



## Melanie Yakima

August 12, 1944 - January 3, 2019

Age 74, of Braidwood passed away Thursday, January 3, 2019 at home surrounded by her family. Born on August 12, 1944 to the late Thompson and Lucille (nee Goenenwein) Phelps. She married Ronald Yakima on August 15, 1969 in Chicago, IL. He preceded her in death on March 31, 2001. She was a mother to all and loved taking care of others. Melanie attended the Extreme Church in Joliet, IL

Surviving are her sons, Frank Bruno of Braceville, IL and Aron (Sherry) Yakima of Wilmington, IL; daughter, TrisTara (Joseph) Diaz of Kankakee, IL; grandchildren, Jason and Jessica Bruno, Tanner McEachern, Tadan and Talin Yakima and Kaelah and Abigail Diaz; and great grandson, Landon McEachern.

Preceding her in death were her parents; brother, Tom Phelps; and sister, Patricia Phelps.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Funeral service will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 11 am with visitation beginning at 10 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name may be directed to any animal rescue of the donor's choice.

For more information please find us on Facebook.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St.  
Braidwood, IL 60408  
(815) 458-2336  
info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ 92 files added to the album Life Tributes



R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - January 11, 2019 at 10:03 AM



“ Nikki and Ray Rumpf purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Melanie Yakima.



Nikki and Ray Rumpf - January 09, 2019 at 11:00 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melanie Yakima.



January 08, 2019 at 02:31 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Melanie Yakima.*



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January 05, 2019 at 04:52 AM



“ *Im so very sorry for your loss.... Melanie was always so fun to be around and had an infectious laugh. She will be greatly missed.*

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**Shannon Brown** - January 04, 2019 at 05:22 PM