



# Mary Kathryn Streit

April 4, 2020

Mary Kathryn (Tussey) Streit (66) passed away quietly on April 4, 2020 surrounded by her entire family.

Kathy was born on March 30, 1954 in Kentucky. She moved to Pennsville, NJ as a child and lived there her whole life.

Kathy married the love of her life, Jeff Streit on May 7, 1977. Together, Jeff and Kathy built a home and a life around their three children, seven grandchildren, extended family, and innumerable friends.

Throughout her long illness, Kathy's faith in Jesus never wavered. She acknowledged her diagnosis with both acceptance and hope, knowing that whatever the outcome, she would be with Jesus here on Earth or in heaven. This steadfast belief was both a marvel and an inspiration to her family and friends to witness.

Kathy's love of Jesus Christ was her beacon and strength. She had a daily, intimate relationship with the Lord. She regularly hosted bible studies in her home. She was always ready to share that grace with those who needed to find their way back to Jesus or navigate a rough situation.

Kathy loved the simple, though not necessarily inexpensive, things in life. Her gardens, flowers, her Happy Place at the Jersey shore, creating a beautiful home, putting little white lights up pretty much everywhere they could go, theme parties, good food, dressing up, and generally finding a way to kick a conventional experience into something astonishing. This was nowhere more evident than as her role as Oma. Her energy and enthusiasm reached epic proportion when she poured her creative attention into making every birthday a gala, every holiday a festival, and every vacation an adventure. Her grandchildren adored her. After posting pictures of the annual "backyard camp out," several of her adult friends asked if she could be THEIR Oma. Kathy was ever-present at her children and grandchildren swim meets, baseball, soccer, flag football and basketball games, concerts, tournaments, and recitals.

Kathy is survived by her husband, Jeff Streit of Pennsville, NJ, her children, Scott and Pam (Hutchinson) Streit of Pennsville, NJ, Brian and Samantha (Pratta) Streit of Woolwich, NJ, and Jillian and Carlo Monticolo of Townsend, DE, as well as her sister, Lisa Thompson of Vero Beach, FL. Additionally she is survived by her seven grandchildren,

Logan, Scotty and Mason Streitz, Hunter and Luc Streitz, and Carlo and Gia Monticolo. As well as many beloved brother and sister in-laws, step siblings, nieces and nephews.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents, Bea (Klepfer) and Jim McGorry, her sisters Peggy Hayles and Jani Taylor as well as the parents whom she adopted, Mr. and Mrs. Mont.

The family wishes to thank Kathy's extended family and innumerable friends who shared prayers, meals, and fellowship. She treasured each and every one of these relationships. The world will be just a little less bright because of her passing, but our loss is heaven's gain. Until we meet again.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the "Mrs. Mont Pursuit of Excellence in English Scholarship." This scholarship is awarded annually to a college-bound PMHS student pursuing a career in English Education.

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A celebration of Kathy life will be held at the Sharptown United Methodist Church in Pilesgrove, NJ at a later date. Details to follow.

# Tribute Wall

Phyllis Burroughs

“ We met Kathy when she would come to visit her mom. we would visit, go out to lunch, and she would join our ladies Tuesday night bible study. She had a wonderful smile, loved to shop and visit. She was a very thoughtful and kind friend. We enjoyed having her in our home for Easter dinner before she went home with her mom. We will miss her very much. She was a blessing.  
*Roy and Phyllis Burroughs*

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**Phyllis Burroughs** - April 13, 2020 at 11:05 PM

TJ

“ Growing up on the other side of the block (with adjacent back yards) we spent a lot of time at the Streitz's home. Mrs. Streitz probably saw us as much as our own mom. I am sure it was annoying having us in her house every day, making noises and messes, but she was always gracious and kind to us. Jeff, Scott, Brian, and Jill, I and my brothers send our condolences to you. Our hearts are heavy for you as you grieve the loss of your wife/mother. She was a wonderful person and I am glad to have known her. God bless.

*Taylor Jackson*

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**Taylor Jackson** - April 13, 2020 at 03:07 PM

DM

“ Kathy and I met some 50 years ago. She was a new neighbor on Churchtown road. We'd ride past each other's house on our bikes till one day I stopped and asked her name.. from that day forward we'd be best of friends.. although we didn't go to the same schools we'd still hang out after school..and every weekend. We worked together and “Ginos “ our first jobs and had so many laughs and good times together .She was two years younger than me, but she was years wiser. She was a true believer in God and taught me many things.. especially forgiveness.. she would tell me often her faith would carry her through anything.. and it did.. she never lost faith. When she told me she had cancer.. I was a mess.. she would say to me “ dede God is going to take care of me no matter what and I have always trusted Him to do so and He will ... I will be fine” that kind of faith right up until her last breath is just remarkable .. I am so happy and blessed that I got to spend my childhood/adulthood with such an amazing loving ,kind friend..I will forever miss her smiling face,all our laughs and our long long talks..

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**dede mcaffery** - April 13, 2020 at 12:37 PM

JG

“ I was saddened to hear about Kathy going home to be with the Lord. We have great memories of her when she would come to FL to visit her Mom and bring the dog. Last time she was here, and taking her Mom back to NJ with her, we were able to laugh a lot as we watched our little Doxie and her dog jump and play together, good memories, also a great stress reliever. But I know soon we will all be reunited when we are together in heaven. I'm praying for your loss she was a great lady!!

*Jenny and Jack Gallagher*

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**Jenny Gallagher** - April 13, 2020 at 11:53 AM

TT

“ Dear Jeff and family, what a beautiful blessing Kathy was in all our lives. I will remember her beautiful smile and her laughter. We had so much fun watching the girls play softball. What a great time that was for all of us. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Hold on to each other and keep Kathy's legacy alive. In love and prayer, Terry Tancredi

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**Terry Tancredi** - April 13, 2020 at 10:35 AM

TP

“ Dear Jeff and Family,  
So sorry for your loss. Kathy was the epitome of love and grace, beautiful inside and out.

*I love her dearly and will miss her immensely. She will always be in my heart,*

*Sincerely,*

*Toni Crescenzi Pie*

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**Toni Pie** - April 13, 2020 at 09:21 AM

RT

“ TO KATHY'S FAMILY, THERE IS NO OTHER LIKE KATHY, SHE WAS SUCH A GOOD FRIEND TO ME SINCE WE WERE LITTLE GIRLS IN MY PARENTS NEIGHBORHOOD STORE. WE STAYED IN TOUCH ALL OF OUR LIVES. THERE ARE NO WORDS TO EXPRESS HOW I FEEL. BUT PLEASE KNOW THAT I CARE DEEPLY AND SHARE YOUR LOSS IN A PROFOUND WAY. WITH LOVE AND TEARS, ROBBIN JOHNSON THOMAS

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**ROBBIN JOHNSON THOMAS** - April 12, 2020 at 11:09 PM

BN

“ My condolences to the Streitz family. William Penn neighbors for many years.  
Sincerely, Barbara Norris.

Barbara Norris - April 12, 2020 at 06:57 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, Mary was a pleasure to know, I enjoyed talking to her at softball games. She will be missed, God Bless R I P,

Melvin Humphreys - April 12, 2020 at 05:59 PM

TS

“ Brian I am so sorry to hear about your loss , I offer my sincere condolences to you and your family . Thomas Strong 🙏

Thomas Strong - April 12, 2020 at 05:14 PM

JW

“ RIP Kathy. My condolences to the family. She was always very sweet to everyone.

Jane Wolff - April 12, 2020 at 04:19 PM