

Colorado Class Championship - Kathy Schneider Memorial

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The 2026 Colorado Class Championship was held in Colorado Springs at the Hyatt Place on Garden of the God's. This year we honor Kathy Schneider, one of our friends and longtime local chess player that passed away on December 25, 2025. Her family came in town and had a memorial service and presented photographs of Kathy and a quilt made from shirts that Kathy collected with her travels all around the United States with her friend Dean Brown. We had a nice tribute with her family. Family was very important to Kathy and she did a massive amount of genealogy work. We give great thanks to Kathy's family for sponsoring the 2026 Colorado Class Championship. With Dean putting together a special prize from donations for whoever played Kathy in a rated chess game and finished with the best score would win. The prize was won by Shirley Herman.

Kathy Schneider Tribute Photos

