



Kathryn Jo Stecher

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Kathryn Jo Stecher, age 96, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, died March 28, 2022, at Willard Walker Hospice Home in Fayetteville after a long and courageous battle with Alzheimers. She was born on February 28, 1926, in Columbus, Ohio to Ernest and Helen Scheiderer. Upon graduation, Kathryn worked as a secretary for Union Commercial Insurance in Columbus. During that time, she met Fred Stecher, a WWII pen pal who became the love of her life when he returned from the service. They soon married, and shortly after a move to Rochester, New York started a family. A corporate transfer moved the family to Ontario, Canada and later to Fort Smith, Arkansas which became their permanent home. Kathryn was a member of Goddard United Methodist Church in Fort Smith, where she also was a faithful member of the Quilting Circle. She worked as a leader with the Girl Scouts when her daughters were younger and she was devoted to her Bridge Club for many years. Kathryn was most dedicated to her family, enjoyed adventures and travels with her husband, and she loved the time spent with her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest and Helen Scheiderer; son, David Stecher; sisters, Ruth Lynam and Lois Miller; and brothers, Dick and Paul Scheiderer.

Kathryn is survived by her husband of 72 years, Fred Stecher; daughter and son-in-law, Sharon and Gary Guthrie of Fayetteville, daughter, Tracey Stecher of Fort Smith; grandchildren, Kamie Stecher, Alison Guthrie, and Joshua Curry; sister-in-law, Alma Weaver of Palm Bay, Florida; and many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will take place on Monday, April 4th at 11am at Sequoyah Methodist Church in Fayetteville. Interment will be at a later date at the Fayetteville National Cemetery. Memorials in Kathryn's honor can be made to The Girl Scouts of America, Goddard Methodist Food Pantry, and Sequoyah Methodist Church.



Events


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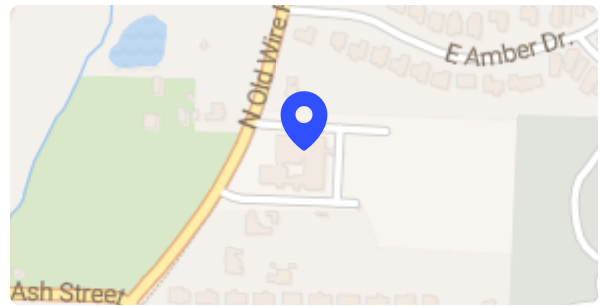
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Celebration of Life


 **Monday**, April 4, 2022

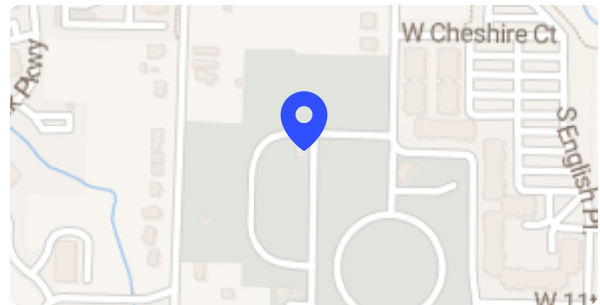
 11:00 AM CT

 **Sequoyah United Methodist Church**
1910 N. Old Wire Road, Fayetteville AR



Cemetery Details

 **Fayetteville National Cemetery**
1000 S. Lt Col Leroy Pond Ave., Fayetteville AR
72701





Tribute Wall

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Linda & Dick Nash lit a candle in honor of Kathryn.



April 4 at 6:36 AM



Linda & Dick Nash lit a candle in honor of Kathryn.

Uncle Fred, Sharon, Gary, Alison, Tracey, Joshua & Kamie & rest of family, We are so very sorry to hear of Aunt Kate's passing. Thinking of our trip & visit to Ft. Smith in 2015 are memories we will always cherish, the visit & going out to dinner that one night, as well as our visits when Uncle Fred & Aunt Kate came here for a visit during his high school reunions and we all got together at Aunt Ruth & Uncle Bob's for a big family visit. So many great memories we will never forget. You're in our thoughts & prayers during this difficult time. We love you all! Linda & Dick Nash



April 4 at 6:35 AM



Tracey Stecher posted:

God must need some better apple pies mom... no one could ever come close to yours! Love you forever and always. Until we meet again... Trace

April 4 at 6:15 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Stecher family.



April 4 at 3:34 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Stecher family.



April 2 at 5:04 AM



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Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Stecher family.



April 1 at 9:33 AM



Joyce Didier posted:

Sending our deepest and most sincere condolences to the entire Stecher family. May you find peace and comfort during this time. Prayers, Gerry Crawford and family

March 31 at 8:00 AM



Marcie Hatfield posted:

Sending my condolences to Fred and family. I fondly recall dinners at the Legion with Kathryn and Fred. What a lovely, gracious lady who now has her angel wings.

March 31 at 4:08 AM



Lois Wade lit a candle in honor of Kathryn.

I think of Kathryn often. She and I were Girl Scout Leaders together when our daughters were in grade school. She was a devoted mother and a great help to me with the Girl Scout Troop. I considered her a dear friend. My condolences to her family. Lois Wade



March 31 at 3:17 AM



Lisa Gray posted:

Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs! My deepest sympathy for your loss. I remember Kathryn's infectious smile and endearing personality. Love, Lisa Gray

March 30 at 1:12 PM



Pat Singleton posted:

Fred, I was so very sorry to hear of Kathryn passing. I pray that God gives you and your family peace and comfort. Pat Singleton

March 30 at 12:28 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kathryn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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