



Kathy Reinhart

October 11, 1958 - January 22, 2021

Kathy Reinhart, age 62 of Rehoboth Beach, DE, passed away on Friday, January 22, 2021 at Beebe Healthcare in Lewes, DE. She was born on October 11, 1958 in Seaford, DE, daughter of the late William and Joan Hammond.

Mrs. Reinhart graduated from Seaford High School. She built a lifelong career as a secretary at Rehoboth and Shields Elementary Schools, from which she retired after 30 years. After her retirement, Mrs. Reinhart worked as a realtor with Jack Lingo Realty for the past 7 years.

Mrs. Reinhart was a member of Lewes Fire Department, Ladies Auxiliary. She was a voracious reader and cherished time spent with those she held most dear, especially her grandchildren, Curtis and Riley Mae, whom she loved very much. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and friend who will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Reinhart was preceded in death by her brother, William Hammond, Jr. She is survived by her beloved husband of 6 years, Edward Schaefer; her two children: Curtis Reinhart of Rehoboth Beach, DE and Melanie Reinhart of Milton, DE; her grandchildren: Curtis Reinhart Jr., and Riley Mae Lemaire; her brother: John Hammond, of Lewes, DE; her sisters: Nancy Trice (Ronald) of Seaford, DE, Karen Massey (Dale) of Seaford, DE, and Lisa Reed (Jeff) of Millsboro, DE; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be no in-person service.

A Celebration of Life via live streaming will be held on Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 6:00 PM. All are welcome to join the stream by visiting the following link:

<http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/9813770/LTWebcast>

Memorial contributions may be made in Mrs. Reinhart's memory to St. Jude Children's

Research Hospital, PO Box 1893, Memphis, TN 38101.

Please sign the online guestbook located on the tribute page.

Events

JAN **Flower Delivery** **10:00AM**

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Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel
16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, US, 19958

JAN **Live Stream Funeral Service** **06:00PM**

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<http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/9813770/LTWebcast>
AK, US

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Parseell Funeral Homes & Crematorium - January 23 at 02:32 PM



“ To Ed and the entire family, I send my heart felt condolences and prayers to you all. Kathy will definitely be missed by many.

Punch Franklin - January 28 at 06:01 PM



“ Very beautiful. Love you Kathy. Praying for the entire family

Jessica Phillips - January 28 at 06:13 PM



“ Beautiful closure of a life so loved and special. We had some of the best years as friends. I will miss the laughter and fun. Mel Mel and Curtis we are sending you hugs and white light. Ms Dar and Mr John

Darlene Zacharias - January 28 at 06:14 PM



“ Very nice service! Condolences to the entire family.

Trish Rickards-Dickerson - January 28 at 06:14 PM



“ My deepest condolences. David Lambert

David Lambert - January 28 at 06:18 PM



“ Heartfelt condolences to Ed and the family. Kathy will be sadly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lynn Larkins - January 28 at 06:19 PM



“ Ed, Melanie & Curtis I'm sorry for your loss I will be praying for you. I worked with Kathy at Shields and she will be missed,

Ed Reese

Edward Reese - January 28 at 06:19 PM



“ This video was very nicely done. To Kathy's family my thoughts and prayers are with you . Kathy was a good friend.

Naomi L Rickards

Naomi Rickards - January 28 at 06:21 PM



“ To Ed & family...We send our prayers to you all. Kathy will be missed by so many and the time we spent with her at Shields Elementary School will never be forgotten. When I would see Kathy after she left RSE we would always spend 15 minutes and re-live all the fun memories and tricks we played on each other. I always reminded her that it was usually her that got "Coach B" in trouble or pushed me into playing my tricks on folks. So many good

times with Kathy. RIP...Love, Tim & Monique Bamforth

Tim Bamforth - January 28 at 06:22 PM



“ My heartfelt condolences to the entire family at such a difficult time.

Valerie Phillips - January 28 at 06:23 PM



“ May God hold your family in the palm of his hand. Kathy was a wonderfully kind soul.

Christopher Waddell - January 28 at 06:23 PM



“ Ed, my Curtis and Mel, Mel your mother was a special person to me and many other people Kathy will be missed dearly.

Roberta and Lou Lukach

Roberta Lukach - January 28 at 11:16 PM



“ School secretaries are the "face" of the school and Kathy was that for two schools in the Cape Henlopen School District. Always with a smile and a large laugh, she was just a joy to meet in the school office. Always positive and cheerful, she presented a wonderful image of each of the schools she served. And she was great to be around at a party or gathering with the same bubbly personality! Taken far too soon, she will be missed.

Dr. Gary D. Wray

Dr. Gary D, Wray - February 01 at 08:54 AM



“ So very sorry to learn about Kathy's untimely passing. As a parent of 4 former students at Rehoboth Elementary School, I will gladly say what a gem Cathy was. So very kind and so very competent. Very fond memories and I hope that her family shares the community love that has been shown by her and for her.

Diane Thompson - February 03 at 12:33 PM



“ Dear Ed, Curtis, and Melanie,
She was one of the good ones! Her kindness of spirit, generosity of self, and love of others were her gifts to those who were lucky enough to know her. So many times her sweet (but sometimes ornery) smile and easy laugh were all a teacher or student needed to turn the day around. She had the knack for making people feel better about themselves, and we all knew that she was genuinely interested in what we had to say. While this has to be an incredibly difficult time for you, know that she will forever be in the hearts of so many. Take care and bless you all. Love you Kathy!

Carole Short

Carole Short - January 31 at 02:43 PM



“ To Ed and family of Kathy I was so sorry to hear of Kathys passing she was a sweet wonderful person and I know she will be missed terribly. May your wonderful memories help to carry you through a sad time.

Linda Culleney - January 29 at 04:15 PM



“ Kathy is gone far too soon, but hers was a life well lived. She did what she was sent here to do. She did it well, and we are all better for it. My heart aches for Ed, Curtis and Melanie. She will be missed by all those who knew and loved her. Godspeed my friend.

Nancy Moore - January 29 at 12:28 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Slideshow



Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium - January 29 at 09:26 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathy Reinhart.



January 29 at 06:10 AM



“ I am so sad to hear of Kathy’s passing. She was a bright spot in so many students’, parents’, and coworkers’ day at Rehoboth and Shields Elementary Schools. She greeted everyone with a smile! She loved my daughter like her own and we will miss her. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and my hope is that her generous spirit will live on in all your hearts as you support each other now and in the future.
With Love, Janis Hanwell

Janis Hanwell - January 29 at 05:56 AM



“ To Ed and Family.
I was saddened to hear of Kathy's passing. She had such a generous spirit and kind heart. As the school secretary, Kathy's touched so many lives while she worked at Shields Elementary School.

When my classroom was connected to the school office, not a day would go by without Kathy popping in to tell me a funny story or make a comment about an office escapade. Working with Kathy was such fun!

I have fond memories of the last conversation I had with Kathy and Ed. It was during my retirement party as we sat around the table in my backyard. We were all laughing and reminiscing about our time at Shields. Kathy had such a bright smile, infectious laugh and twinkling eyes. Those are the things I want to remember about her.

Hoping that you will find strength in friends and family as you move through the days ahead.

With much love and sympathy,
Stephanie DeWitt

PS - To Curtis and Melanie. Your mom was so very proud of you! She will always be watching over you.

Stephanie DeWitt - January 28 at 08:46 PM



“ Our sincere condolences to Kathy's family. Many great memories of Kathy and the Hammond family during weekends at the Indian River Inlet, Plantation Park, and the annual family reunions at Aunt Reba and Uncle Joe's house in Ocean View. So sorry for your loss. Barb and Bill Bowden

Barb & Bill Bowden - January 28 at 07:47 PM



“ Ed, Melanie, Curtis and family, please accept my sincere condolences on your loss. KR was the best of the best, always there for everyone, always smiling and I feel so blessed to have had her in my life. We shared a lot of wonderful times. I pray that you can hold tight to your beautiful memories with her and know she will always be with you.

Crystal Cyr - January 28 at 06:37 PM



“ Ed, Curtis, and Melanie - I am broken-hearted as I process this loss. Kathy and I met over 30 years ago when our children were just 2. I instantly loved her and the joy that she brought wherever she went. Over the many years that brought us together, we reconnected time and time again, sharing what our kids were doing and then what our grandchildren were doing, having grandkids the same age as our children. It seems impossible that she is gone but her beautiful heart is with us all and will remain a focus of our lives as we treasure our memories. I hope you can feel how much she impacted her many friends' lives and keep those close as you heal. Love and prayers to you all.
Lyn Buck

Lyn Buck - January 28 at 06:25 PM



“ Beautiful service for a pretty little neice who became a beautiful lady. inside and out. We were so glad to have Kathy, Johnnie, and Nancy visit us this past COVID summer outside on our deck and safely apart to catch up with each other. That smile did indeed light up a room. God bless her family.

Uncle Jack and Aunt Jeanne

John Conner - January 28 at 06:23 PM



“ Ed, our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Kathy will truly be missed by all of us.
Jean and Bob Pruchniewski

Jean Pruchniewski - January 28 at 06:21 PM



“ Rest in paradise Kathy. You will be deeply missed! Your service was beautiful. We will always be here for your family. We love you.

Love, Rachel, Manny, Patch, Ava and Ginger

Rachel Hewitt - January 28 at 06:19 PM



“ Ed, Melanie, Curtis, Riley Mae & Curtis, my deepest condolences. Kathy was such a special lady, she will be missed dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.



Kristina Rogers - January 28 at 05:46 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Kathy's husband Ed, daughter Mel, son Cutis, grandbabies, and brother and sister. Kathy we all will miss you dearly, your smile and your loving heart. Rest in piece my friend you took a piece of our hearts with you. Fly free our angel

Dawn Thompson - January 28 at 04:38 PM



“ Ed, Mel, Curtis, Brenda and family, My heart is hurting for all of you. I hope you feel the love and prayers being sent your way and I hope you know that others share your loss.

My sincere condolences to all of you. Kathy had a way of lighting up a room and I hope you can hold that beautiful smile in your thoughts and memories.

Midge DiNatale and family



Midge DiNatale - January 28 at 12:44 PM



“ Melanie - sorry I didn't know about the viewing, I would have been there! Kathy was my twin and I have great memories! Sorry for your loss.

Karen Massey - January 28 at 07:14 PM



“ Kathy is AMAZING woman, monther, aunt, grandmom! The love she showed everyone, the happiness she brought into peoples lives. I am so very grateful for the relationship we had, I love you and you will be truly missed my 2nd momma <3



Jessica Phillips - January 28 at 12:00 PM



“ Sending condolences to the family. Kathy was an amazing person. I met her many years ago and every time we did anything we had fun. Kathy was fun! She brought so much joy to so many people. While I did not see her much lately, every time I did see her we would laugh and remember good times. She was a great example of what kind of person we should all strive to be. My memories of her will always bring me a smile. Seems unfair she left us this early but I know I will see her again someday. All my love to Melanie, Curtis and Ed. May you find peace in knowing others care.

Marilyn Davis - January 28 at 11:58 AM



“ My mom and Kathy’s mom were cousins and much of my childhood included the Hammond family, from the trailer at Indian River Inlet to Plantation Park. I have such fond memories of Kathy. She was a few years older than me and I just thought she was so fun and funny as she came home and relayed her teenage adventures to Lisa and I. Life moves on and we no longer crossed paths as much but I’ve always held her in high regard. I was so sad to hear of her passing, another gone too soon. Prayers and condolences to her family and friends.

Tracy Holcomb - January 28 at 09:57 AM



“ Curtis, Melanie and Ed, my sincere condolences to all of you! Kathy was such a beautiful loving person - a joy to know and be around. You couldn’t help but smile in her presence. I hope you can take comfort in all your happy memories. So sorry that she had to go so soon. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. Corinne Billger

corinne - January 27 at 01:52 PM



“ Kathy was such a special person and really cared about the clients she worked with. If my clients needed a rental, I always called her and she always responded with kindness and grace. My sincere condolences to Kathy's family and friends. She will truly be missed by everyone.

Sandy Leigh - January 27 at 09:46 AM



“ My deepest condolences to Ed, Melanie, Curtis, Riley Mae, and Curtis. I always admired Kathy and her genuine loving personality. This is so sad and too soon to lose such a precious person.

Nancy Broadhurst - January 26 at 09:48 PM



“ I am so very sorry for the loss of your beloved wife, mother, grandmother and sister. Kathy was a beautiful soul who gave her love with her whole heart. May God comfort you at this time and in the coming days.
Marion Oat

marion oat - January 26 at 07:15 PM



“ We are so sad to hear about the passing of Kathy. She always had a warm smile, a sweet laugh and kindness to share with others. May her family be wrapped in God's loving arms and feel His comfort during this difficult time. We pray that memories will hold you up and you will find comfort.
Love, George, Kathy, Rebecca and Hannah Pepper

Kathy Pepper - January 26 at 06:04 PM



“ Kathy took such good care of us teachers at Shields, always with a smile on her face. I know you will all miss her terribly. Keep her smile in your hearts with the wonderful memories of her. It was such fun to run into Kathy and catch up. She's gone way too soon. Hugs to all of you.

Patti Hocker - January 26 at 05:22 PM



“ Trish Rickards-Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Kathy Reinhart



Trish Rickards-Dickerson - January 26 at 09:19 AM



“ Mr. Ed, Curtis, Melanie and family. I always remember your mom having a smile on her face. She loved her children and grandchildren dearly. I am very sorry for your loss. Sending you much love and hugs during this most difficult time.

Trish Rickards-Dickerson - January 26 at 09:18 AM



“ So very sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I hope that you are able to find peace and healing in your memories of the wonderful woman she was.

Robin Lafferty - January 26 at 08:29 AM



“ Curtis and Mel,
Your mom was a truly admirable woman. Mrs. Myers and I were privileged to have known her and watch her a devoted mom to the two of you. She was an inspiration to many. Now that she has passed to the other side, she will be dearly missed by many. My most sincere condolences to you and your families. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Mr. And Mrs. Myers

John Myers - January 25 at 08:47 PM



“ I don't have words for the hole she leaves. To Melanie, Curtis, little Curtis and Riley. And to Aunt B and Aunt shel. My heart hurts for you. I loved her welcoming way and the loving grandmother she always was. She made us all feel included. You will be missed. You are loved so

Trisa Lewis - January 25 at 08:44 PM



“ Melanie, I am so very sorry to hear about your mom. I don't have to tell you what a wonderful person she was. Kathy was always smiling and never hesitated to help, no matter what it was. I know your mom is watching over you, and will help you somehow ease this sad time for you. I'm thinking about you and here if you need anything.

Terri Malewski Colegrove

Terri Colegrove - January 25 at 07:24 PM



“ I'm so sorry to learn of Kathy's passing. I always admired her pleasant demeanor, and I can't help but chuckle about the time she was preparing to present the wafers for Communion at St. Peter's, Lewes, and accidentally dropped them everywhere; much scrambling ensued. God bless and keep you and yours, Kathy.

Shelly Souder - January 25 at 06:18 PM



“ Our heartfelt condolences to Ed and the family. She will be missed. Ken and Carol Lingo



Carol Lingo - January 25 at 05:04 PM



“ So shocked and sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. She was truly a beautiful person inside and out. My condolences to Ed, Melanie and Curtis for your loss. I will keep you in my prayers. Bernadette Dunn

Bernadette Dunn - January 25 at 03:44 PM



“ I was so sad to see this. I had the pleasure of knowing Kathy from Shields and I have so many fond memories of all my interactions with her. She was just the nicest, always upbeat person who really was the heart and soul of Shields. My condolences to her family she was such a wonderful person

Kerry Spieker - January 25 at 03:35 PM



“ So sorry to learn of Kathy's passing! Our thoughts and prayers are with Ed, Curtis and Melanie. Kathy was a special person who will be missed by all who knew her. Wayne and Bunny Steele

WAYNE G STEELE - January 25 at 02:50 PM



“ Han Aydinel lit a candle in memory of Kathy Reinhart



Han Aydinel - January 25 at 10:56 AM



“ My condolences to Ed, Melanie and Curtis for your loss. I will keep you in my prayers.

Frank Prekup - January 25 at 06:25 PM



“ Our Condolences to Ed, Curtis, Melanie and the rest of the family. Kathy was a beautiful and real person. We will miss you our friend.

Linda, Fannie and Marlon Miller & family

Linda Miller - January 25 at 06:51 PM



“ My condolences to the entire family. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family. God Bless, Bill Baughman

William J Baughman - January 27 at 08:40 AM



“ Dear Melanie and Curtis, You both have been in my thoughts and prayers a lot. A mother is with us always, first in her lifetime, then forever in our memory. Kathy was such a caring and loving Mother and Grandmother. Keep those memories close. I am so sorry to hear of you loss. Love, Beth Shinn

Beth Shinn - January 27 at 10:13 AM



“ My condolences to the entire family....Kathy will be missed by many. Cecilia Marsh

cecilia - January 28 at 09:17 AM



“ Kathy was an earth angel who wanted everyone to be ok. We had many great times and lots of laughs in our friendship. She was a light in my life that has now dimmed. RIP my friend.

Darlene Zacharias - January 25 at 09:08 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kathy Reinhart.



January 24 at 03:50 PM