



Elizabeth A. Kenworthy

January 21, 1949 - August 12, 2015

Elizabeth A. Kenworthy (Age 66)

On Wednesday, August 12, 2015, Elizabeth Ann (Rhodes) Kenworthy of Manassas, Virginia, passed away after a number of serious hospitalizations. She leaves behind her beloved husband of nearly 43 years, LTC (Ret) Donald B. Kenworthy and her three daughters Hilary Kenworthy Robinson and husband John of North Easton, Massachusetts, Natalie Kenworthy Short and husband Christopher of Haymarket, Virginia and Ashley Kenworthy Robertson and husband Philip of Chantilly, Virginia. She was “Grammy” to Evelyn Robinson and Liam and Max Short. She also leaves behind her father Harry K. Rhodes, formerly of Handley, WV and brother Harry D. Rhodes of Erie, PA, in addition to many cousins, family and friends.

Raised in Handley, West Virginia, Liz received her Bachelor of Arts from the West Virginia Institute of Technology. She began a career in English and literacy at Suitland High School in Prince George’s County, MD and soon met Don afterward. They married and began their Army travels together to live in Pattaya, Thailand; Tacoma, WA; Indianapolis, IN; Seoul, South Korea; Newport News, VA; Leavenworth, KS; and finally Manassas. She taught English to new language learners in various parts of the world during these moves. As her girls got older, she later served as Northern Virginia Regional Vice President for the Virginia PTA and helped found D-Star Instruments, Inc. She enjoyed travelling with Don, spending time with her grandchildren, and meeting with her book club.

Friends and family may call on Saturday, August 22 from 1-3 pm at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, followed by a funeral service at 3:00 pm. Her final resting place will be Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Liz's name to the PBS Foundation, 2100 Crystal Drive, Third Floor, Arlington, VA 22202 or the charity of your choice. Online condolences may be made at www.piercefh.com. (703) 257-6028

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA 22211
<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 22. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

NH

“ We were neighbors of the Rhodes family for many years, sorry to hear of Elizabeth's death.....thoughts and prayers go to the family.....Nancy Saunders and Joe, Donald and Rodnal Gatens all formerly from Handley, WV.



Nancy Saunders Herget - August 25, 2015 at 06:54 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Elizabeth A. Kenworthy.



August 21, 2015 at 08:21 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth A. Kenworthy.



August 21, 2015 at 08:13 PM

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“ Elizabeth and I first met in seventh grade. We quickly became friends and were very close through our days at Pratt JH, EBHS, and WVIT. We shared the wonder of our teenage years together; I was so blessed to have her as my special friend and confidant! . We had so many fun times just enjoying life! Liz was a beautiful, gifted person with a gentle spirit and a wonderful sense of humor! She was my Maid of Honor in my wedding! As adults we continued to have much in common. We loved teaching, and we both married military men and traveled the world. I wish we could have lived closer as adults and shared more time together. I love you, Liz, may you rest in peace! Don, Hilary, Natalie, Ashley and family, my heartfelt condolences and prayers are with you!

Henri (Dodee) Seacrist Reese

Henri Reese - August 20, 2015 at 10:36 AM



“ The good news is that my very dear cousin had a wonderful life surrounded by the love of all who knew her. I will miss her so very much but I have her close in my heart.

Jane Ann



Jane Czarra - August 20, 2015 at 10:23 AM

LP

“ Elizabeth Ann was my very first friend, we went all through school together, she was a very special person, kind, smart and she will be missed, she went out of her way for me when I needed friends the most, and, I will miss her, and she and her family will always have a place in my heart. I love you my friend.



Linda Matics Pollastrini - August 18, 2015 at 08:17 PM

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Tresa Scalise - August 18, 2015 at 08:00 AM

TS

Libby and I were classmates and sorority sisters at WV Tech in Montgomery. She was a kind, gentle, and loving lady even at her young age. My prayers for her family on the loss of this lovely lady.

Tresa Scalise - August 18, 2015 at 08:05 AM

PL

“ Liz and I started teaching together at Suitland Senior High School back in the 70's. What a great english teacher she was.....the students adored her. She was kind and smart and gentle. She would always sit and listen if the students had problems. She would also always speak her mind, too, which I really enjoyed. She had a fantastic sense of humor. We were carefree single girls in Washington, DC until she met the love of her life, Don Kenworthy, who she married (I was proud to be in her wedding) and had three beautiful daughters. I will miss her laughter, her friendship and her strength after 44 years of being friends. She was a wonderful wife, mother,daughter,sister and grandmother. After all is said and done, we are only pilgrims here on this earth for a short time and now she is enjoying her eternal reward. Till we meet again Liz. Thank you for being in our lives and watch over all of us until we see each other again. We love you very much. Our prayers go out to her family.
Pat and John Leino

Patricia John Leino - August 17, 2015 at 08:14 PM

BY

“ Elizabeth Ann & I grew up together in Handley,WV, went all thru school together. I have many fond memories of our youth. My heart & prayers are with the family. I will miss her.
May God Bless her and another Angel has gotten their wings.

Becky (Lloyd) Yost

Becky Yost - August 17, 2015 at 05:41 PM