



## Kathryn Mallard Callan

September 6, 1945 - January 29, 2023

On Sunday, January 29, 2023 Kathryn Mallard Callan, 77, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away following a very brief illness. Kathryn was born in Smithfield, North Carolina to Vass and Rena Mallard. The youngest of three children, Kathryn was a beloved daughter and sister. In 1973, Kathryn married the love of her life, Bob, and they spent 49 years together as adoring partners and best friends. Together they had two daughters, Erin and Jennifer. Kathryn was a kind, engaged and devoted mother who nurtured her daughters in school, activities and life. Through many moves to different cities, she was a pillar and constant to her husband and family. When her three grandchildren were born, she and Bob returned to Tallahassee where she poured her love into them. They loved the time spent with their Mimi and Pops.

An avid reader, Kathryn devoured books of all types and enthusiastically shared them with her friends and family. She and Bob shared a love of travel and were frequently exploring new cities and countries. Always curious, Kathryn wanted to learn about people, nature, food and cultures. She joined every organization and tried every activity, forming deep bonds with friends in each.

But, most of all, Kathryn had a way of making everyone feel special. She sent cards and notes, picked up small gifts for her friends and family that she thought they would like, texted funny jokes and kept in touch with her friends

all over the country. She loved to gather everyone in her home, marking each occasion with flowers, decorations and all of the small touches that made it feel like an event. She celebrated everything, large and small, with enthusiasm and joy.

Kathryn is preceded in death by her mother, father and brother, Howard. She is survived by her love, Bob, her daughters Erin Callan (Brent) and Jennifer White (Jason), three grandchildren Sutton, William and Campbell, her sister Anne and her pup Brady. Kathryn leaves behind countless friends who cherish and love her.

A memorial Mass will be held at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Tallahassee on Friday, February 3, 2023 at 11:00 am. Following the service, a celebration of life will take place in the adjacent Parish Hall. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to St. Francis Wildlife, an organization that Kathryn loved to support.

"We were together. I forget the rest." - Walt Whitman

Rocky Bevis of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the family with their arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ Erin, My thoughts and prayets go out to you and your family. I know that your mom will truly be miss by her family and friends. Jeanine

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**Jeanine Pumphrey** - February 01, 2023 at 09:22 PM

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“ My thoughts & prayers goes out to Bob, Erin, Jen & all the Family. I will miss Kathryn's smile. She was a kindhearted & loving person. I will miss her on the special occasions we were together.

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**Daisy White Simpkins** - February 01, 2023 at 09:00 PM

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“ Bob and family, Angela and I learned about your loss of Kathryn today from the FHWA Retirees' email. We are of course shocked and saddened. We worked together, partied together, and shared stories together for several assignments and over many years. Kathryn was always making the best of any situation. She was always ready and steady. Made everyone's lives better.

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**Jim St. John** - February 01, 2023 at 02:30 PM

PK

“ Kathryn was all class, with a touch of sass, and love-filled. There has never been a more loyal, gracious and loving gal than Kathryn. We are beyond grateful for the beautiful friendship we shared over the years and miles. While our hearts are broken with her passing, we will always cherish the happy memories we have of her. Kathryn legacy of love is forever embedded in our hearts. Ed & Pam K.

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**P Kuester** - February 01, 2023 at 11:47 AM



*Kathryn had become a special new star in our PEO chapter. We are so grateful for her willingness to jump in during COVID and be part of our group. She enjoyed helping interview a student for one of our PEO scholarships and being an officer. Her sunny attitude and love for people were contagious for our sisterhood. We will miss her as a friend and as a sister.*

*Love to Kathryn's family and our heartfelt sorrow for their loss of a dear wife , mother, and grandmother.*

*Cheryl Van Ostrand, PEO Sister*

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**Cheryl Van Ostrand** - February 02, 2023 at 08:52 AM