



Katherine Emory Dennis

November 6, 1947 - July 8, 2022

Katherine Emory Dennis unexpectedly passed away at home in the early afternoon of July 8. She was 74.

Mrs. Dennis leaves behind her husband William (Denny), sons William III and wife Michelle Hanafin Dennis of Washington, DC, and David John and Laura Collins Dennis of New Orleans, LA, and four grandchildren Adelaide, Quinn, John Andrew, and Joseph (Mac). She was preceded in death by her parents Burbon and Faye Emory of Calhoun, LA, a brother Ralph (Rickie) of Tyler, TX and a sister Susan (Sue) of Beaumont, TX.

Mrs. Dennis was born in Beaumont, TX, November 6, 1947. She came to Washington in 1969 to work at the Pentagon before moving to the White House and becoming chief secretary to White House chief of staff and eventually the domestic traveling secretary to President Richard M. Nixon. After leaving the White House she worked for prominent people in California, Texas, and New York before returning to Washington where she held a series of professional positions in government, including on Capitol Hill, the Department of Agriculture, and the Federal Maritime Commission. She also spent time working at the government relations firms of Timmons and Company, and Barber, Griffiths, and Rodgers. She married Mr. Dennis on February 10, 1979.

A devoted mother and grandmother, and superfan of the Woodlawn Little League for more than a decade, Mrs. Dennis lived for the past 43 years in the Alexandria neighborhood of Wessynton.

Services for Mrs. Dennis will be held Tuesday July 19 at 1:00 in the Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Drive, in Alexandria. The viewing will begin at 12:00.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL **19**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel
5755 Castlewellan Drive
Alexandria, VA 22315
(703) 971-7400
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Katherine Emory Dennis*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *Sympathy Denny, we are with you and with her. So young! Louis Jacques F*

Louis Jacques Fillion - July 19, 2022 at 05:29 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 18, 2022 at 07:30 PM



“ *Your ESFM Family purchased the Gracious Lave nder Basket for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



Your ESFM Family - July 18, 2022 at 07:28 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.



July 18, 2022 at 03:41 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.



July 18, 2022 at 12:25 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.



July 18, 2022 at 11:04 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.



July 17, 2022 at 09:55 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 15, 2022 at 04:16 PM



“ *Mary & Sharon Woods purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



Mary & Sharon Woods - July 15, 2022 at 02:34 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 15, 2022 at 12:30 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 15, 2022 at 12:07 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 15, 2022 at 09:21 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 14, 2022 at 03:18 PM



“ *I've known Kathy since she was 17 years old. We have kept up with each other all these years. She was a wonderful aunt to my son and we will miss her. RIP*

Brenda - July 14, 2022 at 09:38 AM



“ *Dear Denny. What a sad news! Helen and I are so sorry for your sudden loss and are thinking of you. Know that our thoughts are with you at this time.*
Rob van der Horst

Rob van der Horst - July 13, 2022 at 04:16 PM

DC

“ Dear Denny, A beautiful picture of Kathy that reflects her sweet heart and soul. We are so sorry for your loss. Know that our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. Chuck and Debbie Collins

Debbie Collins - July 13, 2022 at 12:18 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.



July 12, 2022 at 07:48 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.



July 12, 2022 at 05:30 PM

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“ Dearest Denny, Please know that your friends and colleagues from around the world are thinking of you and share in your sudden loss and sorrow. Sending our good thoughts and prayers to support you and your family at this difficult time. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. Chuck M., Chair, The Wilford L. White Fellows.

Charles H. Matthews, PhD - July 12, 2022 at 04:26 PM

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“ *The Wilford L. White Fellows purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



The Wilford L. White Fellows - July 12, 2022 at 04:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Katherine Emory Dennis.*



July 12, 2022 at 11:31 AM