



Constance S. Kotula

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Constance "Connie" S. Kotula, age 86 of Rehoboth Beach, DE passed away on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at Beebe Healthcare, in Lewes, DE. She was born in Pottsville, PA on August 11, 1937, daughter of the late Louis and Atessica (Yourgal) Stephens.

Connie moved at an early age to Indiana, PA where her father, a Sears & Roebuck manager, was transferred. After being educated in the public school system, Connie was trained as a nurse at the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, University of Pittsburgh. After graduation, she married John (Jack) R. Kotula with whom she enjoyed 67 years of marriage.

The couple raised two children, John R. Kotula, Jr., and Kimberly Ann Ridgek, both of Wilmington, DE. After completing 25 years of school nursing in the Claymont and Brandywine school districts, Connie and Jack retired to Rehoboth Beach, DE and Fort Myers, FL where she became a passionate golfer. Connie was proud of being on winning teams at Harbourtown Resort Golf Course, St. Michaels, MD, Maple Dale Country Club, Dover, DE, Heritage Palms Country Club, Ft. Meyers, FL and Rehoboth Beach Country Club, Rehoboth Beach, DE.

An excellent cook and seamstress, she leaves behind many pieces of cross-stitch and needlepoint that will long be treasured by her family. Connie was also an avid, lifelong gardener. One of her cherished accomplishments was the development of a program to assist students with disabilities in the Brandywine School District. Although she's been retired for 30 years, she still receives calls from some of the students.

In addition to her husband and her two children, Connie is survived by her grandsons: Peter and Daniel Kotula, both of Wilmington, DE, and daughter-in-law, Karen B. Kotula, all of whom she was extremely proud. She particularly enjoyed following her grandsons' athletic and academic pursuits.

Services for Connie will be private. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.



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In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sunday Breakfast Mission, P.O. Box 352, Wilmington, DE.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Kotula family.

March 4 at 12:19 PM



Patricia B. planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Constance.

February 29 at 4:46 AM



Kellie Pulgini sent a virtual gift in honor of Constance.

February 28 at 2:57 PM



Connie Winner posted:

Dear Dr. Kotula, John, and Kim, Please accept my sympathy on the passing of Connie. What a lovely lady! Connie and all of you are in my thoughts and prayers. Connie Winner

February 27 at 7:17 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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