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Peggy Ann went to be with her Lord and Savior on January 29, 2023 peacefully in her sleep at 12:38 pm at 'Comforts of Home Senior Care'. She was born at Abington Hospital in Abington PA. in Montgomery County growing up on Willow Brook Farm, as the only daughter of Margaret H. White and Harry Lewis Kahler PhD.(chemistry) Peggy attended and graduated from Neshaminy High School in 1958 with one of her best friends Diane Hogeland with whom she still talked to every week.

Peggy attended Mary Washington University in Fredericksburg , VA and then transferred to Hope College in Holland Michigan where she graduated on schedule in 1962.

Peggy's family had decided to move to California in 1967 when her father unexpectedly passed away, however, Peggy and her Mother decided to go ahead with the move and Santa Barbara became their forever home. Peggy never wasted any time and went straight to work. She was a 4th grade bilingual teacher at Carpinteria Main Elementary school for 38 years from September 1967 until June 2005. Her organizational skills were unparalleled in everything she owned. She was loved by all for her kindness and compassion for others.

Several of Peggy's summers were spent in Spain from where she traveled all over Europe and continued to travel worldwide with family and friends.

After her retirement in 2005 she became the librarian for Santa Barbara Christian School for many years until her eyesight became a problem.

Peggy was very active at Trinity Baptist Church as a Deaconess, Oaks Bible Church as a Deaconess, alto in the choir and as 'decorator' for every season and potluck at the churches . She attended all the choir programs put on for the Marines at Camp Pendleton and all the Christmas concerts up until 2021 at Oaks Bible Church. She enjoyed Christian music and especially Christmas music since that was her favorite time of the year. Let the decorating begin!

Peggy loved teaching children and for almost 2 decades she volunteered one week a year

to Royal Family Kids camp, which is a camp for 'children at risk' ages 6-12 years. Peggy would spend countless hours under the shade of a big Oak tree listening to and talking with all the children who wanted to just 'slow down' a bit and play games with her. The wisdom imparted under that tree to those children was priceless.

Peggy donated to several charities and missions which demonstrated her loving, generous and kind heart. She loved her cats and Chita was with her to the end. She was also an avid patriot and very proud of our military troops and veterans who fought for "her" country and kept it free. July 4th was always a party for Peggy! More decorating!

Peggy's passion for teaching children was dwarfed only by her love for Jesus and sharing Him with all she came in contact with.

She is survived by her childhood friends Sue DeCresente and Diane Hogeland, several school colleagues and friends, members of the Barbour family, first cousins once removed Elizabeth G. Frazee, (Timothy T. Myers) & daughter Avery F. Myers, Jonathon W. Frazee & children Justin R., Cori T., and Caitlin S. Frazee and Stanley S. Frazee & children Lane and Julia Frazee along with her entire Oaks Bible family.

A Memorial Service will be held at Oaks Bible Church, 400 Puente Dr. on Saturday, February 18, 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Royal Kids Camp at royalfamilykidssb.com or Animal Shelter Assistance Program (ASAP) cat rescue at asapcats.org

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 18. 11:00 AM (PT)

Oaks Bible Church
400 Puente Dr.
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Tribute Wall

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“Peggy Kahler was my Sunday school teacher and Pioneer Girls leader at Trinity Baptist. I just loved her, and I am thankful for her witness and discipleship to me during those years. I wish I had known about her homegoing sooner so I could be at her celebration of life. She is with Jesus now, Praise the Lord.

Heather White - February 18, 2023 at 01:13 PM

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Lantz Barbour - February 15, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“Aunt Peggy Ann was one of my Grammys very dear friends. I remember growing up as a young girl and always being so excited when Peggy Ann was in town visiting from Santa Barbara. When I was in 1st grade I decided I wanted to send my flat Stanley to her. It was so special to me that I still have the envelope of flat Stanley goodies that she got together for me from over 10 years ago! Her bright spirit will be forever remembered. Thank you Peggy Ann for blessing us with your infectious smile and love for education ❤️

Kelly Gaebel - February 08, 2023 at 09:31 PM



Another memory I have was when I first was moving out to California I visited her in SB with my boyfriend at the time. She had a picture of us hanging next to her door when we walked in. I loved her color themed rooms as well, she is one of my main inspirations when it comes to education and children. Love you Peggy xoxo

Kelly Gaebel - February 08, 2023 at 09:37 PM

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So pleased to see messages posted by my sweet Granddaughter, Kelly Gaebel. This is from her Grammy!

Peggy Ann Kahler has been a friend of mine for many years. Growing up, we went to the same school together and were in the same Senior Girl Scout troop. Her dear Mom was our Scout Leader and full of ideas and fun things for teenage girls to do. We had activities with the local Sea Scouts and Senior Boy Scout Troop. At that age, girls were leaving Scouting for other activities. But Mrs. Kahler knew how to keep the girls involved - boys! We did many community service projects with the Sea Scouts and Senior Boy Scout Troop.

Peggy Ann, like her mom, was very creative with original and fun activities. She taught us many songs and games during our Senior Girl Scout days.

Years later while on a visit to Santa Barbara to see Mrs. Kahler and Peggy Ann, they always planned activities and wonderful restaurants to try (only after they had tested them firsthand). I enjoyed visiting Peggy Ann's classroom in Carpinteria and was impressed with the display of Missions created by the students. We also visited the Santa Barbara Zoo and said "Hi" to the famous giraffe with the crooked neck. Peggy Ann told me she would take class trips to the zoo. Being creative as she was, she had the students do a Scavenger Hunt in the zoo. What a clever teaching tool!

Visits to Santa Barbara were always a favorite thanks to Peggy Ann being the best tourist guide possible.

In later years, she would return to where she grew up in Bucks County, Pennsylvania (outside of Philadelphia). We visited her homestead where her mom was a breeder of collies, and her home in my neighborhood where we held our Scout meetings. She loved to visit our church and see the pew dedicated in memory of her parents who were very active church members. We enjoyed getting together with our Girl Scout friends, as well as other childhood friends, and reminiscing about "fun times." In the more recent past, her visits here were to be with her cousin who had Huntingdon's Disease. She was very devoted to him and took him out for adventures as long as he was able.

She was always a devout Christian. "Well done good and faithful servant." Rest in Peace dear friend.

*Susan Hall Gaebel DeCrescente
Warrington, Bucks County, Pennsylvania*

Susan H Decrescente - February 11, 2023 at 04:51 PM

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Lantz Barbour - February 08, 2023 at 04:16 PM