



Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg

January 10, 1930 - February 19, 2023

Christa von der Kettenburg was born in Düsseldorf, Germany on January 10, 1930, and passed away in Conroe, Texas, on February 19, 2023.

Coming to the US at the tender age of 18, newly married, and having 3 children in 3 years was a difficult journey for anyone. She learned to speak, read, and write English. She made meals out of practically nothing and sewed the kid's clothes plus her own. In her early days, Chris was an ice dancer. She had her grandson, Mark, on the ice at an early age along with her granddaughter, Christie. She made all her own costumes plus many of the ones they wore. Chris was always the life of any party. She made each and every holiday special with her fabulous meals, German traditions, and champagne. There was always something to toast— be it a good grade, an Astros win, buying a new shirt; it didn't matter to Chris. Celebrating life was what she did best. Her table decorations were so creative and she could fold a napkin into anything she wanted it to be. She loved music and the opera. She loved sports. She loved Fox News. She started making Christmas cookies in October so her family could be treated to the most awesome treats during the holidays. Nobody could make a chicken noodle soup like she did; even if you didn't feel bad, after you ate the soup, you felt so much better.

Chris was preceded in death by her husband, Peter von der Kettenburg; daughter, Suzy Plympton; and the father of her children, Robert F. Plympton.

She is survived by her son Michael (Jeannette) Plympton of Tomball, Tx.; daughter Karen (Vince) Milano of The Woodlands, Tx.; son Kim, Sr. (Toni) Plympton of Spring, Tx., and brother Gunnar Heyne of Houston, Texas. She leaves behind 11 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and 6 great great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews, plus a host of very special friends including her closest friends, Toni & Rosi Kraus, from Germany who came every six months to visit her.

Pallbearers:

Mark Morris, James Morris, Michael Milano, Beau Groover, Chase Plympton, Kim Plympton, Jr., Brent Simpson, Barrett Ballay, and Paul Gomez

Cemetery Details

Tranquility Oaks Cemetery

22302 Hildebrandt Road
Spring, TX 77389
(281) 350-0998
<https://addisonfuneralhomes.com>

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB **23**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



February 23, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



February 22, 2023 at 02:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



February 22, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart* was purchased for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



February 22, 2023 at 12:49 PM

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“ Darryl and Jennifer Grymes purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



Darryl and Jennifer Grymes - February 22, 2023 at 12:34 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



February 22, 2023 at 07:09 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Christa Marianne von der Kettenburg.



February 21, 2023 at 09:38 PM



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February 21, 2023 at 01:21 PM