



## Alice Mary (Kelly) Boltz

January 30, 2019

Alice Mary (Kelly) Boltz, 72, of Lancaster, died on Wednesday, January 30, 2019. Born in Girardville PA, she was the daughter of the late Harry J. and Catherine Meehan Kelly.

Alice was a superhero – she mothered a family of 9 from age 23, was a master gardener, musician, talented seamstress, artist, successful businesswoman, loving family member and friend and inspiration to all whom she met. She was smart and passionate about learning, achieving honors in her Bachelor of Arts from Millersville University and tutoring countless children throughout her life. She was a dedicated friend and natural caregiver to the elderly. She loved to sing, dance and celebrate life. She built a close and dedicated community of loving family and friends who thrive in her spirit and memory.

Alice is survived by her sons: Steve and Fred in New York City and their daughters: Tawni and Anja, and by her children: Kathy, Kris and Karen in Arizona, George in Michigan and Karl in Lancaster, PA, and to date: eleven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Her siblings: Peg Gerrity, Frackville, PA and Tom and Justine Kelly, Lancaster, PA, their children and families: Megan and Mike Scherer, Danville PA, Kelly Ann and Francesco Logozzo, Ashland, PA, Tom Kelly, Jr., Boston and Andrew Kelly of Philadelphia carry on her great legacy.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Alice's Celebration of Life memorial service at The Groffs Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA on Saturday, February 16, 2019 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. The family will receive friends until 4:30 p.m.

Honoring her dedication to dignity and grace in all people throughout life, in lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions in Alice's name may be made to Hospice and Community Care of Lancaster at <https://www.hospiceconnect.org/appeal>

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **16**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

The Groff's Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Alice Mary (Kelly) Boltz*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Boltz Family,*

*My last memory of Alice was at Michelle (Miller) Walnock's wedding. We shared memories of her teenage years of growing up in Girardville with my sister-in law Mary Lee (Roche) Miller. They were almost always together. Alice was one of the sweetest people I ever met, yet she had a wild & crazy sense of humor. Alice and I danced at that wedding, laughed, had fun, shared many memories from the past, hugged when we left and didn't see each other since, although did sometimes keep in touch via email. Still, I was devastated to hear of her passing as I loved her, she had a special place in my heart.*



*To her family, please accept my sincerest sympathy. Take heart in knowing that she's in a far better place watching over all of you, awaiting the day when you can all join her in glory.  
Sincerely, Elizabeth (Roche) Hand*

Elizabeth A. Hand - February 20, 2019 at 07:03 PM

RC

“ I first met Alice in Madagascar over 20 years ago and we immediately became buddies. I had the good fortune of seeing Alice in Gainesville in the late 90s early 2000s and Oakton Va. from 2008-12 when she would visit Fred and Anja. My wife and two sons also had the pleasure of getting to know Alice during her visits. As for stories and memories, there are many. One I distinctly remember was when Fred received his PhD in 2003; I was sitting next to Alice in the audience, and Fred was on stage with the other graduates, when the UF President said, "family are invited to come up here and join the graduates." Next thing I know, I get an elbow to the ribs and Alice says to me, "get your butt up there; you're like a brother." At that moment, and many times since, I thoroughly enjoyed Alice's honesty and directness; when you were with Alice you were in a genuine "no spin zone" - refreshing. I also fondly remember her great sense of humor and seemingly endless source of energy. Alice didn't need a GPS; every day she would set her "compass" and simply go. When her travels took her to Gainesville or Oakton, we would talk politics, social trends, economics, family, and of course, football (i.e., Steelers); all discussions were fueled with colorful, descriptive language and beverages; those were good times. We will miss her, but her spirit lives on through her family and friends.  
RIP my friend.

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**Rob Clausen** - February 15, 2019 at 09:50 PM

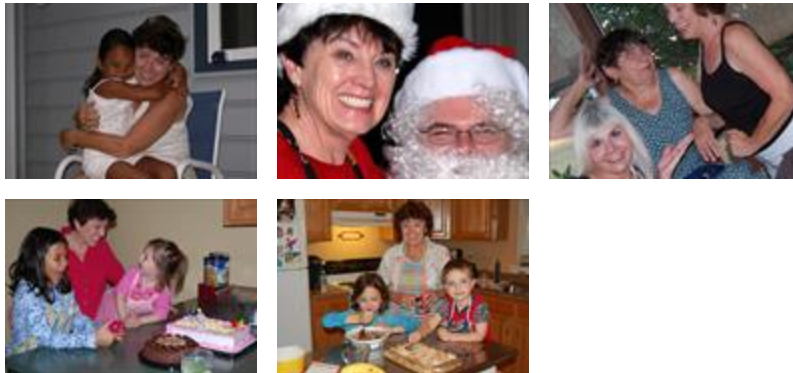
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“ Alice and I were good friends and conspirators throughout elementary school and into high school. We worked hard together at school and played just as hard when we went home from school. One of my favorite memories of our time together was on a number of Friday afternoons in 8th grade. When we finished our class assignments we were sent to the 1st and 2nd grade classroom to watch the kids so Sister Lillian Marie could take care of other duties. We had so much fun with the kids and of course, Alice was the lead teacher. We spent most of the time reading to the students and having them read to us. It was a definite omen of things to come.

Kathi Clarke Reed - February 11, 2019 at 10:21 AM



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The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - February 11, 2019 at 09:48 AM

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Kathi Clarke Reed - February 11, 2019 at 09:12 AM

JS

“ Remembering good times with my dear friend. All of our lives have been enriched by your presence in them 💕💕



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**Jamie Seery** - February 09, 2019 at 01:39 PM

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“ I met Alice more than thirty years ago. How can anyone compress their thought of thirty years into a few words, when describing spending a day with her could fill volumes. I get tired just thinking about some of our adventures. Nearly twenty-seven years ago Alice came to our wedding, she had never met my mother before that day and I'm pretty sure has never seen her since, but to this day mom asks about Alice like after just a few hours they were lifelong friends. That was Alice.

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**Rich Harper** - February 08, 2019 at 11:40 AM