



## Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN

June 14, 1962 - January 12, 2022

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the sudden and unexpected passing of Denise Sybert Gatts of Powell Ohio on January 12th at the age of 59 years. Denise was born on June 14, 1962 in Ravenna, Ohio to Dr. Robert Sybert and Dorothy Sybert. The second youngest of five children, Denise spent her formative years at Immaculate Conception grade school and ultimately graduated from Ravenna High School. Denise graduated from the Kent State University School of Nursing with a BSN in 1985. After graduation Denise was employed at Akron City Hospital. On August 29, 1987 she married Dewey Robert Gatts and moved from Ravenna to Columbus, Ohio. During the following years Denise cared for patients at The Ohio State University Hospital and Mount Carmel Hospital. For the last ten plus years Denise was employed for the Olentangy School District, working with special education students. Denise put her nursing career on hold to be a stay-at-home mother, raising their 3 children and was a second mom to many of their friends. She continued that love of caring for others by being the caregiver to both of her parents after they relocated to Powell Ohio. Denise was extremely compassionate and loved to serve others. Denise is survived by her loving husband, Dewey Robert Gatts, Sr. and three children, Dewey Robert Gatts, Jr, Cailin Marie Gatts (fiancé Drake Powers), and Coltin Jacob Gatts; sister, Cheri Ehrhorn (husband, Bill); brother, Doctor Daryl Sybert (wife, Debbie); brother, Curtis Sybert ESQ. (wife, Karen); brother, Doctor David Sybert; sister-in-law, Mary Hurley (husband, Peter); sister-in-law, Nancy Niland (husband,

Kenneth); brother-in-law, Dennis Gatts (wife, Gina). She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews along with great nieces and nephews. Loved and adored by all individuals who knew her, worked with her, or crossed paths with her, as well as her beloved dog, Wyatt Gatts. Denise was an extremely supportive and proud mother, sister, daughter and friend. Denise enjoyed sports and travel with her family as well as being a member of St Joan of Arc. Her family would like to express sincere thanks and appreciation to Denise's colleagues including the Olentangy school staff and her students, as well as her many friends from along the way. The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 8:00 pm Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 West Olentangy St. Powell, Ohio. Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell, Ohio with Entombment to follow at Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Denise's name to Olentangy Schools Special Olympics <https://gofund.me/8346687d>

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street  
Lewis Center, OH 43035

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **19**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
[info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN **20**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church  
10700 Liberty Road  
Powell, OH 43065  
<http://www.stjoanofarcpowell.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I was blessed to have known and worked with Denise at Olentangy Meadows Elementary School. Her smile brightened up my day. She was a kind and living person who will be greatly missed. Sending my deepest condolences to her family.*



**Mary Cattell** - January 22, 2022 at 10:16 AM



“ *Denise was a regular customer of our little restaurant. She always came to see us in the afternoon and was so kind and patient. We will miss her. We are deeply sorry for your loss.*

**Marylou Tope-Lin** - January 20, 2022 at 12:35 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Denise passing, I had the pleasure of working with her at Alum Creek, she was a very sweet and fun person to work with, she will be missed. I am sending prayers for your family in this hard time in your life.*  
*Susie Blessing*

**Susie Blessing** - January 19, 2022 at 09:57 PM

PD

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Gatts and Sybert families on the loss of Denise. She was a student of mine who was serious about her studies and caring about her fellow students. May she rest in peace.*

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**Peggy DiPaola** - January 19, 2022 at 04:27 PM

MF

“ *Madison Seibert and The Seibert Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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**Madison Seibert and The Seibert Family** - January 18, 2022 at 09:18 PM

MK

“ *Not everyone gets to say that they had the world's best mother but I'm sure that your mother was the best. Sorry for your valuable loss. I'm praying for you and your family dear!*

*Meryem Kemerici*

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**Meryem Kemerici** - January 18, 2022 at 08:21 PM

GF

“ *Greg Bronner and family. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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**Greg Bronner and family.** - January 18, 2022 at 02:37 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.



January 18, 2022 at 10:37 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.



January 18, 2022 at 09:20 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.



January 18, 2022 at 07:00 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.



January 17, 2022 at 09:16 AM

JE

“ Sincere feeling of sympathy for all your immediate and extended family... Bridget Niland Evanovich is my daughter in law and was so fond of her aunt. Denise brightened the room when she entered . She was loved by many. Janice and John Evanovich

Janice Evanovich - January 17, 2022 at 12:02 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.



January 16, 2022 at 09:00 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.



January 16, 2022 at 07:39 PM

JJ

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Denise's passing. I worked with her at Dodd Hall when we were both fairly new nurses. She was kind and sweet and I remember her sense of humor. Later on our paths crossed when our Boys (Dean and Colton) played ball together. And her sweet daughter Caitlin babysat for my daughter Jeri Ann. I am praying for you all in this most difficult time. I will always have fond Memories of your mom.  
Love, Janelle Janowiecki

Janelle Janowiecki - January 16, 2022 at 06:24 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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January 16, 2022 at 03:03 PM



“ *Olentangy Orange High School Family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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**Olentangy Orange High School Family** - January 16, 2022 at 12:56 PM



“ *Denise always lit up the room when she came in! She loved celebrating everyones birthdays, making her friends feel loved and cared for. She was truly an angel on this earth, and I will miss her greatly.*

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**Lainey Sigmon** - January 15, 2022 at 11:40 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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January 15, 2022 at 07:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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January 15, 2022 at 06:26 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Your mom was a sweet and caring woman who will be missed by all. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. - The Halsey's*

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**Heather Halsey** - January 15, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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January 15, 2022 at 02:19 PM



“ *KPMG CVG Team purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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**KPMG CVG Team** - January 15, 2022 at 12:45 PM

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“ *Uncle Bill and Aunt Kathy purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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**Uncle Bill and Aunt Kathy** - January 14, 2022 at 06:47 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Denise Marie Sybert Gatts, BSN, RN.*



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January 14, 2022 at 04:35 PM