



Katherine Kennedy

November 25, 1946 - October 17, 2021

KENNEDY, Katherine "Kathy", 75, of Naples, Florida and Clinton Township, MI, passed away on October 17, 2021. Her loving husband, John, and daughter, Nicole, were by her side.

Born in Detroit in 1946 to Leo Boutsikaris and Zoe Strumbos, Kathy grew up in Detroit and attended Detroit Public Schools. It was at Mettetal Junior High in Detroit that she met her future husband, John William Kennedy, in the seventh grade. The two were married in 1966 and remained soul mates throughout the course of their 55-year marriage.

In the early years of their marriage, Kathy worked as a legal secretary. After several years in the field, she left the role to offer full support to John as he grew his successful automotive supply business. One of Kathy's great joys was when daughter Nicole came into their lives. Together, they enjoyed family gatherings, boating and frequent trips to Disney World.

Kathy had a special charm and effortless grace that drew people to her; her presence brought a special sparkle that made her the light of any party or gathering. She was quick-witted, and family and friends delighted in times spent laughing together.

Naturally elegant, Kathy had an innate sense of style which was evident in both her home décor and personal appearance. She was admired by friends and family for her savoir-faire: she always knew the right thing to do in any situation. Kathy was always there to help others, and her huge heart often saw her lovingly supporting friends and family. Kathy was caring and loyal to her friends both in Florida and Michigan, with whom she enjoyed get-togethers, going out to dinner and shopping. She will be remembered for her incredible kindness and beauty. She will live on in the loving memories of all of those whose lives she touched so deeply.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Zoe Boutsikaris; father and mother-in-law, Leland and Bernice Kennedy; and brother-in-law Leland Kennedy.

She is survived by her husband, John; daughter, Nicole; sister Mary (Robert) Clark; brother Spiro (Kim) Boutsikaris; sisters-in-law Judith (Ray) Sturdy; Betsy Kennedy; Arlene Kennedy; nieces and nephews David (Michelle) Kennedy; Jill (John) Halpin; Leanne (Brian) Becker; Laura Sturdy; Michael Sturdy; Patrick Sturdy; John (Emily) Sturdy; Andrea Dixon; Ryan (Alexis) Nunley; Jon Boutsikaris; Jamie Boutsikaris; Jennifer Boutsikaris; and

Jeremy Boutsikaris; and many more nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 3-9pm with a 7pm Trisagion at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc., 36900 Schoenherr at Metro Parkway (16 Mile). Instate Saturday 9:30am until time of 10am funeral at St. John Greek Orthodox Church, 11455 Metro Parkway (W. of Dodge Park), Sterling Heights. Interment, White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. Special thanks to family and friends for their love and support throughout Kathy's illness. Please share memories with the family at their online guestbook at WujekCalcaterra.com

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W Long Lake Rd
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling
36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Trisagion

OCT **22**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Instate / Funeral Service

OCT **23**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John Greek Orthodox
11455 Metro Parkway
Sterling Heights, MI

Tribute Wall

RB

“ I’ve known Kathy for a long time and can honestly say from the deepest part of my heart she was an Angel. Her kindness and generosity was expressed in everything she did. She impacted everyone she met in such a positive way and through all the years I’ve known her she never deviated from the kind caring person she was. I loved that woman. It was impossible not to💕💕💕 Rest In Peace Kathy

Roslyn Bashawaty - October 22, 2021 at 04:21 PM

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“ Beautiful person inside and out❤️

Therese Singleton - October 22, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Katherine Kennedy.



October 22, 2021 at 04:26 AM



“ Deepest Faith was purchased for the family of Katherine Kennedy.



October 21, 2021 at 08:29 PM

ET

“ Cousin Bobo was a vibrant and beautiful woman. I remember with fondness Sunday dinners at yiyia’s with all of our cousins..I will forever cherish these memories. Our heartfelt condolences to her family. May her memory be eternal
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Elaine Trocino - October 21, 2021 at 08:12 PM



“ *Golden Garden Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Katherine Kennedy.*



October 21, 2021 at 07:50 PM



Michael
Sturdy

“ *One of the kindest people I've ever known, Aunt Kathy will be missed. One of my fondest memories is when I stayed with Aunt Kathy and Uncle John as a young boy and Aunt Kathy introduced me to TJMAX's,*



Michael Sturdy - October 21, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Katherine Kennedy.*



October 21, 2021 at 06:26 PM

JH

“ *We will cherish our loving memories of our beautiful and kind Aunt Kathy.*

Johh, Jill, Lauren and John Halpin - October 21, 2021 at 05:48 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Katherine Kennedy.*



October 21, 2021 at 05:13 PM