



## Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight

January 22, 1943 - June 4, 2018

Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight, age 75 of the City of Manassas, VA, passed away peacefully on June 4, 2018 at Reston Hospital Center.

Ms. Knight was a family lawyer with her own practice in the City of Manassas. She represented families through challenging situations and served as Guardian Ad Litem for a number of children. She was also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Manassas, Crime Solvers Club, The Virginia State Bar, and The American Bar Association.

Her greatest joys in life were spending time with her children and grandchildren. She loved taking her grandkids to the beaches of the Outer Banks, North Carolina, decorating their birthday cakes, and having sleepovers. She was interested in American history and she enjoyed researching the family genealogy.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Dr. & Mrs. Claude Byron and Lois Nelson Knight. She is survived by her three children Elizabeth "Betsy" Sheridan and her husband Tim of Sterling, VA; Dennis "Kirk" Beese of Haymarket, VA; and Alexandra Prati Elswick and her husband David of Haymarket, VA; six grandchildren, Madison, Mackenzie, Liam, Haylee, Gabriella, and Maisy; her brother, Dr. Wade L. Knight and his wife Linda of Temple, TX; and sister Carol Beth Friar and her husband Roger of Wewoka,

OK; nieces, nephews, and many cousins and friends.

The family will receive friends at Pierce Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA on Thursday, June 7, 2018 from 6-8 PM where funeral services will be held on Friday, June 8, 2018 at 2:00 PM. Interment Manassas City Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Manassas City Cemetery

9317 Center Street  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-8372  
<http://www.manassascity.org/181/Cemeteries>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 7.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
[pfh@piercefh.com](mailto:pfh@piercefh.com)  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Service

**JUN 8.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall

AM

“ I was one of Polly's clients, and I am very saddened to hear that she left us. I used to have a piece of mind hearing her laughter assuring me that everything will be okay. I just found out yesterday that she passed away and it struck me very badly. My prayers go to her loved ones and to her children and her grand children.

Amna - March 21, 2019 at 04:06 PM

AP

“ Polly was a wonderful person. She was kind and caring. She was also smart, feisty and had a wonderful sense of humor. I enjoyed working for Polly and learned many things from her. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

Adrienne Peters - September 16, 2018 at 07:15 PM

LB

“ My husband and I met Polly In the 80's and we share many fond memories of Polly and her family at Washington Plaza Baptist Church in Reston, VA where her family was very active. Polly was very kind, loving and caring person. Our prayers to her family.  
Ernie & Leomia Brunson

Leomia P. Brunson - June 09, 2018 at 01:18 PM

MM

“ Mary Kay and Bill Misenheimer purchased the Ar rive in Style for the family of Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight.



Mary Kay and Bill Misenheimer - June 08, 2018 at 10:02 AM

TS

“ It became clear to me shortly after meeting Polly that she had a love for food, and there were some foods she was quite particular about. During a visit for dinner one time, a meal of Tex-Mex was being served with a full spread, including chips n’ guac. After loading up my plate, as I was heading to the dining table I noticed a skirmish brewing in the kitchen. There, each with a fork in hand were Polly and Betsy verbally jostling over how much guacamole the other was taking. The forks soon became weapons to hold the other at bay, but then I saw that the battle lines were being drawn .. with the forks .. in the guac! I’m fairly certain that a compromise was eventually reached and the dip was halved (or close enough) between the two of them. And so pretty much since that scene, I would steer clear of coming between Polly and Betsy, and the possibility of being on the losing side of a Guacamole War.

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**Tim Sheridan** - June 08, 2018 at 09:15 AM

MM

“ Betsy, Kirk, and Alexandria, I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. She was one of my best friends since about the age of 5. We had many fun times together and I will never forget her. She was an inspiration to me with all that she accomplished. She loved you and your children with all her heart. As she got older her grandchildren were the joy of her life. I was always sorry that we lived so far apart. But, anytime I saw her or talked with her it was just like I had seen her just the day before and we took up there. God bless you all!! Love, Mary Kay Misenheimer

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**Mary Kay Misenheimer** - June 08, 2018 at 09:09 AM

CI

“ Dear Betsy, Kirk and Alexandra,

*We never had the pleasure of meeting your Mom but we know she was a very special lady. The joy you brought to her life was undeniable - could tell this by little tidbits Betsy would share. May there be some comfort in the hope she is at peace and remembering your cherished times together.*

*Fondly,  
Cindy & Chuck Eller*

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**Cindy** - June 08, 2018 at 08:18 AM



“ Polly, I'm going to miss you.... You helped me in my time of need..My condolences to the family. Rest in peace dear lady.

*Sincerely,  
Bobby C. Moore*



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**Bobby Moore** - June 08, 2018 at 07:12 AM

PP

“ Kirk, Betsy and Alexandra I am so sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of your mom hanging out at Aunt Carol and Uncle Roger's preparing for Erin's Wedding. She bragged about ya'll whenever I saw her. —Love, Paula

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**Paula Pinkley** - June 07, 2018 at 06:38 PM

MR

“ Polly was a dear, dear friend. I first got to know her when we were grieving the suicide of our son. She opened her home to us and fed us (showed me how to make an omelet) and helped us to laugh again. I remember many Outer Banks vacations with her; we shared confidences and cocktails, shopping trips and cooking. Early each morning she would drive to the Apple Blossom Snack Shop for a bagful of "Apple Uglies" to share. She was a wise and trusted friend whom I admired, appreciated, and enjoyed tremendously.

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**Mary Jane Reed** - June 07, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight.



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June 07, 2018 at 07:17 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight.



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June 06, 2018 at 09:30 PM

DM

“ I have many fond memories of dinners with Polly, her Kiwanis Christmas parties, her friends and family, her thoughts about life and the way she lived and shared it. She was well spoken, well-reasoned, and unflappable. I wish I could be more like her.

*Rest in peace, Polly. You will be missed by many. Your words of wisdom are appreciated and will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Diane McNamara*

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**Diane McNamara** - June 06, 2018 at 08:49 PM

BM

“ Bill, Sandy, Sara, Josh, Allison and Michael purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight.



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**Bill, Sandy, Sara, Josh, Allison and Michael** - June 06, 2018 at 04:56 PM

MC

“ Betsy, Kirk, and Alexandra - We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. Some of my favorite memories of her were seeing the birthday cakes she would come up with for Liam's birthday every year. She was so creative, and I think it was so cool that she always tried to do something special every year. She definitely loved her children and grandchildren. She will be missed! - Marty, Sean & Megan Carpenter

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**Marty Carpenter** - June 06, 2018 at 03:37 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight.



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June 06, 2018 at 02:57 PM



“ I had the great fortune of being Polly's paralegal for a few years. She was a tough cookie, and it was one of the things I most admired about her although there were many things that impressed me about her. Polly was so much more than just my boss, and I loved her dearly. I will miss her, but know I am better for having known her.

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**Maggie Myers** - June 06, 2018 at 01:36 PM



“ My heartfelt sympathies to Polly's children and grandchildren. She was always so kind and supportive when I came to work in the legal field in Manassas. May she rest in peace.

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**Carla Callahan** - June 06, 2018 at 08:31 AM



“ I loved Polly's smile and laugh.

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**Scotta Barsella** - June 06, 2018 at 08:04 AM



“ My condolences to the family and friends of "Polly". She loved her grandchildren more than anything . May she Rest In Peace.  
Clare Lyons

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**Clare Lyons** - June 06, 2018 at 08:03 AM

JF

“ *Jim and Judy Smith, Jennifer and Joan and families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Pauline "Polly" Byron Knight.*



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**Jim and Judy Smith, Jennifer and Joan and families** - June 05, 2018 at 12:59 PM

CB

“ *Sorry for your loss. Polly was a fun person and Susan and I enjoyed our times with her. She will always be remembered for her wonderful Kiwanis Club Christmas Parties. Remember the good times, RIP Polly*

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**Cliff Blasius** - June 05, 2018 at 09:48 AM