



Katia Elias (Muhanna) Tapio

March 23, 1952 - April 14, 2023

Katia Elias (Muhanna) Tapio, 71, of Bloomington, Indiana passed away peacefully on April 14 after a lingering illness. Katia was born in Sidon, Lebanon on March 23, 1952. She was predeceased by her parents, Elias and Rosette (Safi) Muhanna. Katia is survived by her husband Wayne, daughter Sophia and two grandsons Ian and Soren, brother Ibrahim and his children Elias, Rosie, Anthony, and Michael. Katia met her future spouse Wayne Tapio at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where they were both students, Katia studying interior design. They were married June 19, 1981 in Ann Arbor and moved to Hawaii where they lived 4 years and welcomed the birth of their daughter Sophia Rania Tapio. Later the family moved to Cyprus, Oman, and Saudi Arabia for Wayne's career, living and working overseas for 30 years. Upon returning to the US, Katia went back to university and earned a degree in graphic design technology at Eastern Michigan University. She was well-known for her gardening and crafting talents, her Lebanese culinary arts, her liveliness, curiosity, and always engaging conversation. She was a lifelong Maronite Catholic and continued to love and follow events in her beloved homeland of Lebanon.

She attended St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Bloomington and was a dear friend to many neighbors. Katia will be remembered for her goodwill and hospitality toward all. A memorial service will be held in Sayede Catholic Church, Roumeh, Lebanon on Monday April 17 at 5 pm.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37 is

handling the arrangements and online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com