



Kathleen Treacy Bainbridge

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Kathleen Treacy Bainbridge was born in 1939 in an England gripped by World War Two. Having survived a bombing in London that left debris on her crib, she grew up in a large Irish Catholic family of seven sisters and one brother.

Kate was determined to never let her voice be drowned out by the crowd. In her youth, she was an avid tennis and badminton player and quickly moved up the ranks at the National Bank of London, an achievement that was unusual for women at that time. Kate was well traveled and appeared on TV on more than one occasion, often to the chagrin of her family. When it came time to start her own family, she set off across the Atlantic Ocean with only her husband and young daughter to carve a new home in the United States.

Kate loved being silly and laughed often no matter what obstacles lay in her way. She was a fierce protector of her family, a bold advocate for children with special needs, a reader to the blind, a spokesperson for public television, a fundraiser, a volunteer and a Master Gardener. Despite all these passions, Kate never stopped believing in her family and pushing them to take chances and live life fully.

Kate traveled far and wide from ascending the Alps in a cable car in Innsbruck, to descending into Lenin's Tomb in Moscow, to sailing down the Rhine, and dancing to the sound of the didgeridoo in Australia, to list just a few of her adventures. She lived a life well lived and passed away from this mortal coil on Thursday, February 10th, peacefully in her sleep.

It would be too difficult to list the number of survivors in her life because for a woman who never met a stranger, would strike up a conversation with anyone, anytime, and readily invite them into her story with love and laughter, the world was her family.

Kate will be missed terribly but we are comforted by the knowledge that she endeavored to make the world just a bit brighter with laughter, love and compassion with the time she had. She was loved by many and left the world a better place through her actions and selflessness.



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The family asks that expressions of sympathy take the form of memorial donations in her name to Botanica Wichita (<https://botanica.org/donate-to-botanica/>)

If you are unable to attend her Celebration of Life, you can attend her services via FuneralVue at the following link: <http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/69774>




Events

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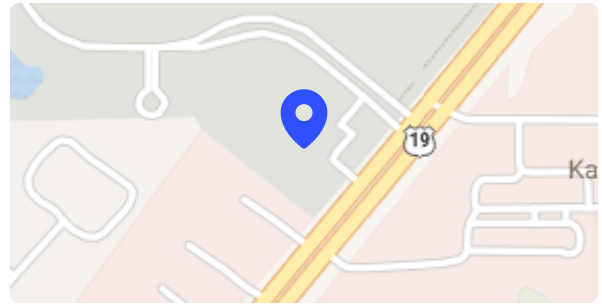
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Visitation


 **Saturday**, February 26, 2022

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Grace Memorial Gardens Funeral Home**
16931 Us Highway 19 North, Hudson FL 34667

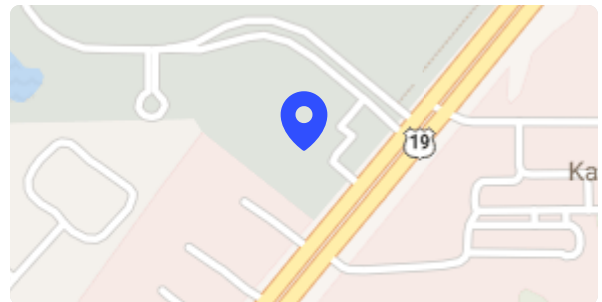


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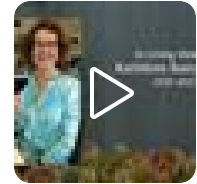
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Grace Memorial Gardens & Funeral Home shared a **Video**.

February 17 at 12:40 PM



Grace Memorial Gardens & Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.

February 21 at 7:13 AM



Mandy Hilsmier posted:

I remember Mrs. bainbridge so fondly. She was always laughing and so positive. I still have the precious baby blanket that she knitted for my firstborn. I used it with all 3 kids & it is still a very precious possession. She was greatly loved ❤️

February 26 at 10:19 AM



Joel And Lynn Bender posted:

Kate was a special, fun, and loving neighbor --- not to mention a wonderful cookie baker. She was such a bright spot during our stays in Timber Pines and during her calls to us in Michigan. We will miss her smile, humor, delightful stories and always remember her voice in the 'radio broadcasts'. Sorry that we cannot be there for the celebration of Kate's life. Joel and Lynn Bender

February 23 at 4:47 AM



Martha Murray posted:

Nicolette, I'm so sorry about the passing of your mother. The way you spoke of her during the time we worked together in TN reflected the fact that she was a remarkable and special lady. My condolences, Martha Murray

February 21 at 3:49 PM



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Verla Allen posted:

I became acquainted with Kate through the MG program in Wichita. Kate was such a kind & gracious lady & friend to all, She was a wonderful encouragement to our family when our grandchild was born with disabilities. Heaven is a brighter place with Kate!

February 17 at 1:02 PM



Sara And Wes sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Bainbridge family.



February 16 at 2:31 PM



Susan Havener posted:

Kate was so much fun to be around. I got to know her on the Youth Ed. committee of the Master Gardeners in Wichita. She was fun and cheerful and dedicated to whatever she was doing for the committee! I have missed seeing her sweet smile.Susan Havener

February 16 at 2:03 PM



Ngalynn Baumgartner posted:

I have many good memories of Kate. We were neighbors for several years and she treated us like her family. She was a Grandmother to our daughter Hannah never forgetting a Birthday a Valentine's Day or Christmas. Kate will live on in our hearts and in our thoughts and it was a privilege to know her.

February 15 at 5:59 PM



Ron, Ngalynn And Hannah Baumgartner lit a candle in honor of Kathleen.



February 15 at 5:51 PM



Anonymous sent a Blue Caribbean Bouquet to the Bainbridge family.



February 15 at 10:55 AM



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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