



Carolyn H. Kidd

February 5, 2021

Betty Carolyn Hedgepeth Kidd, loving wife, mother, and grandmother, passed away peacefully at the age of 83 on February 5, 2021. She was born in Portsmouth, Virginia, where she lived her entire life. Carolyn was married to her high school sweetheart, Wiley M. Kidd, Sr. for 64 years. She was the daughter of the late Albert Anderson Hedgepeth and Virginia Leitner Hedgepeth, and predeceased by her sister, Janet Hedgepeth Burnside.

Carolyn graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School, attended Westhampton College, and was a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. She was a member of Westhaven Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School, sang in the Chancel Choir, and was active in the Ellen Douglas Oliver Circle. Carolyn was a talented musician and taught piano for over 40 years. She was an accomplished seamstress designing, sewing, and altering clothing for her family, and stitching beautiful quilts and hand embroidery. Carolyn was an avid reader. She researched and planned family vacations and traveled extensively both internationally and within the United States. Carolyn graciously hosted family gatherings, birthdays, and holiday celebrations leaving us with many cherished memories. She was a loving caregiver for her grandmother, mother, sister, aunt, uncle, nieces, nephew, and grandson. Carolyn will be dearly missed by her family and friends.

She leaves her devoted children, Wiley Kidd, Jr. of New York, NY, Sherry

Kidd, husband Scott Lyons, and beloved grandson William Kidd Lyons of Durham, PA. “The song is ended, but the melody lingers on . . .” - Irving Berlin

A memorial service celebrating Carolyn’s life will be held at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to Westhaven Baptist Church. (4900 Caroline Ave., Portsmouth, VA 23707 or online at westhavenbaptist.church).

Tribute Wall

RO

“ O how I loved Mrs. Kidd, who was a constant, a gift, a patient and loving presence in my life for a decade. What beauty she brought and represented My deepest condolences to Wiley and all the family. She was a wondrous spirit, deeply loved.

Renee Olander - February 15, 2021 at 11:12 PM

GG

“ Wiley, I offer my condolences to you and your extended Family and Friends at this time of great loss. May Peace be with you.

Gabbo Galbreath - February 14, 2021 at 07:56 AM



“ The Kidds were our favorite neighbors and Carolyn was a beautiful sole. She taught us piano. We shared in family celebrations. She made us feel like family. Carolyn will be missed dearly. May her memory be a blessing.

Scott Levin - February 11, 2021 at 07:12 AM

LK

“ My fondest Christmas memories were going to Aunt Carolyn's for Christmas Eve. As the years passed we were able to spend more time together of which I have special memories. She will be missed greatly by all of us who were blessed to have her in our lives.

LORI KIDD - February 10, 2021 at 10:45 PM

HJ

Wiley & family, Carol and I are deeply saddened to learn of Carolyn's passing. Carolyn was one of the kindest, thoughtful and caring person I have ever met. I know she will be deeply missed by every one who had the pleasure to know her, but, most of all by you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very sad and difficult time.

*Sincerely,
Carol & Hank Turner*

Henry C Turner Jr - February 14, 2021 at 11:40 AM

RW

*To Wiley , Wiley, Jr. and Family,
So sorry for your loss. Carolyn was such a wonderful person. She was so kind to Sandy and me. She took such good care of us when we joined the Friday group. Such a good person. She will always be in our prayers.*

Richard & Sandy Wood

Richard & Sandy Wood - February 23, 2021 at 08:11 AM

LM

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mrs. Kidd's passing. I have so many happy memories with the whole family because you have always been a part of our life. Not just at Westhaven Church, as my Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Teacher, but teaching me the piano. I'm so thankful that she was my piano teacher. She taught me for thirteen years after starting lessons at five. God bless all of you and may He bring you comfort. My prayers are with you.



Laurel Cooke Miles - February 10, 2021 at 07:30 PM

PH

“ Please accept our deepest condolences from my family to yours.

Phillip Hedgepeth - February 09, 2021 at 07:42 PM

BK

“ *A sweet woman who gave a lot and asked little in return.*

May she be remembered for her kindness and Rest In Peace.

Bernie Kirsch - February 09, 2021 at 11:50 AM

CC

“ *I am so sorry about Carolyn. My fondest memory was being the flower girl in your Wedding. Loves and prayers. Cindy*

Cindy Snyder Corcoran - February 09, 2021 at 10:38 AM

GR

“ *Wiley, I'm saddened to learn of Carolyn's passing. The both of you were such an inspiration to all who knew and loved you. We shall miss her smiling face at our Woodrow Wilson Class reunions. My prayers are lifted up for all of your family.*

Grace Keel Ripley-Jones - February 08, 2021 at 08:03 PM

SW

“ *To Wiley and Family,
Our Deepest Sympathy to you and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*



Stuart and Susie Wells - February 08, 2021 at 07:28 PM

BR

“ A Dear Friend since our JR Hi days, and Special part of a Group that has been very close in our adult years. Our hearts ache for Wiley and family in their loss, yet know she has now been able to sing that great song....”I’ve Just Seen Jesus”
God Bless

Billy & Peggy Ricks - February 08, 2021 at 06:53 PM