



## Cathy Vincent

October 15, 1946 - June 4, 2025

Cathryn Louise Knoblock Vincent, went home to her beloved Lord and Savior on June 4, 2025. She was born in Chicago, Illinois to Frank Brian, Sr. and Louise Lillian (Moses) Knoblock.

She married Walter Warren Vincent on August 15, 1992. He preceeded her in death on May 19, 2013.

She is survived by:

Step daughter: Shelly Hoppe (Walter) of Cocoa, Florida.

Five grandsons: John Guseman and Katie. Jimmy Guseman, Joey Guseman, Gus Vincent, A.J. Vincent

Great grandchildren: Jaycee Guseman, Sunny Guseman, Lexie Vincent, Cayden Vincent, Dylan Vincent.

Step grandchild: Jack

She is also survived by very dear nieces; Susan Keech (Kelly) of Coweta, Oklahoma. Vickie Guerra (Luciano) of Mission, Texas, Beth Ann Kinton (Keith) of Aurora, Illinois, Jennifer Knoblock of Rockford, Illinois and Cindy Knoblock of Crown Point, Indiana.

Very close special friends also survive her, Jamsie Hurt, Chuck Nash of

Jacksonville, Illinois and Marion Dramin from the Villages in Florida.

A very close cousin Chary Peterson (Tom) from Florida.

Preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, Oldest brother, Dr. Frank B. Knoblock Jr. , David Knoblock, two sister-in-laws, Mary Knoblock, Britt Marie Knoblock.

She attended public school and special education classes in her early education in Lisle, Illinois. She completed high school at the Illinois School for the Deaf. She attained her BA degree at Gallaudet University in Washington DC. She secured an MSW Degree at the University of Illinois Chicago Circle and later secured 30 post graduate hours.

Cathryn's professional career entailed brief stints at the Wheaton County Connaissance Home in Wheaton, Illinois and at the Northville Psychiatric Hospital in Northville, Michigan. The majority of her career was at the Illinois School for the Deaf where she worked her way up the ranks from social work trainee to School Administrator. Her first love was working with deaf children and their families.

Cathryn held the distinction of being the very first woman president of the Illinois Association of the Deaf. This position was used to be politically active to work with the state legislature to pass several laws to improve the lives and rights of deaf and hard of hearing people. She testified many times before the house, senate and joint sessions as well as working alongside with legislators. She served 1 ½ terms until her mother's health issues needed her full attention.

Cathryn and Warren cherished their church family at Liter Baptist Church in Literberry, Illinois. Always looked forward to worshiping and participating in

activities. Cathryn also cherished her church family at Arrow Heights Baptist church in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and volunteered whenever possible. She treasured the preaching of the Gospel at both churches.

Donations may be sent to Liter Baptist church as requested for the new sanctuary fund.

Arrow Heights donations may be sent and designated for their missions fund and to get the gospel of Jesus Christ out there.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **6**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Arrow Heights Baptist Church  
3201 S. Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

## Celebration of Life

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Liter Baptist Church  
2264 Chestnut Street  
Literberry, IL 62651

# Tribute Wall

JF

“ *Joan Forney and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Cathy Vincent.*



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**Joan Forney and Family** - June 19, 2025 at 12:02 PM

JF

“ *My sincere condolences to Cathy's family. Cathy was a beloved social worker at the Illinois School for the Deaf for many years. She counseled numerous students over the years. Cathy was a good friend to many and often provided counsel and support to many of us.*

*Sincerely, Joan Forney*

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**Joan Forney** - June 13, 2025 at 12:23 PM

EP

“Cathy Vincent is a sweet lady, glad to met her through our Deaf Battle Creek church we need to use Arrow Height Baptist church for Bible Study on Wednesdays for 2 years! We became good friends and I was willing to bring her most of the time on Wednesdays and bring her to various deaf community events such as going to Oklahoma Baptist Conference for the Deaf one weekend in Broken Arrow. Also sometimes we go shopping together or go out for lunch. I really enjoyed talking with her and listening to her past life story about Gallaudet University, we are proud Alumni of Gally and I learned that we were Delta Epsilon Sorority sisters in different times. I always love to come see her and visit her and listen to her story of living on a farm, in a small town, supporting her country church. She doesn't mind if I call her Grandma. She reminds me of my grandma who passed away in 2018.

Also, she always gives me advice about deaf leadership and how to work with deaf children, because I have served 6 years for the Oklahoma Association for the Deaf. She understands my situation as a Deaf Teacher and working with Deaf students at Tulsa Public Schools. I already miss her and her many many conversations and I'm glad I invited her to come to my baptism at our Pastor Christopher House which was 3 years ago.

She always shares the gospel and reads the bible with me when I come to visit her house

She has a lot of humor sense and loves to make people laugh.

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**Emma Pruitt** - June 06, 2025 at 06:01 PM

MM

That's a beautiful tribute to your friend Emma. Thank you for sharing

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**Mary McParland** - June 06, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - June 06, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Vincent family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Cathryn.*

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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - June 04, 2025 at 12:07 PM