



# **Kathryn "Kathy" Callaway McCumbers**

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**K**athryn "Kathy" Callaway McCumbers, age 60, passed away peacefully with her family by her side at Nanticoke Memorial Hospital, Seaford, DE on Sunday, April 22, 2012. She was born in Bridgeville, DE, daughter of Charles Clifford and Pauline (Gray) Callaway of Bridgeville.

Kathy was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church, Oak Grove, Seaford, DE. She was a 1969 graduate of Bridgeville High School and a 1978 graduate of Delaware Technical and Community College, Georgetown, where she earned an Associate's Degree in Human Services. Kathy was employed by the State of Delaware for many years as a social worker in Georgetown and at the Edward W. Pyle Service Center in Roxana, DE. At the time of her passing, she had been employed for ten years at Nanticoke Memorial Hospital.

Kathy and her husband Mike lived on their farm and thoroughly enjoyed their animals. Kathy especially enjoyed the many stray and injured cats that she took into her home, feeding, loving and nurturing them. Besides her feline family, she also enjoyed her precious goat, "Patches" and beagle dog "Willey."

Yard sales, reading, crab feasts and family gatherings were high on her list for entertainment. She always looked forward to the football season and was a fan of the Minnesota Vikings.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her loving husband of 16 years, Michael D. McCumbers; a brother, Clifford C. Callaway; several aunts and uncles; numerous cousins; and special friends.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, April 27, 2012 at 2:00 PM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Hardesty Chapel, 202 Laws Street, Bridgeville, DE followed by interment at Bethel Cemetery at Oak Grove, Seaford. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday, April 26, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM and on Friday, April 27, beginning at 1:00 P.M.



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In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Georgetown SPCA, 22918 DuPont Blvd., Georgetown, DE 19947 or to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 163, Salisbury, MD 21803.

Please visit Kathy's online guestbook at this site.

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## Events


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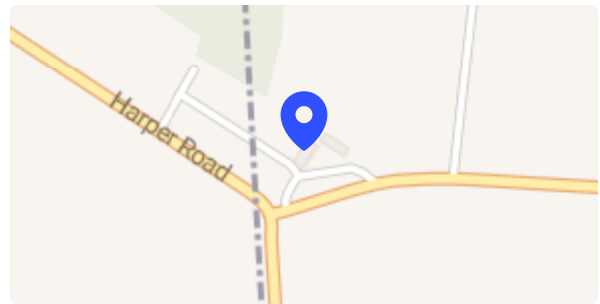
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### Interment

 **Friday**, April 27, 2012

 3:30 PM ET

 **Bethel Cemetery at Oak Grove**  
2381 Neals School Road, Seaford DE





## Tribute Wall

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JS

**James Spanish** lit a candle in honor of Kathryn.

Cathy was a beautiful person!

August 4 at 5:08 PM



PK

**Paul & Lynette (Kefauver) Kovack** posted:

We are deeply saddened to hear of the recent passing of Kathy and offer our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Family..God Bless and you are in our prayers

April 26 at 8:00 PM

DJ

**Dottie Johnson** posted:

Dearest Charles, Pauline, Clifford and Mike: I am so saddened to hear of the passing of your darling Kathy. She was such an inspiration for so many, and had the most beautiful smile that could light up a whole room. I enjoyed our many years, as friends & neighbors. I pray that your hearts my not be too heavy with grief, but instead, rejoice in the knowledge that she has gone to stand proud with her God for everlasting life. She will no longer know pain and will be surrounded with all her loved ones in the kingdom of Heaven.....HEAVEN HAS GAINED ANOTHER ANGEL.....PEACE to you my dear Kathy.....and all my love and prayers to, you, her devoted family Dottie Johnson surrounded by her loved ones in heaven

April 26 at 8:00 PM

PM

**Pam Mccumbers** posted:

Kathy, how do I say goodbye to my sister-in-law and very dear friend. When you loved someone you did so with such devotion and loyalty. Your love of family and friends made you what you were. Your laughter and excitement always lit up the room. Just to watch with you and Mikey together made everyone believe in one true love. I thank God for you and your friendship. Rest in peace, my dear friend.

April 26 at 8:00 PM

PC

**Patti Cecil** posted:

So sorry to hear about Kathy passing away. She was a colleague at NMH and I worked with her in registration for many years. She always had a smile on her face and a funny laugh. She will be missed. RIP

April 26 at 8:00 PM



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DT

**Denise Taylor** posted:

Kathy will be missed by many. I will always remember her love for football, the Beatles, the care and nurturing she gave her precious goat Patches, and the fun we had at family gatherings. She had the gift of laughter and compassion for others. She was always there for me and my family particularly during two traumatic events at the hospital. During my brother, Ronald's, cardiac arrest and months of recovery and when, my husband, Rick, had emergency surgery. I will always remember her care and concern during those times. Now she has transitioned to a place of no pain where some day we will be reunited with her.

April 26 at 8:00 PM

DH

**Dawn Hyatt** posted:

Kathy, you are a special person and I will always remember you and the time I helped you try to spike your hair like mine as it was growing back. I will see you again on Gods celestial shores and I hope you will be the first one I see!!

April 26 at 8:00 PM

JK

**Joyce And Mike Kontgias** posted:

Kathy we love you and will miss you every day. And thank you for making my brother Michael the Happiest man in the world for 16+ years. Your love for each other was the best I have ever seen. Michael we love you---Joyce and Mike

April 25 at 8:00 PM

TL

**Terry Lucas** posted:

Will miss your hugs & your giggles. Rest in Peace!!

April 25 at 8:00 PM

JT

**Jerry, Donna & Julie Tugwell** posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. However, we all know she is resting in peace and no longer in pain. God will give you strength to carry on and I know you will always cherish the memories of your life together.

April 25 at 8:00 PM



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MH

**Mary Beth Hare** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with all of the McCumber family at this time of sorrow. Remeber Aunt Kathy's beautiful smile and her amazing personality. She will be loved and missed by many. Her legacy will live on in your hearts forever. I know she looks breath taking in those beautiful white wings!! Love and prayers to all.

April 24 at 8:00 PM

GF

**G.Ford** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. May "the God of all comfort" (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) comfort and soothe your heart. His promises, found in the Holy Scriptures, can offer much hope. It assures us at John 5:28,29 that our loved ones will be remembered and brought back to life in the resurrection. Please allow God's Word to strengthen you and help you to endure this most difficult time.

April 24 at 8:00 PM

JR

**Jim Raymond** posted:

A friend since we campaigned together for Jake Jones back in the 1960s. And then working together at the Edward W. Pyle Memorial Center in Roxana in which she was very instrumental in the Center's immediate success. And then the famous Thanksgiving dinner in Gainesville, Florida. Afterward, the many get togethers back on the Eastern Shore. I believe our last time together was in Bethany Beach where she, Mike, and mutual friends celebrated the birth of a new century on December 31, 1999. Kathy was one of the best friends anyone could have and her untimely passing has left a void in our lives. However, it is comforting to know that her illness is now behind her and even more comforting to realize that we will all be together again when our journeys are over.

April 24 at 8:00 PM

VS

**Vicki Banning Short** posted:

My deepest sympathy to the family of Kathy. She was one grade below me at BHS. Please know you all are in my prayers.

April 23 at 8:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Kathryn "Kathy" Callaway McCumbers.

April 23 at 8:00 PM



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GC

**Gerri Coble** posted:

Kathy was always the life of the party with her big smile and infectious laugh. The three of us had such great times growing up together. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort in the days ahead.

April 23 at 8:00 PM

CN

**Carolyn & Fred Neidlinger** posted:

Love you and miss you.

April 23 at 8:00 PM

LH

**Loretta Hoffman** posted:

I am so sorry to hear about Kathy and you all will be in my prayers, love you all at Bethel. bless you, Loretta Hopkins Hoffman

April 23 at 8:00 PM

PA

**Peggy Arney** posted:

Class of 1969

April 23 at 8:00 PM

NC

**Nancy Mckinney Cramer** posted:

My heartfelt sympathies to Kathy's family. I didn't know Kathy well, but I certainly do remember her smiling face. She is now with the Angels above.

April 23 at 8:00 PM

LS

**Lisa Weeks-Sirman** posted:

Kathy - We have such good memories of coming to see you and Mike with all the animals! May you rest in peace. Love, Lisa and Rebecca

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KT

**Kim T** posted:

I had the pleasure of working with Kathy a few years ago when I was a nurse in the NMH ER. She was always pleasant and a hard worker. Kathy will be missed. My sympathies to her family.

April 23 at 8:00 PM

KS

**Kevin Sirman** posted:

Kathy was always a rock for everyone. I will miss her more than any words will ever express.

April 22 at 8:00 PM

DM

**Danny K. McCumbers** posted:

Kathy, you will be missed every second. I loved you like a sister. Love Danny

April 22 at 8:00 PM

DE

**Deanna** posted:

Aunt Kathy, It is your laugh that I will remember the most. How was it that you were always happy? You will forever be remembered and loved.

April 22 at 8:00 PM

DA

**Darlene C** posted:

my memory of you goes back many a year, but oh what good memories they were..I remember how my heart smiled when i found out that you & michael were together & for so many years....a bond only so few will reach. may the spirit of you now....comfort sweet michael

April 22 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kathryn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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