



## Diane K. Kovach

October 2, 1946 - December 16, 2024

Diane K. Kovach, age 78 of Toledo, OH, passed away peacefully on December 16, 2024, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio.

She was born to John and Elsie Kovach on October 2, 1946. She was a graduate of Central Catholic High School, Class of 1964 and later received her Bachelor's Degree from Mary Manse College in Education. She began teaching 2nd grade at St. Hedwig grade school and also worked for the Toledo Public Schools. She taught Special Education at Spring, Chase, LaGrange and Whittier schools, until the time of her retirement after 30 years.

Diane was a longtime member of St. Catherine of Siena Parish. She will always be remembered during family holidays for asking "what can I bring?" If you told her just to come, she always made something. She would say "you must need something" so she would make her Jello with marshmallow desert. She had a deep love for each of her dachshunds, Max, Rudy and Ziggy.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Michael Kovach and her twin sister, Ann Wales. She is survived by her brother-in-law, Randy Wales; niece, Rebecca Simonski; nephew, Michael Wales and special cousin, Barbara Liwo.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 4555 N. Haven

Ave, Toledo, OH 43612, on Friday, December 20th at 11:00 a.m. where the family will begin greeting guests at 10:00 a.m. Interment will be private.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to St. Catherine of Siena Church or to the Toledo Area Humane Society. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Catherine of Siena Church  
4555 N Haven Ave  
Toledo, OH 43612

## Funeral Ceremony

DEC 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Catherine of Siena Church  
4555 N Haven Ave  
Toledo, OH 43612

# Tribute Wall

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“Diane was very special to our family. When we adopted twins 11yrs ago they were 3yrs old and soon after she became their “unofficial aunt Diane” sending cards or stopping by with something for the kids We can’t find the words to express how much she meant to our family or how much we will miss seeing her and her walking her beloved dogs. Rest in peace our dear friend. Michael and family we have been so blessed to have had Diane be apart of our lives, she spoke often of you and loved you very much. Thank you for all you did over the years for her, she was proud of all of you.

Coleen and Mary Lou - December 26, 2024 at 03:38 PM

KL

“Diane was a wonderful person, who will be sorely missed. Di (and Annie) were the sisters my father never had. I know that he loved Diane very much and that my mother cherishes the special relationship she had with Di. I hope the peace of the Christmas season and its promise of the Resurrection give you comfort.

Karl Liwo - December 19, 2024 at 01:12 PM



“Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Diane K. Kovach.



December 19, 2024 at 08:09 AM

TM

“ I met Diane when she volunteered with our parish St. Vincent de Paul. She was so kind and sweet and I loved talking with her and checking in with her whenever I would see her. Her quiet demeanor was so calming to those around her and loved hearing her Ziggy stories! Diane was very kind to my daughter Emily on several occasions and loved keeping up with what was going on with her. She will be missed.

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**Tania Manner** - December 18, 2024 at 07:00 AM

CG

“ Di was the first special education teacher I met and worked with at Whittier. She always had a good attitude and caring manner with her students and all the teachers she worked with at Whittier. A warm and gentle person as a friend and listener.

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**Caren Ganzert** - December 17, 2024 at 03:05 PM

MB

“ Di was such a warm and caring teacher at Whittier. RIP my friend.  
Mary Barger

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**Mary Barger** - December 17, 2024 at 01:23 PM

SE

“ Rest in Peace, my friend. Caring thoughts and prayers for the entire Wales family. Sharon Eick

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**Sharon Eick** - December 16, 2024 at 03:29 PM