



## Kay Kennedy

February 13, 1935 - January 4, 2026

Kay Kennedy, 90, of Hopedale, passed away peacefully on January 4, 2026, at Sienna Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation in Wintersville, Ohio.

Born on February 13, 1935, in Canton, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Chalmer Chaddock and Odessa Close.

Kay graduated from Carrollton High School in 1953. She was very independent, meeting life with strength and determination. She loved spending time playing cards with her friends, moments that brought her great joy. An avid Pittsburgh Pirates fan, she proudly showed her devotion by naming her beloved cat "Cutch" after her favorite player, Andrew McCutchen.

She was a woman of deep faith, living each day as a devoted Christian guided by God's word. Her church was an important part of her life, and she faithfully served as an elder at the Presbyterian Church in Hopedale, Ohio.

Kay is survived by her daughter, Mary Carol (Charles) Garlinger of Hopedale; son, Jeffrey (Tracy) Kennedy of Kilgore; five grandchildren, Andrew (Jennifer) Garlinger of Hopedale, Emily (Jeffrey) Chisnell of Cadiz, Alec (Beki) Birtcher of Dover, Eian (Brandi) Birtcher of Dover, and Adam (Sydney) Birtcher of Canton; and great grandchildren, Maddison and Brycen Chisnell, Parker, Joshua, Mason, Sam and Ophelia Birtcher. .

Along with her parents she was preceded in death by her brother, Paul Chaddock (1947); her sister, Mary Stringer (1964); very close niece, Carol Raber; and nephews, Donnie and Jim Stringer.

A Memorial Service for Kay will be held Saturday, January 10, 2025 at 1 p.m. in Hopedale United Presbyterian Church in Hopedale, Ohio. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until time of services in the church.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in Kay's name to the Alzheimer's Association, PO Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Hopedale United Presbyterian Church  
219 Church Street  
Hopedale, OH 43976

## Service

JAN 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I remember Kay from my childhood. She was kind, welcoming, and liked to laugh. She loved her family and her Pittsburgh sports teams. She was a great lady!

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**Joey Kennedy** - January 07 at 08:54 AM

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“ One of my favorite ladies at church ! Always kind and always helpful. My mother loved her as did everyone she knew. God has her in His hands.

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**Vickie Coffland** - January 05 at 09:53 PM

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“ Kay was a second mother to me while growing up. Her patience with Jeff and I was nothing short of Saintly. Please accept my condolences for your loss.

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**Troy Hooper** - January 05 at 06:49 PM