

# KATHERINE ELIZABETH (JOHE) VOLAND



Born January 24, 1936, in Pittsburgh, PA, passed from this life surrounded by those who loved her, into her Lord's presence on October 22, 2024.

Kathy is survived by her husband of nearly 70 years, Willis E. Voland, Jr., and together they began their life story with, as Kathy always called them, her "3 Perfect Sons." She was deeply devoted to and very proud of her sons, David W. Voland

(Susan), Donald K. Voland (Deborah deceased), Craig E. Voland (Lorie).

Her sons gave her nine grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. All of whom she loved dearly. Never forgetting a single birthday and always with a card with a dollar bill inside, no matter how old they were.

Kathy's dream as a young woman, just graduating high school was to become a nurse and she held onto that dream, until her sons were old enough to help care for themselves and then she accomplished that dream of becoming an LPN. She was a kind, caring and some would say, a no-nonsense nurse. She worked for many years in both a hospital and the nursing home setting and was most compassionate to those needing a gentle touch and some conversation.

In her daily life outside of nursing, she enjoyed cooking and baking, always searching for new recipes to try out on her children and grandchildren. She loved sewing and crafts, she loved planting flowers in her garden, planting her favorite flower which was the simple daisy. And Kathy collected chickens. Little chicken knick knacks could be found all over her home, in every room through the years, as her collection grew, Kathy's chickens became quite the topic of conversation at family gatherings. Everyone wondered who would inherit this collection someday, and there was much laughter as we nominated anyone who was not present at dinner that day. Kathy would be happy to know that those chickens now reside in the homes of her children and grandchildren. Even traveling as far as Germany, where they will always be a reminder of her and the many family gatherings.

Along with her children, grand and great-grandchildren; she was loved by her sister, Carole Trakoval (Robert deceased) of NY, the late Mary Lou Nock (Frank), the late Edward Johe (Anne deceased) and the late Olga McFarland (Howard deceased); and many nieces and nephews.

Kathy faithfully attended and in her younger years, was a very involved member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Freedom, PA. Her favorite song was Jesus Loves Me.

Friends will be received on Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., at **DEVLIN FUNERAL HOME OF CRANBERRY**, 2678 Rochester Rd., Cranberry Twp., PA 16066. Funeral Services will be held at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 60 Rochester Rd., Freedom, PA 15042. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

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