



## Mrs. Kathryn Hope Wilkerson

July 4, 1941 - February 19, 2022

On Saturday, February 19, 2022, Kathryn “Kathy” Hope Wilkerson of Lutherville peacefully left this world after 80 years of life, love and laughter, and is now beautifully reunited with her deceased husband of 59 years, Wilkie.

Kathy was the beloved mother of her two daughters and a son, and their spouses: Hope and John Pezzulla; Wendy and Buzzy Thomas; and Russell and Colleen Wilkerson. She was a special “Granny” to eight grandchildren: Zach Thomas, Abbey Thomas Manley (her husband Drew), and Annie Thomas (fiance’ Blane Boeri); Jack Pezzulla; Whitney, Reed, Campbell, and Walker Wilkerson; and two great grandchildren Wes and Mason Manley. And she was a cherished sister to Debbie Peterson and her husband Pete, with nephews Billy (Andrea) and Scott (Sara); and great niece Maddie.

Kathy was born in Baltimore on July 4, 1941 to Stanley and Kathryn Hope. She graduated from Notre Dame Preparatory School ('59) and attended Mt. Saint Agnes College and the University of Maryland’s School of Nursing. She was an accomplished swimmer; singer and dancer; an avid card and tennis player; and a sometimes entrepreneur, launching a left-handed accessories business. She was a volunteer at GBMC hospital, the Red Cross, and the Ruxton Ridge School. She also adored her pet dogs: Cinnamon, Bear, Cinder, and Groovy; and felines K.C., Tarheel and Callie.

What Kathy loved most in life was her family: husband, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. From sports games to school activities, and from the

sidelines to the receiving lines, she was a dedicated fan, always putting her family first. She was ever-present with a warm smile, a firm hug, and an uplifting laugh. She made every occasion a happier one. We love and miss you Mom!

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at the Church of the Nativity in Timonium, Maryland on Tuesday, March 1 at 1:00 PM. Mass will also be live streamed. Interment at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens with a graveside farewell. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Animal Rescue Inc. P.O. Box 35, Maryland Line, MD 21105, with In Memory of Kathy Wilkerson on memo line.

Live Stream link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4509890134>

# Cemetery Details

## Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens

200 E. Padonia Road  
Timonium, MD 21093  
<http://www.dulaneyvalley.com>

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

MAR 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Church of the Nativity  
20 E. Ridgely Road  
Timonium, MD 21093

# Tribute Wall

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“*Kathy, my cousin and I were very close growing up. I often stayed overnight with her and we would just talk all night. We used to climb the "willow" tree on 702 Stevenson Lane and go under the tunnel by the stream behind her house. Not to mention carving the trees! We always wanted to be next to our Grandmother (Nanny) when she drove us for snow cones. So Nanny to keep us happy would put Kathy on one side of her and me on the other and drive. I always admired Kathy as she had so many friends. May she rest in peace and join her family in Heaven. There will be a nice party there!*

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**Mary Lou Thurlow Bevvino** - February 27, 2022 at 09:24 PM