

## KATHY LEE (ETZEL) KEIL



Age 72, of Plum, on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, passed peacefully with her family at her side. Beloved wife of 36 years to John Keil; mother of Melissa Wells and Brian (Teresa) Keil; grandmother of Lindsey Wells; sister of Patricia Tommasi, George Etzel, Jr. and the Amy McCauley and Kay Diane Etzel; also survived by many nieces and nephews and her furry friend, Lucky. Preceded in death by parents,

George, Sr. and Donna Etzel. Kathy was retired from Highlands School District, where she was a devoted special education teacher. She was an avid reader and could always be found with a book in her hand. Always looking for a bargain, Kathy loved thrift shopping. She was able to soak in her love for the outdoors while gardening and landscaping, both of which were tremendous talents. A skilled golfer, she and John took up the sport together and spent many hours on the course, creating special memories. The place most dear to her heart was the beach. With the sun on her skin, ocean breeze in her hair, seashells in hand and sand at her feet, Kathy was at home. A faithful woman, Kathy found joy through Christian music concerts, some of which she attended in Universal Studios. She was a dedicated caregiver, giving of her heart to her students, her family and of course her faith- a beautiful example of love and grace. Friends received, Friday, 2-4pm and 6-9pm, at **SOXMAN FUNERAL HOMES, LTD./ROTH CHAPEL**, 7450 Saltsburg Road (at Universal Road), Penn Hills, where a Service will be held, Saturday, 11:00 am. Interment in Plum Creek Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, and to honor Kathy's charitable heart, memorial donations are encouraged to Compassion International, <https://www.compassion.com/ways-to-donate.htm>

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