



Kathryn I. "Kathie" Beeken

December 25, 1926 - May 7, 2015

Kathryn I. "Kathie" Beeken, 88, of Naples, FL passed away peacefully Thursday, May 7, 2015 at her residence with her family by her side. Formerly of Erie, PA she moved to Bonita Springs, FL in 1981 before relocating to Naples in 2000. Kathryn was born December 25, 1926 in Waterloo, IA a daughter of the late Elvin and Ethel (Mason) Horslund.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs.

Survivors include her loving children, Jensy (Robert) Richards of Sarasota, FL, Michael (Janet) Patterson of Olympia, WA, and Melinda (Blane) Amphor of Ashburn, VA; brother, Robert Horslund of Cedar Falls, IA; sister, Doris Fritcher of Storm Lake, IA; and 5 grandchildren, Christopher Richards, Megan Patterson, Scott Patterson, Claire Amphor and Kyle Amphor. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Beeken in 1998.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at 10:30 A.M. in the Rainbow Room at the Bentley Village East Clubhouse. She will be laid to rest beside her husband at the Rose Garden at First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Conservancy of

Southwest Florida, 1495 Smith Preserve Way, Naples, FL 34102 or by visiting
<https://www.conservancy.org/donate>

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs Rose Garden

9751 Bonita Beach Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Tribute Wall



“ Kathryn I. "Kathie" Beeken

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ Dear Mike, Jency and Linda. I am so sorry for the loss of your wonderful mother. I well remember the week we spent in Denmark and how happy she was to find to visit her ancestral homeland. Her smiling eyes were a true gift to all who met her.

Kevin Kraus, Bethesda, Maryland - May 11, 2017 at 03:10 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Kathie and wanted to share some very positive memories I have of her. She was so kind to us when we visited her and Bill (my late grandad) in Pennsylvania and Florida. She hardly knew us, but opened her home to Joanna and us 3 kids. We were whirling dirvishes and so excited about everything. She and Bill also made the very long trek to Labrador City in their supercool motorhome. I grew up feeling very grateful that Grandad Bill had such a loving partner in Kathie. I am sure she is missed very much. Big hugs to you all Christina

Christina (Rideout) Wilson - August 20, 2015 at 09:35 AM



“ Jency, Mike and Melinda (and families) although we have yet to meet, I loved your Mom very much. She welcomed me and my family into her life when my Dad and I reconnected years ago. She was a wonderful, generous beautiful lady. I am so sorry for for your loss. Sincerely, Bill's daughter Julie (Mike)

Julie Veilleux - August 20, 2015 at 08:14 AM

BA

“Kathie was a wonderful person and mother. She had a charming nature about her that allowed her to talk to anyone in a casual and respectful manner. I always enjoyed her simple and practical outlook on life and its many situations. She overcame many challenges with grace while never losing sight of what was important in life. After my mother passed away, she filled that role in a special way that only she could do. She will be missed by many people and her family.

Blane Ampthor - May 12, 2015 at 08:15 PM

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“Dear Jency and family: My mom, Jeanne Werling, sends her sympathies and wants you to know how much she cherished her friendship with your mom. Being friends for decades (eight decades, I believe) is incredible. They played together as children and kept their friendship alive all of those 80 years! It seems as though it's so easy to lose connections with people, even in this very connected world, but your mom and mine stayed in touch. From the Round Robin (what a cool idea to actually write a letter to each other) to golfing trips to one of my very special memories of spending several days at our place on St. Simon's Island, GA with your mom, my mom, Mary Nilsson and Patty Waack. What fun we had and how we ALL laughed! I feel so fortunate to have gotten to know your mom. She was an adventurer and I always admired (and even envied) that quality in her. Thank you for sharing her with all of us. I hope you can find comfort in the wonderful memories. She was one heckuva woman, way before her time.

Sarah Cochran

Sarah Cochran - May 12, 2015 at 04:52 PM

SM

“ I remember Mrs Beeken well when I had the opportunity to provide nephrology care to her husband, Bill. I remember Kathie for her caring way and attentiveness to Bill during his time of significant illness over twenty years ago. Bill was a pleasure to care for with a wit, a charm, and a sartorial flare. They were a likable couple and were very kind and caring people. I retired early from my medical duties due to an unexpected illness and the Beekens sent me a letter that I have to this day thanking me for my care over the years. Care worked both ways. I can still see them both in my mind's eye. My condolence to the Beeken family but with the feeling that Kathie and Bill are now watching over all and are together again.

StevenPreston, MD

S.Preston, MD - May 12, 2015 at 10:17 AM

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“ My deepest condolences on the loss of your beloved mother. The love and support of a mother can never be replaced. I know you will always remain thankful that she was yours. Cindy Vasko

Cindy Vasko - May 12, 2015 at 01:05 AM

RL

“ I always enjoyed seeing and caring Mrs. Beeken when ever she was my patient at Bentley. Please know your in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time.

Sincerely,
Rodger Lawson, RN
Bentley Village

Rodger Lawson - May 10, 2015 at 10:18 AM

RR

“ For over 30 years as Kathie's son in law I can say proudly say never an unkind thought, never an unkind word only love, support and treasure memories now are the things I will remember. As a member of Kathie's family we shared so many travel, holiday and family visits which I will remember most fondly. I am grateful for all these experiences with her and will always cherish her generosity, support and the love I know existed for all of her family. She lived a great life on her own terms, raised 3 great kids and even though this is a time of sadness of her passing, there is great joy in knowing that she was at peace at the end. I will always think of her and how she live her life and will miss her greatly. Love, you Kath.

Robert Richards - May 09, 2015 at 07:54 AM