



## Maria Louisa Ann Kirchhoff

September 23, 1972 - November 25, 2017

Maria Louisa Ann Kirchhoff, 45, of Charlotte, a fighter, prayer warrior and friend to many, died Saturday, November 25, 2017 after a life long battle with health obstacles. Maria was born September 23, 1972. In 1982 she was adopted by Herbert and Karen (Midtgard) Kirchhoff. Maria graduated from Maple Valley High School and obtained an Associates Degree in Human Services from Washtenaw Community College. She later went on to work in customer service for the IRS and Meijer. Maria was one who, given all of the health challenges that she faced, never gave up. "If one way did not work she found another way to overcome her health challenges." She was a spiritual prayer warrior for many and loved reading her bible. Maria had a big heart and showed endless love for others. This led to her volunteering as a spinal cord injury peer counselor at U of M and the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living. She loved participating in crafts and painting with a brush held in her mouth. If you received one of her paintings you were especially lucky. Maria enjoyed watching the Lifetime and Hallmark Movie channels. Above all Maria adored her family. Her greatest joy in life was her daughter Kara. Watching Kara dance and grow into a beautiful young woman filled Maria's heart.

She is survived by her daughter, Kara Kirchhoff; parents, Herbert and Karen Kirchhoff; sister, Amanda (Donald) Easlick; brother, Dylan Kirchhoff; six birth siblings; nephew, Colton Easlick and niece Jacqueline Easlick. Maria is predeceased by her brother Bill Carter.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Pray Funeral Home with Rev. Eric Lison officiating. The family requests that guests wear flowers or floral print in honor of Maria. Visitation will be held Tuesday, November 28, 2017 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home, 401 W. Seminary St, Charlotte, MI 48813. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kara Kirchhoff Education Fund. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Maria on her Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **28.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

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NOV **28.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Ceremony

NOV **29.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Maria Louisa Ann Kirchhoff*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 28, 2017 at 11:16 AM

EF

*Beautiful, just like her!*

Ellie Fox - November 29, 2017 at 07:13 PM

EH

*Beautiful video! So much love in these photos.* 🧡💙

Elizabeth Heinsen - November 29, 2017 at 07:30 PM

JK

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Jill Korzenowski - September 28, 2018 at 07:15 PM

GJ

“ *I was sad to hear of Maria passing. She always had a warm loving smile.*

Glenda journey - January 07, 2024 at 05:21 AM

MS

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayer's and Hugs  
Love Brad and Mary Sivyver and Tyler*

Mary Sivyver - November 30, 2017 at 08:45 PM

BC

“ *My sincere condolences to the Kirchhoff family and all of her friends and loved ones. I was at the Kirchhoff's house when Maria first was adopted - I loved her right from the start - I was older than Maria - but only by 4 years - the day she arrived I tried to get her to swear - but she was such a sweet girl - she wouldn't do it. I will miss her even thou I wasn't able to see her recently - RIP sweet Angel, the world just got a little darker now that you are gone.*



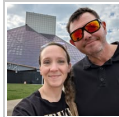
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**Bill Carnevale** - November 30, 2017 at 02:16 PM

JB

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



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**james bira** - November 29, 2017 at 12:16 AM



*Beautiful Jim*

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**Amanda Easlick** - November 29, 2017 at 06:54 PM

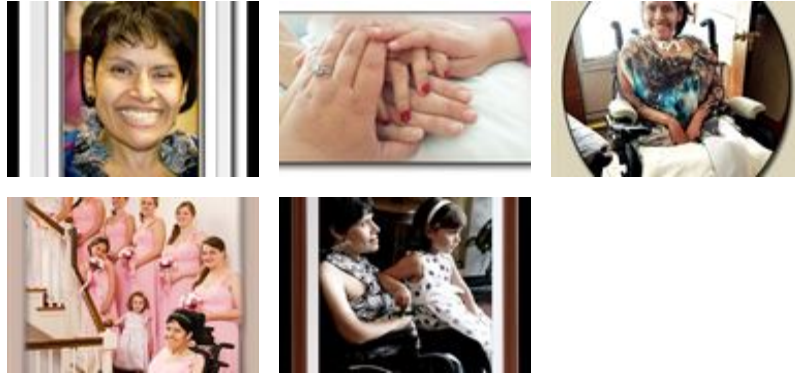
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“ *Dearest Kirchhoff family, I am so sorry for your loss. I was blessed to have known Maria when you lived in Virginia. She was a beautiful spirit, as were you in bringing her into your family. I love you. Susan Clark*

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**Susan Clark** - November 28, 2017 at 02:11 PM



“ 47 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 28, 2017 at 10:14 AM

JE

“ I remember meeting Maria at DCOC before she relocated. I was new to the church and to Michigan at the time . My son has physical challenges so I was worried that he wouldn't be accommodated due to very few modifications . She made my son and I feel comfortable, hopeful and very welcomed at DCOC. I always knew she was an extraordinary person with a beautiful, kind and loving soul . I remember how she lit up with excitement and joy when she spoke about her daughter. Kara will also be an extraordinary person having had YOU for a mother. I wish you immeasurable peace and freedom, my friend.

Jutta Edwards - November 27, 2017 at 11:39 PM

JK

“ Maria was a joy to be around--she had a smile and kind word for everyone! I did not know her well, but will always remember her. My condolences to her daughter, family, and friends. Fly free with the angels, Maria!

Jill Korzenowski - November 27, 2017 at 11:28 AM

TF

“ *Maria taught me so much about patience, kindness, thoughtfulness and so many other things. Such a dear and wonderful soul. Thoughts and prayers to Kara, Karen, Herb, Amanda, Don, Dylan, Colton and Jacqueline.* ”

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**Tammy Franks** - November 27, 2017 at 11:10 AM

BB

“ *We love you Maria. You are now flying free like a butterfly! You were a great person with a smile at all times! We will miss you* 🌺❤️ ”

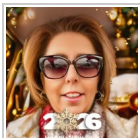
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**Barb and Matt Baldwin** - November 27, 2017 at 05:43 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Louisa Ann Kirchhoff.* ”



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November 26, 2017 at 09:55 PM



“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to Kara and family ~ I had the pleasure of working with Maria at Meijer. She was an inspiration to all, smart, caring, which I know are traits that will live on in her beautiful daughter.* ”

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**Kim Phillabaum Thompson** - November 26, 2017 at 09:11 PM

EF

“ *Maria was a beautiful soul! She and I were roommates in Ypsilanti, what feels like many moons ago now. I never heard her complain ... She always chose to make the best of every situation. An absolute joy to be around. I am saddened for our loss here but I am happy for Maria and her freedom from the physical chains that tried to confine her. My thoughts and prayers are with her loved ones.*

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**Ellie Fox** - November 26, 2017 at 09:04 PM