we do, but the fact of the matter is that's how I knew Kelly...and the memory of her that I (and many others here at Follett) have is above & beyond the job Kelly was paid to do.

*Kelly led our company's First Aid Team for more years than I can remember. It's an unofficial role, but you'd never have known that judging by Kelly's care, concern, and dedication. And as a company with more than 600 team members on site, it's not uncommon that personal medical issues arise from time to time...and whenever they did, there was Kelly with her team, caring for their co-worker and, when necessary, calming them as they awaited the arrival of our local paramedics.*

*Happily, we're situated only a little over a mile from the hospital and McHenry's EMTs are always quick to respond when needed, but the immediate care and concern that Kelly and her team provided was always their co-worker's crucial first step to recovery.*

*Kelly will be missed...but she mattered very, very much while she was with us and I can think of no higher praise.*

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**Rob Heiser** - August 21, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kelly Riggs.*



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August 21, 2024 at 10:52 AM



“ *Your Follett Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kelly Riggs.*

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**Your Follett Family.** - August 21, 2024 at 10:52 AM

RS

“ I was blessed and honored to know Kelly for a short 20 years. She welcomed me into her life when I was a transplant to the area, whether it was at the Hebron FD pig roast or a bonfire at her place, and more recently, street dances for Hebron and its great library. She allowed glimpses into her well lived life, sharing stories of her and her mom setting off alarms at the store, spilling homemade barbecue sauce in her car, going round and round in a parking garage with her girls, the joys (or "joys") of planning a vacation with her Bob--as well as the vacation itself, the joy she had on her face talking about Belize or anything historic for that matter, her joy and purpose with organizing the library, the pride she showed for her brother, and the love she has for Wayne and Shawn. As much as she claimed to be "mean, rotten, and awful", we all know that was far from the truth. She was straightforward and didn't put up with nonsense. There wasn't enough time to do all the things, so b.s. had no room in her life.

She took nearly all aspects of her life and made sure there were no boundaries with her knowledge, love, sense of adventure, and compassion. Everyone can see how her life overlapped in so many areas. Kelly did so much for family, friends, and herself. Her life and how she lived embodied what most of us only dream of. She hit her stride early and did her best to never forget how to live when other things in life happened/got in the way.

Follett was where I knew Kelly best. She worked hard. She appreciated and welcomed challenges and learning. Even when there were hard times at work and many questioned why we work so hard, she couldn't find it within her to not work hard. I'm thankful she knew how to play hard too, because work is not everything in life. She made sure work was fun: helping to plan group gatherings, making sure we're all safe, and the biggest remembrance I can think of to honor her at work for fun is to celebrate international talk like a pirate day on September 19th. Arrr

I will miss her flamingo lawn posts--her humor is unmatched. I will miss her face and finger hugs, her laughter and the full body excitement she got when she shared her life's passions, seeing her eyes light up when she saw the people she cared about. In all the

*different ways she expressed herself to all of us, Kelly will live on.*



**Rebecca Sage** - August 21, 2024 at 10:07 AM

SB

*Rebecca, what a wonderful tribute. ❤️*

**Sheri Bodoh** - August 24, 2024 at 04:56 PM

CB

“ *Christine B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kelly Riggs.*

**Christine B.** - August 21, 2024 at 01:30 AM

WR

“ *With heavy hearts,Patrick and Lynn Riggs purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Kelly Riggs.*



**With heavy hearts,Patrick and Lynn Riggs** - August 20, 2024 at 05:30 PM

WR

“ *With heavy hearts,Patrick and Lynn Riggs planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kelly Riggs.*

**With heavy hearts,Patrick and Lynn Riggs** - August 20, 2024 at 05:30 PM



“ *Garden of Sweet Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Kelly Riggs.*



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August 20, 2024 at 05:04 PM



“ *Shawn M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kelly Riggs.*

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**Shawn M.** - August 20, 2024 at 05:04 PM