



Kathryn Louise Pittelkow

May 2, 1941 - February 7, 2021

Kathryn Louise Pittelkow, 79, of Alexandria, Virginia passed away on Sunday, February 7, 2021. She had bravely fought diabetes and kidney disease and the debilitating complications of these diseases for many years.

Kathy is survived by her loving husband of 57 years, Stan Pittelkow; children Lisa Bainer (Scott), Kelly Pico (Mark), and Michelle Bond; and grandchildren Evan Bainer and Sarah Kathryn Pico. In death, Kathy is reunited with her parents Esther and Lindley Seltzer, her sister Florence Thompson, her father-in-law Stanley Pittelkow, Sr. and her mother-in-law Genevieve Pittelkow.

Kathy lived a wonderfully full life of nearly 80 years. She was born on May 2, 1941 in Middletown, Pennsylvania and graduated from Middletown High School in 1959. After graduation, Kathy worked as a Secretary at Olmsted Air Force Base where she met Stan, an Air Force Airman. Kathy and Stan were married on December 28, 1963 and moved to Wiesbaden, Germany where Stan served as an Air Force Computer Specialist and Kathy worked as a Secretary.

In 1965 Kathy and Stan moved to Alexandria, Virginia where they raised three daughters and spoiled two grandchildren. Kathy ran a home-based floral design studio specializing in weddings for more than 15 years. She enjoyed traveling in the United States and Europe, singing in her church choir, sewing,

crafting and reading. Kathy was an avid fan of dance and piano recitals, school band and orchestra performances and Little League baseball games.

A private service will be held on Friday, February 26, 2020 at 11AM. This service is private and available in person by direct invitation only due to COVID-19 restrictions. To view the service stream and recording please come back to this obituary website. We will be streaming directly to this obituary's tribute wall. The video will display as a post on the tribute wall when we start the service. Please click play when the video is posted and available. If you are having technical difficulty you can view this service later as the video is recorded and will remain on this page. We appreciate your understanding during these extremely difficult times. Friends are invited to pay their respects beginning at 10 a.m. Burial will take place at Quantico National Cemetery at 1 p.m. (<https://www.cem.va.gov/CEM/cems/nchp/quantico.asp>)

As COVID-19 restrictions will be observed at the service, please let someone in the family know if you plan to attend.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Wounded Warriors Project (woundedwarriorproject.org/); the Muscular Dystrophy Association (mda.donordrive.com); or the American Diabetes Association (diabetes.org)

Cemetery Details

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel
5755 Castlewellan Drive
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Service

FEB 26. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jefferson Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Kathryn Louise Pittelkow*



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - February 16, 2021 at 12:01 PM

HP

So very sorry to hear of Mrs Pittelkows passing. She was a very kind woman. My family always had wonderful times at The Pittelkow's house.

My prayers to all the family

*Sincerely,
Heidi Powell (Snyder)*

Heidi Powell - February 26, 2021 at 03:36 PM

BC

Heartfelt Thoughts and Prayers to the Pittelkow Family!!! Rest In Peace Kathy!!! (Bill & Cathy Carnegie)

Bill & Cathy Carnegie - February 26, 2021 at 09:14 PM



“ *Jefferson Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Kathryn Louise Pittelkow*



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - February 14, 2021 at 10:49 AM

RT

*Very nice service. Have fun in heaven Kathy.
Love Robin*

Robin Thompson - February 26, 2021 at 11:54 AM



“ *Kathryn Louise Pittelkow*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM

AW

“ *I always loved calling the Pittelkow house growing up. I knew when I got to talk to Mrs Pittelkow she would have a story to share and no matter how busy she was she would want to hear what was going on with me and my family. She was so creative; the cakes she made for Michelle growing up were amazing and of course her floral arrangements were gorgeous. I even called her out of the blue to make a giant bow for a ribbon cutting and she did it with no questions asked, she took great joy in making the world a little prettier.*

She will be missed!

All my love to Mr. Pittelkow, Lisa, Kelly, Michelle and her extended family! - Alice Walsh

Alice Walsh - February 18, 2021 at 02:27 PM

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“ There are many good memories I have of my aunt Cathy, whom I always called Kaka, since I was a little boy, because I could not pronounce Cathy.

A few years ago I visited my aunt Cathy, and uncle Stan at Thanksgiving. This was the first Thanksgiving sponsored by my cousin Michelle, and according to Michelle, her last. The night before Thanksgiving, Cathy and I were making the stuffing. There was really not enough for all of us, but figured that would do. The next morning I discovered that Cathy, even though she was not feeling good, had stayed up that night and toasted and cut bread into cubes, so we would have enough stuffing. This is an example of the kind of person she was. She always was doing little things, just to make things nice for others. Such a good character trait, and one of many.

Cathy and her sister Flo, my mom, had a habit of always buying shirts for my dad, and Stan, at Christmas. Several times they had each bought the other husbands the very same shirt. This was always good for a great laugh. Had they known this, they could have saved a lot of money on the shipping, but that would not have been as funny!

Many years back, both our families were visiting Cathy's parents, my grandparents, in Mittletown, PA. Cathy decided she wanted to make chocolate homemade ice cream. Something went horribly wrong! When we served up the ice cream, all the chocolate had turned into chunks of bitter chocolate in the ice cream. We all sat around the table, picking pieces of chocolate out of our bowls, and putting the pieces on a side plate. Of course we made a game out of this. Whom ever got the biggest piece of chocolate won! I don't know what we won, other than a great, funny memory.

One of my favorite memory's, of many, was the summer I came out to visit, Stathy and Can, a Thompson family play on words. Aunt Cathy, cousin Michelle, and I decided to go to Ocean City, MD. We borrowed cousin Kelly's 66 Impala convertible. Old car, no cell phones, no worries, and no problems. Those were the days! What a

great car to take to the beach!!Thanks Kelly.On the way home there was a lite rain,and we had the top down,of course.Sorry, Kelly.Cathy was in the passenger front seat,with her typical scarf and cat eye glasses on.Michelle was in the back seat,and I was driving.We had an old radio station on,and it seamed like every song they played had something to do with rain.When we noticed this Cathy and I just busted out laughing.I turned to look at Michelle in the back seat and she wasn't there.Cathy asked, Michelle,where are you? Well,Michelle had climbed onto the back floor and covered herself with her beach towel,to keep dry.Since Cathy and I were in the front seat,the rain just blew over us,but Michelle was getting wet.Cathy asked Michelle why she had said nothing about getting wet.Michelle's reply was,you guys,meaning Cathy and I,were having so much fun she didn't want to ruin it.At this point we all busted out laughing.

For all those who knew Cathy,she will be missed,some more than others,myself included.

To my uncle Stan,my cousin's Lisa,Kelly,Michelle and there family's,I hurt for your great loss.

Brad Thompson

Brad THOMPSON - February 18, 2021 at 12:32 PM