



## Rozolyn Carol Eckman

July 10, 1944 - December 13, 2023

It is with bittersweet gratitude and heartfelt sorrow that I announce the passing of my generous, kind-hearted and loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, dear friend to many and Faithful servant of God, Rozolyn Carol Eckman (née Knight). She passed peacefully at her home in Severn on 13 December 2023 from Cancer. No one knew she had cancer as she wanted to live out her life without anyone “fussing” over her. She was a very private individual and we honored her wishes. She did it her way. She was to begin Hospice services the day she passed but she had other plans.

Rozolyn was born in Mitchells Field (East Meadow), Long Island, NY to Richard Uhler Knight and Carolyn Elizabeth Knight (née Jones) in 1944. Later, Rozolyn moved with her parents back to their hometown of Glen Burnie, MD where she grew up surrounded by her loving and devoted grandparents, Howard Veasey Jones and Gladys Caroline Burns and a brother, Richard, a myriad of cousins, dear friends and her 2nd family, the Eckman Family.

Rozolyn (Rozy) attended GBHS and graduated in 1962. She excelled in many things at GBHS and was a dear and loyal friend to all that knew her. After graduation, Rozolyn gained employment at the NSA where she worked for many years. She was very active her entire life devoting her life to her Sub-Debs, her sorority, her friends and even selling Avon for several years to which she perfected. She later left the NSA to raise their only daughter, Priscilla, making sure that she was well-educated in every aspect of life and instilling in her a rich and deep Faith in God and unconditional kindness for all.

Mid-life, Rozolyn, began a 2nd career with TFCU which she worked until her retirement, never having taken one sick day.

Rozolyn became a member of Harundale Presbyterian Church in 1964 for her wedding and remained a faithful and steadfast parishioner of her beloved HPC. Her church family was very important to her as she was very active in the Choir, Handbell Choir, a Deacon, Circle Groups, Steven Ministries, a weekly volunteer for the Church Pantry and many other HPC committees. But more importantly, it was her church family that she loved and the long-lasting friendships she gained.

Rozolyn ("Bup") leaves behind her three cherished and beloved grandchildren, Andrew Thomas, Katherine Thomas, and Matthew Thomas. Her unconditional and devotion to her three grandchildren will forever be remembered and instilled in their hearts. She never missed a game, match, school event or celebration! They were her everything. She also leaves behind, her only child, Priscilla Thomas and her beloved "son"-in-law, Michael Thomas and one brother, Richard Knight. In addition to her family, she leaves behind many dear friends and neighbors (near and far) with whom she loved like family.

Goodnight, Momma.

In Memory and in Love for Rozolyn Carol Knight Eckman

My mother, she was beautiful, inside and out.

Sweet, Faithful and so true.

A best friend from the beginning

To me, my family and you.

There are times when others hurt us,

Your mother you always turn.

To listen, help and guide you,

And she asks nothing in return.

As she grows older, wrinkles and wiser,  
Her mind not as sharp,  
She has much to teach us everyday,  
And life lessons to impart.

One day she must depart this world,  
And venture to Heaven above.  
Hold close to your heart her dear memories  
And her unconditional love.

As I sit here and see your picture, mom,  
I hear your voice inside my head.  
I cherish all of our beautiful talks,  
And I refuse to believe you are dead.

Instead, I know you are Living,  
With God and our Angels above.  
Keeping watch over each of us  
In God's Glory and God's love.

Dearest God, remember my mother  
With you whom now is above.  
Please tell her how much we miss her,

And please give her all of our love.

Good night, mamma. Sleep well with the Angels and fly high on "Eagles Wings".

I love you, forever and always.

Priscilla xx

Matthew 5:4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

In light of the holidays, services will not be held immediately. We are hoping to have a celebration of life but that date has yet to be determined. In lieu of flowers, please feel free to donate to the Hospice of the Chesapeake and/or Harundale Presbyterian Church.

# Tribute Wall

TL

“ Rozolyn mailed a card to me every week about getting well from cancer and not once mentioned that she had cancer too. She was a beautiful woman that brought sunshine to my day every time I saw her at church and sing she could with that beautiful voice. She will be dearly missed.

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**Toni Leazer** - January 02, 2024 at 09:53 PM

SF

“ Where to start when you have so many memories , all of them wonderful ! I really became good friends with Roz when I joined the bell choir at church in 2005 , she was always so encouraging and told me what a great job I was doing. We served on the board of deacons in 2008 and there again she was so faithful in encouraging me that I would be a wonderful deacon. We served many years on the worship committee ; she had a knack of getting things done in her own special way. We talked at least once a week and it could be for an hour or more; she would say \" who needs therapists when we have each other ! \" I was one of the friends who would be her transportation and it was such a delight picking her up and getting to chat all the way to where we were going. She was the most faithful gracious and loving people I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. At the end of every conversation or on my answering machine we would say \" I love you \" and she would always end it with \" tell Paul I said hi \" ... that meant the world to both of us. She was such a bright light and had the spark in sparkle. She LOVED her family so much and was so proud of each one of them ; she would get tears in her eyes whenever she spoke of them. I am going to miss my sweet friend for the rest of my life. I hope she knows just how much she meant to all of us. I love you so much Roz ... may you rest in eternal peace.

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**Sue Fake** - December 20, 2023 at 05:37 PM

EG

“ I am saddened to here of Roz's passing. I sat in front of Roz in the choir for many many years she had the voice of an angel. I know she will be missed by many. Rest in peace Roz.

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**ELSIE Graboski** - December 20, 2023 at 04:15 PM

JC

“ Roz and I have been friends for longer than I can remember. She is such a loving and caring individual. This past year when I was going through a very difficult time, She would call me every week since last December. She also sent cards to my partner who suffered a stroke in Dec. 22.\nThe cards meant the world to Charlie. She supported both of us. She kept her own difficulties to herself so others didn't worry about her. She loved her family and supported Linda and her family during their difficulties this Year. Roz was a very special person that is going to be missed. God Bless her.\nLove, Joan

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**Joan Collett** - December 20, 2023 at 08:21 AM

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“ Roz was like my older sister. She was a dear friend, and many hours were spent on the phone comparing our aches and pains, talking about TV shows we enjoyed, or the royal family. She was caring, sharing and always gracious. I can still hear her saying, \"Hey, Girly Girl\" or Okey dokey, Smokey.\" She loved her grandchildren with a passion and was so proud of them. I will miss her until the day I join her in God's kingdom.

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**Linda Oller** - December 19, 2023 at 09:58 AM

DR

“ Our prayers are with you as we grieve the loss of our dear sister roz. I will always remember taking stray hair from her shirt during choir rehearsals. She was a giver of love and laughter. Love,  
Dorothy Ramsay

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**Dorothy Ramsay** - December 19, 2023 at 08:54 AM

KA

“ To my loving Bup:\n\nIt's difficult to believe that you are no longer on this Earthly plane gracing us with your unwavering kindness, everlasting love, and care for those around you. You never missed one of our events - from sports matches to Grandparent's Day - you were there for all of our big life moments, cheering us on. There are so many wonderful memories to cherish together, most recently watching the Coronation with you over tea, crumpets, & PIMS... and then snuggling on the couch together that evening. \n\nMy heart aches knowing I will never hug you again, knowing I will never receive another "I'm watching your flight!" text...and never hearing your voice once more telling me you love me always and forever. It's never the "right" time to say goodbye, especially to a light in our life like you, Bup. Despite the pain of losing you, I (Mom, Dad, Andrew, and Matthew) take comfort in knowing you are in God's loving embrace watching over us...and perhaps befriending the Queen ❤️. \n\nYou will always be my Bup. I love you forever & always. \n\nYour Sweetpea, Katherine ❤️

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**Katherine** - December 18, 2023 at 06:49 PM

BW

“ Rozelyn was always a gracious lady to me. All those years ago I remember saying to my wife that Roz seems to glow with happiness. She was loved by many and now she's found comfort. Sending love and compassion to all the family. \nBob Watts

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**Bob Watts** - December 17, 2023 at 07:08 PM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ *Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Rozolyn Carol Eckman** - December 15, 2023 at 10:25 AM