



Jennifer A. Ketola

November 14, 1977 - February 4, 2019

Jennifer Ann Ketola

41, of Crystal Falls, MI passed away on Monday, February 4, 2019 at her home after a hard fought battle with cancer. She was the unforgettable wife of Josh Ketola and mother of Jonnie and Cecelia Ketola.

Jen was born November 14, 1977 in Iron Mountain, daughter of Jon and Karen (Robarge) Willman. She graduated from Forest Park High School with the class of 1996. Jen attended Northern Michigan University and Grand Valley State University. On July 6, 2002 she was united in marriage with her high school sweetheart, Josh Ketola. Jen worked as a cosmetologist in salons in Dickinson and Iron County before realizing her dream of owning her own salon in Crystal Falls. In her spare time she enjoyed camping, boating and spending time with friends and family, especially at the Michigamme Reservoir. Jen also had a great love for the community of Crystal Falls, as shown by her excitement for renovating her Halla Hair Design shop on Main Street, her passion for the Contemporary Center and involvement with various other organizations. Her zest for life and shining personality not only brightened the room but will leave lasting memories to all that were blessed enough to know her. Jen's special gift was the giving of her time and talents to help others.

Jennifer is survived by her husband, Josh; two daughters, Jonnie and Cecelia;

her mother, Karen Willman of Crystal Falls; three brothers, Tim (Maribel Palilio) Willman of Kodiak, Alaska, Chris (Julia) Willman of Crystal Falls and Michael (Shawn Houle) Willman of Coos Bay, Oregon; grandmother, Muriel Willman of Crystal Falls. She is also survived by her father and mother-in-law, Philip and Peggy Ketola of Crystal Falls; brother-in-law, Jordan (Jen) Ketola of Crystal Falls; sister-in-law, Leanna (Steve) Masar of Sobieski, WI; grandmother-in-law, Nancy Heimerl of Crystal Falls; nieces, Fynnly and Marleigh Ketola and Minna Masar; nephews, Haydon Masar and River Houle. She is further survived by numerous uncles, aunts, cousins and close friends.

Jennifer was preceded in death by her father Jon Willman.

A celebration of her life will take place from 1:00-4:00 pm Friday, February 8, 2019 at the Fortune Lake Bible Camp Chapel. Memorial services will follow at 4:00 pm Friday at the Fortune Lake Bible Camp Chapel. Pastor Peter Warmanen will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to METAvivor, Inc. or the Crystal Falls Contemporary Center.

Condolences to the family of Jennifer Ketola may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 8. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Fortune Lake Bible Camp Chapel
138 Fortune Lake Camp Rd.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Memorial Service

FEB 8. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AM

“ To everyone in Jen's family and friends, I am so very sorry for your loss. Jen was such a bright shining light in this world. I had the honor of getting to know her as one of her clients and also as a breast cancer patient. We had lots of talks about Metastatic Breast cancer and her passion for spreading the word and finding a cure. She was an amazing young woman who will be miss by all. God bless all of you. Anne Maesaka



Anne Maesaka - February 09, 2019 at 10:00 AM

KA

“ Josh and family,
I keep praying the care and love of those around you help to find healing peace. Words fall short with the tremendous loss of Jen.

"What is lovely never dies, but passes into another lovliness"....
That saying seems to fit her perfectly.
God Bless you, Kathi Phillips

Kathi - February 08, 2019 at 11:06 PM

LC

“ I had the privilege to meet Jen at the Metastatic Breast Cancer Retreat in November. Even though we spent just 3-4 days together, we had an instant connection as did all of us at the retreat. She was very excited to meet others who had the same illness as her to share her hopes, dreams, and fears. She talked lovingly about her wonderful husband, family and friends and the great support system she had. But mostly she talked about her ‘girls’. So much love and concern for them. Words cannot convey how sorry I am for your loss. I knew her for such a very, very short time, but in that time I could see what a truly special person she was. May God’s peace surround you and give you comfort during this difficult time.

Linda Carlson

Linda Carlson - February 08, 2019 at 08:41 PM

DS


“ Words can not express how much I will miss my friend and hairdresser. My heart is heavy at this sad time. May God be with the Ketola family at this most difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I know Jen is an Angel and watching over all of us! We will be together again!
With Sincere Sympathy,
Deborah Serbentas

deborah serbentas - February 08, 2019 at 06:59 PM

DM

“ Thinking of you all at this very sad and difficult time. May the wonderful memories of Jen live in your hearts forever❤️🙏❤️Mike and Donna Masar

Donna and Mike Masar - February 08, 2019 at 05:16 PM

 Larry
Ketola

“ I did not see Jen too often. But when I did, she always said hello with her smile that lit up the room. We would like to express our love and prayers to Josh and family. God bless you.

Larry and Ann Ketola

Larry Ketola - February 08, 2019 at 10:59 AM

SJ

“ We would like to send you and your family our deepest and most sincere sympathy. May the soul of Jen rest in peace.



Serio & Jodi - February 07, 2019 at 11:06 PM

 Sara
Thorp

“ Jennifer and I never met, but I did spend some childhood years with her dad and mom at Forest Park. Karen and I are cousins.

My heart goes out to the entire family.

Sara Thorp - February 07, 2019 at 06:19 PM



“ Our sincere condolences to Jen's family. She will be missed greatly by not only her family but the whole community.
Carol and Dave Sherby

David Sherby - February 07, 2019 at 01:49 PM

DC

“ Deepest condolences to your family in your time of sorrow. We are praying God will give you peace and strength during this difficult time.

*Mike and Donna Cline
Grace Presbyterian - Sagola*

Donna Cline - February 07, 2019 at 10:46 AM

BG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. When I was living back home for a short time, I was so blessed to get to know Jen as an adult. She was always smiling and laughing, and we shared such good times. God bless you all.

Barbi Stachowicz-Galarno

Barbi Galarno - February 07, 2019 at 08:33 AM

TB

We are so sorry for your loss she was a such a sweetheart sending love and prayers to you all Larry and tammy bicigo

Tammy bicigo - February 07, 2019 at 09:46 AM

PW

“ So sorry to learn of Jenn's passing. Her smile, energy, and spirit will be remembered by all who knew her. Pattii Waldo

pattii Waldo - February 07, 2019 at 03:47 AM

MI

“ Jen was sunshine on earth. She was warm and radiant. Her smile was infectious, as well as, her joyous personality. Over the last 16 years, as she cared for my hair, we shared many stories of my children and hers. She may be gone, but she will be with us always in the beautiful daughters she shared with all of us. Words cannot express the sorrow I feel at this time. My prayers are with her family.

Michele - February 06, 2019 at 11:41 PM

DK

“ Diane King lit a candle in memory of Jennifer A. Ketola



Diane King - February 06, 2019 at 11:10 PM

DK

Jen was a shining light to all who knew her. I was blessed to have known her for 13 years when she cut my hair. We shared things about Jonnie and my grandson as they were only two months apart in age. I always enjoyed hearing what Jonnie and Cece were doing. I enjoyed sending her homemade cards and then found out how the girls looked forward to see them. Then I started sending cards to them too. I will continue to send cards to the girls. To all of Jen's family please know you will be in many prayers and on the minds of friends for a long time and I hope you will be lifted up by knowing that. Diane

Diane King - February 06, 2019 at 11:24 PM

PR

“ Our thought and prayers are with you and your family. We are glad we got to see Jennifer and her girls at Muriel's party. Jennifer was always such a sweetheart. Muriel we are thinking of you and your family. We can't make the service . Love, Jack and Pat Richtig

Pat Richtig - February 06, 2019 at 08:11 PM

KC

“ Karen and family, I am so sorry to hear of Jen's passing. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Jen could make anyone smile just by her own contagious smile and her personality. She will be missed and not forgotten. Know the Lord and Jon will take good care of her until you all meet again. Love, prayers and sympathy to you.

Kim Curtis

Kim Curtis - February 06, 2019 at 07:51 PM

AW

“ To the Willman and Ketola families, We are so sorry to hear of Jen's passing. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. May your wonderful memories comfort you. Jen was a wonderful person and her smile could light up a room. She will be greatly missed by all who knew & loved her.

Sincerely, Doug and Ann Wagner

Ann Wagner - February 06, 2019 at 07:38 PM

CC

Our hearts and sympathy go out to Jen's family and all who knew her. Cousin to Josh- Cheri (Hanttula) and Brian Cook. Wish we could be there to celebrate her life and be with you tomorrow.

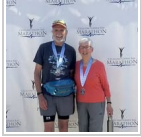
Cheri Cook - February 07, 2019 at 08:37 PM

PR

“ Pat Richtig lit a candle in memory of Jennifer A. Ketola



Pat Richtig - February 06, 2019 at 06:58 PM



“ *I was one of Jen’s clients. I knew your family only through chats as she cut my hair. She was a darling young woman and I know is going to be deeply missed by lots of people you probably don’t even know. I’m one of them. My thoughts are with you in this sad time. May the memories be sweet!*



Jan Rubens - February 06, 2019 at 05:25 PM

VN

“ *Dear Phil & Peggy, I'm so sorry for the loss of your daughter. I'll pray for the Holy Spirit to draw her family close for comfort.*

valerie m novak - February 06, 2019 at 03:09 PM