



Doris "DeeDee" Kalthoff

January 7, 1946 - April 7, 2026

Doris "DeeDee" Kay Kalthoff, age 80, of Richmond, Minnesota, passed away peacefully on April 7, 2026.

Doris was born on January 7, 1946, in Richmond, MN to Benedict and Elisabeth (Reitmeier) Thyen. She was proud to be a lifelong Richmond resident and often said she "hatched here, matched here, and was going to dispatch here." With the loving care of her devoted husband, that wish was honored.

On August 13, 1977, Doris married Florian "Flip" Kalthoff — the man she lovingly said she waited 30 years for. Together they shared 48 years of marriage filled with love, laughter, and unwavering devotion. Flip cared for Doris with deep love and commitment throughout her life.

At just seven years old, Doris contracted polio and spent time at Gillette Children's Hospital in an iron lung. She recovered using braces and canes, facing those early challenges with strength and resilience that would define her life. As an adult, she was also a breast cancer survivor. Through every hardship, DeeDee never let anything get her down. Her positive spirit, grace, and determination were an inspiration to all who knew her.

Doris was a dedicated employee of Fingerhut, where she worked for 37 years.

She took pride in her work and valued the friendships she formed there.

Everyone who knew DeeDee loved her. She had a way of making people feel seen, valued, and cared for. Her warmth, humor, and kindness left a lasting mark on her family, friends, and community.

She is survived by her loving husband of 48 years, Florian “Flip” Kalthoff; her brother, Wally (Darlene) Thyen; her twin sister, Donna (Bob) Backes; and her in laws: Agnes Thyen; Josephine (Ralph) Mohs; Marcellus (Cathy) Kalthoff; Richard Kalthoff; Anna (Paul) Deary; Marina Olmscheid; Tillie Wolske; and Marvin (Cathy) Gerads. Doris also leaves behind a large extended family of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great great-nieces and great-great-nephews, all of whom she loved and cherished — and who shared that same deep admiration for her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Benedict and Elisabeth “Betty” Thyen; her brothers, Leroy (Angie) Thyen and Roger Thyen; her sister, Mickie (Floyd) Adams; her niece, Cathy Thyen; her nephew, John Thyen; her father in law, Leo Kalthoff; her mother in law, Hildegard Kalthoff; and other in laws, Martin (Angie) Kalthoff and Marie Gerads.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:30 a.m. on Saturday April 11, 2026, at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Richmond, MN. Inurnment will be in the parish cemetery at a later date. The service will be live streamed at www.christcatholic.com.

There will be a visitation from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Friday at the Wenner Funeral Home in Richmond, MN. Visitation will continue Saturday from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Cemetery

Richmond, MN 56368

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wenner Funeral Home - Richmond
151 Oakwood Ave. SE
Richmond, MN 56368

Visitation

APR 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Richmond, Wenner Funeral Home
151 Oakwood Ave SE
Richmond, MN 56368
(320) 685-7762
office@wennerfuneralhome.com
<http://www.wennerfuneralhome.com>

Mass

APR 11. 11:30 AM (CT)

Sts Peter & Paul Catholic church
110 central ave n
richmond, mn 56368

Tribute Wall

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“Doris was one of the absolute sweetest, and fun, ladies that I have ever met. I loved having conversations with her! My condolences to all her family and friends.

L. J. Kurtz - April 30 at 12:15 PM

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“My condolences to Flip and to the rest of the family. Doris worked in the typing pool at Fingerhut when I started there, just out of tech college. She was so much fun. She could somehow complete more work than anyone while carrying on a steady conversation and she kept all of us laughing with her jokes and stories. She was a really kind and generous person who brightened the lives of everyone who knew her.

Connie Duea

Connie Duea - April 10 at 01:09 PM

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“Doris was a blessing to work with at Fingerhut. She was always friendly and kind. My thoughts and prayers to her family and friends.



Linda Tholund Schafer - April 09 at 03:47 PM



“ *Shades of Purple* was purchased for the family of Doris "DeeDee" Kalthoff.



April 08 at 10:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Doris "Dee Dee" Kalthoff.

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“ *The Royals* purchased the *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket* for the family of Doris "DeeDee" Kalthoff.



The Royals - April 08 at 10:35 PM