



## Ms. Frances Kathryn Yoder

February 17, 1954 - December 21, 2021

Frances Kathryn “Kathy” Yoder, 67, of Columbia, passed peacefully from this life on Tuesday, December 21, 2021. Born on February 17, 1954, in Goldsboro, NC, she was a daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Harold Monroe and Selena Kime Yoder.

Although dealt a mean hand in early life, Kathy’s feisty, determined spirit led her to seek out and experience much fulfillment. She was a devoted former member of St. Andrews and Gethsemane Lutheran Churches and participated in church activities whenever possible. Kathy especially loved her family, church and friends. She found much pleasure in singing, playing the autoharp, crafting, and spent many hours creating needlepoint and latch hook pieces. Kathy enjoyed reading and was an avid letter writer. She adored attending summer camp sessions at Lutheridge (Arden, NC) and traveled on frequent camping adventures with her parents. Family and friends remember Kathy as being a sweet, loving soul who cared deeply about others, gave great hugs and made folks smile.

Survivors include brother, Dr. Eric M. Yoder (Claire); sister, Mary Ann Watson (Jeff); nephews, Glenn Yoder (Genevieve), Joshua Yoder (Krystina), and Jeffrey O. Watson; nieces, Emily Yoder Wilcox (James), Maggie Stewart (Brian), and Jessie Yoder; great nephews and nieces, Owen, Jonathan, Jordyn, and ‘Nika. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her brother, Craig Yoder.

The memorial service for Ms. Yoder will be held at 12 o'clock on Saturday, February 26th, at Shives Funeral Home, Trenholm Road Chapel, 7600 Trenholm Road Ext., Columbia, SC 29223. The family will receive friends an hour prior to the service beginning at 11 o'clock. Due to the COVID-19 virus, the family kindly requests all guests wear a mask and follow CDC guidelines.

Memorials may be made to Lutheridge and the Babcock Center.

# Comments

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“ An external video has been added.



**Shives Funeral Home** - February 27 at 06:09 PM

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Shives Funeral Home** - February 25 at 04:31 PM



“ Beautiful tribute!

**Terri Glasscock** - February 26 at 05:55 PM



“ A very heart felt, beautiful tribute. Much Love, Sharon Kime

**Sharon Kime** - February 27 at 12:03 AM



“ A tender and touching tribute to one so very dear.

Louise Smithwick

**Louise Smithwick** - March 11 at 06:29 PM

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Shives Funeral Home** - February 24 at 06:25 PM

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“ A truly beautiful soul, Kathy always reached for the stars and stayed joyful. She bore her illness bravely for many years. She loved being with people, especially her brothers and sisters as they did family singing and sharing. Her life was full and she lived and was loved.

claire yoder - February 25 at 04:23 PM

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“ 69 files added to the album LifeTributes



Shives Funeral Home - February 25 at 04:19 PM

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“ To Mary Ann and Eric,

My deepest condolences on the passing of Kathy from this physical world. I have such fond childhood memories of her when we lived in Catonsville.

I'm keeping the family in my prayers especially during this difficult time. But somehow knowing that she is with mom and dad and brother Craig, she is no doubt smiling and free of pain and watching over you with love.

Love,

Terri Glasscock (Severe)



Terri Glasscock (Severe) - December 28, 2021 at 11:54 PM

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“ To Mary Ann and Eric and family I send my deepest condolences. Living by the Yoder family for many years, I had the pleasure of getting to know Frances well. She had a gentle spirit and always had a smile for others. She was a blessing to all who knew her. I am so sorry for the pain of your loss. Thinking of you all. Sending love hugs and prayers  
Carolyn Dockery Reed



**Carolyn Dockery Reed** - December 28, 2021 at 10:50 AM