



Katherine Moore Keeley, M.D.

May 26, 1952 - March 13, 2026

Katherine Moore Keeley, M.D., a Sarasota pediatrician and devoted advocate for vulnerable children, died March 13, 2026, in Sarasota, Florida. She was 73. Born May 26, 1952, in Louisville, Kentucky, she was the daughter of Rogers Thomas Moore and Katherine Hogan Elliott.

Dr. Keeley devoted her life to the care and protection of children. A pediatrician in Sarasota since 1990, she practiced in several pediatric offices throughout the community before joining First Physicians Group in 2015, where she continued her work at FPG Pediatrics at Lakewood Ranch until 2026. She served for fifteen years as Medical Director of Sarasota's Child Protection Center, where she worked tirelessly to advocate for children who had experienced abuse or neglect. At Sarasota Memorial Hospital she held numerous leadership roles, including Chief of Staff, and served on virtually every service committee during her decades of service. In 2017 she received Sarasota Memorial's Lifetime Achievement Award, an honor typically bestowed near the end of a physician's career. True to form, Dr. Keeley continued practicing medicine for nine more years.

Her colleagues respected her rigorous standards, deep sense of responsibility, and unwavering commitment to the well-being of her patients. Dr. Keeley retired only nine days before her passing. She often told friends and family that "work is my happy place," and those who loved her may take

comfort in knowing that she continued caring for patients for as long as she possibly could.

Dr. Keeley attended Hollins University in Virginia and later earned her medical degree from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. During her studies she spent a year in Paris studying art history, an experience that deepened a lifelong love of culture and literature. She completed her pediatric residency at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center from 1979 to 1981.

It is, of course, difficult for any obituary to capture the essence of a person, but the task is doubly hard for Katherine Keeley, a woman who, beyond her professional career, contained vast multitudes. She was a wordsmith with an encyclopedic knowledge of literature and poetry, as well as art, film, and architecture. Since her teenage years she kept journals filled with quotations and passages that moved her, writing down lines from novels and films, verses of poetry, song lyrics, and aphorisms or sayings that she loved.

Dr. Keeley's relentlessly cheerful optimism and gentle smile were not merely a professional façade, she was the same person at home with her family and among her friends. Colleagues and patients often noticed that she was always singing or humming, an unconscious habit that seemed meant to bring light to those around her.

Fiercely devoted to her children, she sacrificed in countless ways to support and guide them. Katherine had a remarkable way of making each person she encountered, not just her children and grandchildren, but her friends, colleagues, patients, and coworkers, feel as though they too were part of her most intimate internal world, a place of safety, support, guidance, and love. And yet, despite this openness, she was also a deeply private person. Friends sometimes joked that she shopped at Publix at seven in the morning, often wearing sunglasses, so that a quick run for milk would not turn into a series of

informal pediatric consultations in the grocery aisle. Even in her final weeks, she remained far more interested in the lives and concerns of others than in her own challenges.

She is survived by her children, Samuel Blaine Keeley Jr. of Nuremberg, Germany, Katherine Wakefield McDonald of Lakeland, Florida, and John Clement Keeley of Marietta, Georgia, grandson Adam Keeley, and four granddaughters, as well as her brother, Rogers Thomas Moore, and her nieces, Diane Moore Marsh and Sarah Moore Watkins, both of Sarasota.

In keeping with her wishes, no funeral, memorial service, or celebration of life will be held. After making this decision she said, "I hate funerals, and I don't want to go to one, even in death." This is perhaps in keeping with her more private side. Her family recognizes that this may disappoint the many friends, patients, and colleagues whose lives she touched so profoundly over decades of service, and they invite those who wish to honor her memory to share their remembrances of Katherine Keeley on the tribute page accompanying this obituary.

A steadfast advocate for Sarasota Memorial Hospital throughout her career, Dr. Keeley asked that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Sarasota Memorial Healthcare Foundation. Those wishing to honor her memory may dedicate their gift in her name at <https://smhf.org/donate/>.

In the end, she lived exactly as she wished, caring for children, serving her community, and finding joy in the work she loved.

Tribute Wall

BW

“ In 2013, Dr. Keeley saved our daughter's life a few hours after she was born by recognizing she had a heart murmur. She was then diagnosed with pulmonary stenosis and at 26 hours old she had a cardiac catheterization procedure to open her pulmonary valves so she could properly oxygenate and survive. She's now a thriving, strong, independent, capable 13 year old and a competitive swimmer. We saw Dr. Keeley yearly until she became sick. We have the utmost gratitude for the role Dr. Keeley played with our daughter's survival and ability to thrive!

Bethany Van Waardhuizen - June 02 at 04:28 PM

KA

“ I have been thinking about this for days and trying to see how I can capture what an important role in our life that Dr. Keeley played. I met her when my son was one which was 22 years ago and we instantly connected. I knew that we were in caring, intelligent, loving hands and from that moment I turned over all my trust in this amazing woman. Throughout the years, Dr. Keeley took care of all three of my children up until her last week of work. She connected my 18-year-old daughter with a surgeon which she did not have to do but she went out of her way to make it happen out of the kindness of her heart and knowing that we needed her. Her caring soft tone as she walked into each exam room with a quiet knock, and a whispering voice that completely calmed my children down even in their worst moments of being sick.

She listened when I explained my thoughts on what I felt was going on medically as well she listened to the kids when they explained what they were feeling, which doesn't seem like a big deal but it is as many doctors do not take the time to understand and listen to what their patients are saying and feeling.

From mono to swine flu, tonsil surgery, meningitis, asthma, strep, hand foot and mouth 🤒 countless hospital stays and the HUNDREDS of sick visits she fixed them all!! Oh and she also was a great therapist to a stressed out working mom who cried at times and thought that there “must be something wrong with my house or my kids to be sick this much” mold/diet/bad immune system? SOMETHING!

Dr. Keeley would smile and tell me that I was doing a great job and that everything's fine and this too shall pass.

The way she held herself and spoke seemed to put my children and myself into a trance.. what a gift! I can only imagine the comfort she must've given her own children if she was able to do this for so many that were not her own family.

I can go on and on, but I will close out here just saying that my family was so lucky to have Dr. Keeley in our lives and my children are here today due to her excellent medical knowledge and her amazing kind aura that surrounded her at all times!

Thank you so much Dr. Keeley! The Andreu family love you to

pieces!!

Love Ken, Kristyn, Jeremy, Julia & Amelia

kristyn andreu - March 24 at 09:28 PM



I've worked with both your kids and was a patient of Dr. Keeley. What a beautiful way to put it ❤️

Matthew Chapman - April 11 at 07:51 AM

CG

“ We are very sad to hear of the passing of Dr Keeley. She was our pediatrician for all 3 of our children for the last 11 years. She was a true blessing I also worked in the same building as her and she was always so nice in the morning with a bright smile and a good morning as we went to our days. Our families prayers are with her friends family and loved ones. She will truly be missed

Christina Galbreth - March 21 at 08:48 AM

RS

“ My condolences to all...I am deeply saddened to hear of her passing, yet I find comfort to know how she lived her life to the fullest, was passionate in all she did & loved serving others. Dr. Keeley was my daughters' pediatrician. She was so kind, gentle, compassionate, an expert in her field and such a calming spirit. She will be greatly missed. 🙏❤️🙏

rossana schmidt - March 21 at 01:26 AM

AH

“ We moved to Sarasota four years ago and I immediately began searching message boards for compassionate, experienced pediatricians. Dr. Keeley's name was mentioned over and over. I am so saddened by this news. My dad was also a doctor, trained at the same time with a similarly long career, and it felt like "home" for my children to be the recipient of her care that mirrored his bedside manner in many ways. I will always value the time we spent as her patients. My deepest sympathies to her family and staff.

~The Heckman Family

Amy L Heckman - March 20 at 08:32 PM

KA

From the moment I meet Dr. Keeley I knew my children were in the best of hands. Her compassion, knowledge and unwavering commitment to my children's care was overwhelming. She was there for us as till the very end advocating for my 18 year daughter in December 2025. Dr. Keeley set the stander for quality of care in pediatrics. She will be missed dearly by my family!

The Andreu family.

Kenneth Andreu - March 24 at 07:41 PM

KA

beautifully said..

kristyn andreu - March 25 at 12:10 AM

MF

“ I am so deeply sorry to hear this. Our heartfelt condolences go out to your entire family. You were truly special, caring for your patients as if they were your own. We feel so blessed and grateful to have had you as our pediatrician.

Your impact and memories will live on through so many. I will miss your musical entrances and checkups, and I know the kids will too.

All our love,
The Farhat family ☐

Marissa Marie Farhat - March 20 at 09:14 AM



“ As a child in the 90s, Dr Keeley was my beloved pediatrician. She recognized early on that I was suffering with anorexia nervosa, and helped me and my mother navigate this difficult diagnosis and provide us with much needed resources, which in the 90s and early 00s were difficult to come by.

As an adult I have recovered and dedicated my life to children as a pediatric registered nurse. I want her family to know that her legacy of putting children first is being carried on, and she has touched so many lives. I am honored to have had her as a pediatrician. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.- Kristie O'Brien

Kristie Cataffo-O'Brien - March 19 at 08:22 PM

TS

She really was an amazing person who really did save my daughter and helped me navigate a truly complex uncharted territory!

Tamara SIMMONDS - March 19 at 08:33 PM

KS

“ Katherine will be deeply missed by the children and families and all of her colleagues in our area and state. I worked with Dr. Keeley for many years in private practice, as well as, through the Child Protection Center of Sarasota/Desoto Counties. She was a mentor, a close friend and a light in the dark tunnel of our lives, when called on. The last time we spoke, she was her usual positive up beat self and wanting to know all about my life: in true Katherine style. I extend my prayers and thoughts her her wonderful family.

Kay STump - March 19 at 01:26 PM

DD

“ Dr Keeley will be greatly missed. She was an extraordinary person and left such a meaningful impact on our family. Our kids have seen her since the we moved to Florida when they were 1 and 4yrs old. Now 12 and 15, Dr Keeley has been our trusted pediatrician, the best doctor we've ever known. When our son was in the hospital she went above and beyond to call and check on him at night and over the weekend hrs. Her gentle disposition and sincere care will never be forgotten. She had such a special way of easing uncertainties and providing reassurance. Her sweet eyes were full of love and understanding. She reflected the heart of Jesus in such a beautiful way. May she rest in his loving arms eternally.

Danielle DeJesus - March 18 at 10:17 PM

DI

“ While living in FLA, I helped a young family with child care. On several occasions, I had to take the children to see Dr. Keeley. As she came into the room, impeccably dressed, she would gently sing a little song ... an original little song, just for them, with their name in it. They would immediately melt into her arms. She communicated completely with them, always getting to the root of the problem. And who knew when the visit was over ... that a little brown bag of animal crackers could do? I left amazed and knew that I had witnessed something special. On child is off at college and the other saw her on her last day in the office. May the memories of friends and folks you don't know, give you comfort, as your dear mother gave comfort to so many. Diane

Diane - March 18 at 03:30 PM

KR

“ We are mourning the loss of someone who meant so much more to us than a doctor. Dr. Keeley was truly an angel on earth. She cared for all five of the children in our family over the years and walked alongside us through so many stages, questions, worries, and milestones.

No matter how busy her day had been, she always made us feel like our children were the most important patients in the world. Every question mattered to her. Every concern was met with kindness, patience, and reassurance. More times than we can count, she would return calls late at night after long days at the office just to make sure our kids — and our hearts — were okay. Her warmth, compassion, and dedication were unmatched, and we will never forget the little things that made her so special — especially her sweet singing during appointments that could instantly make nervous little ones smile.

We are endlessly grateful for the love and care she gave our family. She made a difference in the lives of so many children and parents, and her impact will never be forgotten. □

Love The Harvey and Randlett families

kaitlin randlett - March 17 at 03:40 PM

KF

“ *When Sis moved from Louisville to small town central Ky she hit the ground running . She was special and showed us what a well rounded intelligent gal looked like. Her clothes were classic and she made going through teen hood look worth the effort . Always available in whatever home she resided to make room for anyone who stopped by or spent the night . I admired her study habits and how she balanced the many hats she wore . There was never any doubt when she left for Hollins College she would forever leave a mark on whatever she engaged in . I think her sphere of influence will resound forever through eternity . May she savour her well deserved rest .*

Kathy Perros Fuqua - March 16 at 10:58 PM

ML

“ *She was a remarkable woman and we are blessed that our paths crossed & she cared for our child. I hear her singing in my head & I love that she created that trust by music with me and my child.*

M Lum - March 16 at 06:56 PM

JS

“ *Dr. Keeley was truly one of a kind. Our son came 2 weeks early and I had already chosen Dr. Keeley but hadn't met her yet. But, when she walked into that hospital room to greet our boy for the first time I knew how special she was. We've saved almost all of our son's milestones written by Dr. Keeley on a notepad given to us from all his appointments. What a treasure she was to this community.*

Jennifer Sparks - March 16 at 06:54 PM

AB

“*Dr. Keeley was our pediatrician. She was a magnificent doctor and person. We attended a Kentucky Derby party with 2-1/2 month old Caroline in 1994. Dr. Keeley was there. She recognized my exhaustion and took Caroline from me and pretty much held her the whole time. It was the first break for me and I still can feel the relief and gratitude for that small, yet huge, act. What a loss to our community.*

Alice Schow Bowman - March 16 at 06:23 PM

JL

“ I am terribly saddened to hear of Katherine's death. I have been so fortunate to have had her as a friend, as a pediatrician for my children, and as the pediatrician for the many, many infants my husband and I fostered for thirty years, as well as two of my grandchildren.

I respected and enjoyed our many conversations as we regularly crossed paths through all these different parts of our lives, including those that centered around the sad and stressful world of child welfare. We had so many discussions about the challenges these precious children faced. We shared an ongoing concern for the children who were caught up in these most difficult of circumstances.

At one point, Katherine was selected to be honored as one of the three women in this area with the “She Knows Where She’s Going” award. Lynn Thomson, then a detective in Crimes Against Children, and I were the other two selected. We were all so happy to be the trio sharing that honor. None of the committee members who debated and decided upon us knew of the connections between us and were taken aback by the way so much of our worlds were woven together.

Katherine was the most peaceful and calming person I’ve ever encountered. Her smile was sunlight. Her voice, no matter the subject, was musical, and when approaching a child in her medical role, it was in fact musical. I can’t imagine Sarasota without this special woman.

To her children, her niece, and all her family, you have a tremendous and precious legacy. Thank you all for sharing her with us, and may your lives be filled with memories of her words and deeds. You were truly blessed to have this woman in your lives. Love never dies. We will all speak of her, and often.

Judith Lee - March 16 at 11:41 AM

DA

“ Truly an angel among us. Our daughter was born six weeks premature. Somehow, she needed just one week in the nicu. Dr Keeeley would call our girl her miracle baby. Dr Keeeley was so unbelievably helpful getting us through that difficult period. Dr Keeeley was our second miracle, and we will always be so grateful for her.

Daniel - March 16 at 10:19 AM

NS

“ I used to post short song covers for fun, and Katherine watched every single one and never failed to emphasize to me how much she loved them. She was an actual beam of sunlight in the world. I'm grateful I got to know her, and I'll carry the way she loved others with me the rest of my life.

Nicole Smith - March 16 at 10:08 AM

LS

“ Dr Keeeley was so very kind and sweet with our boys. They had no idea she was even checking them over. She would get down on the floor and play and sing with them and then talk so sweet and calmly with us to tell us what she found. My boys loved her, she will surely be missed. □



Laura Supple - March 16 at 08:09 AM

KE

“ Katherine was a kind and gentle soul who touched so many lives in our community. She cared for our five children, our grandchildren and great nieces in town, and various family members who had emergencies while they were here visiting. Her calm and gentle manner put everyone at ease. We remember the early years raising our children at First Presbyterian. We grieve with Sam, Kate, Jack, Rogers, Ann, Diane, Sarah and your families. May wonderful memories keep her close and sustain you in the days ahead. Sending love and hugs.

Karen Eastmoore - March 16 at 07:20 AM



“ We just received the letter notifying us she had finally decided to retire. Our family is sad to hear the news of her passing. She was truly such a gentle soul & just the best pediatrician. I remember when our oldest was born, Dr Keeley had to come check on her very early in the morning, none of us had slept much of course but Dr Keeley came in singing Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star & her gentle voice immediately calmed our crying Sayla & us brand new parents. That was the moment we knew we'd picked the right pediatrician. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts & prayers are with everyone who knew & loved her.

Sherri Sierigk - March 16 at 12:12 AM

JF

“ The physician that saved my daughters life. We will miss you Dr Keeley. What a loss for our community.



Jeec Electric Family - March 15 at 11:17 PM

AP

“ Cheerful, calm and nurturing are the 3 words that come to my mind when I think of her. When we moved to Florida from Michigan 10 years ago, my kids became her immediate patients due to her well known name in the community. She fully lived up to it and more. As an elementary teacher, I could feel her genuine love for her patients. May she be humming and singing for all those in Heaven now; adults and children. Thinking of her family....

Amber Petricca - March 15 at 10:31 PM

RE

“ My 9 year old is one of her patients. As many 9 year old boys with ADHD do-they can talk endlessly about whatever they're passionate about at the time.
The last time we were in the office, Dr Keeley sat down and listened to him going on and on, she even asked questions to keep him going. I recognized her wonder as she interacted with him and I thought about if that may be the last time we'd see her, she'd just come back from her leave and I could just tell she was appreciating every moment. It was. RIP Dr Keeley, thank you for the joy you found in our kids. We were blessed to have you as our friend and doctor.

Reese - March 15 at 10:06 PM

LT

“ Many years ago I was pregnant and asked everyone I knew in Sarasota who they would recommend as the very best pediatrician. The recommendations were unanimous. Dr. Keeley met my children in the hospital hours after they were each born and took incredible care of them for 14 years! She would sing in the loveliest and calmest way when she entered the room and present them with a choice of stickers! My kids adored her and I also trusted her very well-researched medical advice. She always took time to visit with my children and gave us the feeling that she truly cared for them like they were her children too! I trusted her medical advice throughout the years and always knew that she was a doctor who set the standard of care at the very highest level. We are grateful to have had such an amazing pediatrician and to have known such an incredible person.

During our many visits I would often ask about her children. She was a very private person but she would always smile when thinking of them and tell me they were doing well. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Leslie Toscano - March 15 at 09:38 PM



“ Dr Keeley was the first and only pediatrician who cared for our children since 2011. She was with our daughter since birth and that was 14 years ago. Not only was she a skilled, educated, and talented medical professional, she was kind, compassionate, generous, and truly cared about people. I am heartbroken by her passing, but feel so honored to have known such an amazing and wonderful woman. My daughter loves her immensely and was never afraid to see Dr Keeley whether for a sick visit or routine exam. Dr Keeley will always be in our hearts and our memories. May she rest in peace and may her family find peace knowing how respected, loved, and valued she was by all who knew her. She made the world a much better place just by being in it. She can never be replaced and will be sorely missed.

Gwen Eviere - March 15 at 09:36 PM

AP

“ Dr. Keeley was like the Mary Poppins of pediatricians. Our favorite memory of her is from our second day of being parents. My husband told me he really hopes the same nurse is on duty tomorrow morning. She came in and sang to him. I laughed and said, No, that's our pediatrician. And from that day on every interaction we had with her was so peaceful and calming. We had my daughter's 11 year check up in three weeks. I'm not looking forward to breaking this news to my daughter. She enjoyed sharing her life updates and what was going on at school with Dr. Keeley.

Angela Powell - March 15 at 09:31 PM

JK

Katherine
See you again where it matters
Your service here on earth has more than earned you a coveted
Spot in God's Heaven 🙏👉🍀👁️🇺🇸

James M Kelly - March 16 at 02:25 PM

SS

“ Dr. Keeley clearly understood that medicine is just as much about the heart as it is about the charts.

The transition from an emergency C-section to the fear of the NICU or specialized care was an incredibly heavy weight for new parents. Having a pediatrician walk into that chaos—not with clinical coldness, but with a song and a "10/10" score. This is the kind of core memory that changes everything. Dr. Keeley didn't just care for our son, she cared for me and my husband by replacing that terror with confidence. I was able to share with her how much her guidance meant to us. She was there through childhood illnesses, COVID, Scarlet fever and more, always with a smile and song. Now he's now a healthy 10-year-old and Dr. Keeley was right about his health, it's a testament to that strong start and the peace of mind she provided during those first critical days. She also cared for our daughter as her pediatrician, too. It's rare to find someone who balances such a high-level of medical expertise with such a tender level of bedside manner. She will be greatly missed!

Sarah Somai - March 15 at 09:27 PM

AP

“ There are no words to describe how wonderful Dr. Keeley was. We were so grateful to have her care for my kiddo. So very lucky to know her. She was such a gift.

My daughter drew this during her 5 year check up of the two of them.



Andria Perry - March 15 at 09:18 PM

IF

“ Dr. Keeley was a beacon of kindness! She made every child feel special and loved. She truly made such a positive impact in this world. Our true thanks to her family in sharing her with her patients. She is an unforgettable soul that will be deeply missed by so many of the lives she's impacted.



Iltis Family - March 15 at 09:10 PM

EL

“ Dr. Keeley truly was one of a kind. My daughter was a preemie and the way she would check in, hear concerns and show love throughout our time with her as our peds was nothing short of incredible. Truly I believe her guidance and kindness helped me navigate having a preemie & postpartum so much more confidently. My daughter has continue to thrive since, and she will be missed by so, so, so many. Thank you Dr. Keeley, we absolutely adore you and will miss you greatly.

Emily Lesbirel - March 15 at 09:09 PM



“ There are not enough words to properly describe how extraordinary Katherine was in every possible way. As a physician, she combined excellence and compassion so that all of her patients and their families felt cared for and safe. As a champion for children, she never stopped putting them first and she made sure that those around her saw and responded to our most vulnerable little friends with generosity and understanding. As a physician leader, she inspired generations of doctors, nurses, and other health care providers to work together to make Sarasota the best place to practice medicine and to receive care. As a colleague, she encouraged and supported everyone she met to work to their highest potential. And, as a friend, she offered honesty, love, kindness, and every other good thing. If your child was lucky enough to have her as their day one doctor, they started their life hearing her lilting, soft voice giving gentle encouragement and patient explanation. I will be listening to that sweet voice in my mind and trying to follow Katherine’s example to be curious, generous, loving, thoughtful, wise, and endlessly, endlessly kind.

Carol Ann Kalish - March 15 at 09:02 PM

AW

“*Dr. Keeley was truly irreplaceable. She was one of the most gentle, kind, and loving people we have ever met. The way she would hum and softly sing during appointments was so calming—not just for our baby, but for us as parents too. She had a special way of creating the safest, most comforting environment simply through her presence.*

What other pediatrician keeps space heaters in the room just to warm their stethoscope for little babies? That was the kind of thoughtful care she gave.

When we found out our daughter had a milk allergy and would need the most expensive formula—right before the holidays, when finances were already stretched thin—Dr. Keeley quietly walked into the room with a bag filled with cans of formula, around \$500 worth. She had even covered the bag so the nurses wouldn't notice how much she was giving us. I had never asked for help, but somehow she knew exactly what we needed. I have a feeling that wasn't the only time she did something like that for a family.

She was simply the best. I don't know that I will ever trust another pediatrician with my children the way I trusted her. She had a way of making you feel like you were doing a wonderful job as parents, even when you were unsure of yourself.

Her kindness and compassion will never be forgotten. I pray for comfort for all of those that loved her most and will miss her so much.

Abby West - March 15 at 08:57 PM

WF

“ Dr. Keeley was a beautiful human being and a truly bodacious pediatrician, someone to whom you could entrust your precious children, for wisdom, kindness, and healing. This world will miss her terribly and remember her with love, gratitude and respect. Rest easy, excellent doctor, advocate, and friend. Thank you for the pure goodness and light you left behind in this world.

Wendy Chase Fitzgerald - March 15 at 08:45 PM

NL

“ In life sometimes you are lucky enough to witness a person embody their gift and hers was her profession and working with children. Dr. Keely was a real-life Mary Poppins.. she would sing to all of her patients and truly cared for them. She would call me outside of business hours instead of sending a nurse, to address any of my concerns. In a system that has mostly lost its way she remained what it should be. I am so grateful that Elon was able to meet with her one last time. 🕊️🌟🌟

Natasha Lechuga - March 15 at 08:23 PM

KB

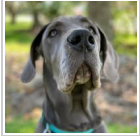
“ Dr Keeley has been our daughters' pediatrician starting 24 years ago with our first born. She was the kindest, warmest, most understanding physician. Our 12 year old is simply devastated to hear this news which shows the impact she had on the children she treated. Rest peacefully Dr Keeley, you are irreplaceable and will be sorely missed.

Kim Bittar - March 15 at 08:09 PM

CL

“ *Dr. Keeley cared for all 3 of my children from birth. Her gentle way and her humming gave us all peace and calmness. She was always kind & patient. We are so sad to hear of her passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Cindy Lyons - March 15 at 07:45 PM



“ *We were so blessed to have Dr. Keeley care and help us raise our children. She was always so sweet to our kids and made them feel like they were her only patients. She always shared her memories of them everytime she saw them. Even remembered what they liked. I cant beleive she is gone but her memory with live with us forever. We love her and will miss her so much!*

Danielle Syfert - March 15 at 07:11 PM

AP

“ *Such an amazing person and physician... Dr. Keeley took care of both of my babies for the last 18 years... yes, they're no babies anymore but was still seeing Her.
Our hearts are heavy...
Deepest condolences to the closest family and friends.*

Aleksandra Pawluczuk - March 15 at 07:08 PM

TH

“ Our family absolutely loved Dr.Keely. I will never forget the 1st time we met her, she came into the room like a ray of sunshine singing so softly to my 2 two children who were just mesmerized by her. Their eyes so wide and focused on her and her presence just brought calmness. After that day my girls referred to her as the singing doctor who made doctors visits enjoyable. She continued to follow our family on social media, commenting and liking our posts. We will miss her and send our love to her family. She was truly remarkable!

Trisha Harvey - March 15 at 06:52 PM

SK

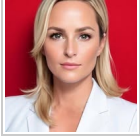
“ Dr. Keeley was an incredible pediatrician and a truly kind soul. She cared for my sisters from the time they were born, and later cared for my own son, Geo. I'll always remember how she took the time to visit him in the NICU and the compassion she showed our family. She touched so many lives and will be deeply missed.

Stephanie Koukouvas - March 15 at 05:59 PM

KS

“ Dr. Keeley cared for all three of our children. They adored her and never once feared going to the doctor. They loved going to see her. Often her signing to them calmed me as much as it calmed them. She was so special and will be missed very much.

Kristin Schofield - March 15 at 05:01 PM



“ Dr. Keeley was a blessing and such a gift to our family and our community. Years ago, during one of my daughter’s visits I expressed having a tremendous amount of “mom guilt” for going back to school. Her words of encouragement stayed with me until this day. She said, “you can do it all, not just all at once. And one day your children will see that it was all for them and they will love and appreciate you even more.”

Antje Dangel - March 15 at 04:28 PM

CF

“ Dr. Keeley was a gift to us and will be sorely missed.

Christopher Sforzo and Family - March 15 at 03:55 PM

GE

“ Prayers for a super kind, smart gal.

Gerakamb@comcast.net - March 15 at 02:51 PM

CT

“ C Trimble lit a candle in memory of Katherine Moore Keeley, M.D.



C Trimble - March 15 at 11:37 AM

AB

“ Katherine: it feels like you are with us here and now, with your effervescent glow and rolling laugh. Having known you for over forty-five years, am so grateful for you, and all you have generously done for others. You are my sister, closest friend and will always be in my heart, front and center.
Love you forever, Ann Babcock

Ann Babcock - March 15 at 11:36 AM

LC

Where do I start? Losing Dr. Keeley is a huge loss to our community and to my family! She was pediatrician for all 3 of my children, until they begrudgingly left her when they turned 18. She saw our family through health crisis of all kinds, always with her soft and gentle demeanor, and the absolute best care. Personally, she helped to inspire me to work with abused children through The Child Protection Center. I sing in soft whispers to my grandchildren now, as she did with mine. She will never be forgotten. Rest Easy, Katherine, Dr. Keeley. 💕🙏

Lynne Catlin - March 15 at 03:56 PM

JK

I was a nurse at SMH and had the pleasure of working with this wonderful pediatrician. She was kind and caring, and always sang quietly when around the babies. What a loss to our community. My prayers will include her and her loved ones.

Johanna Krempel - March 15 at 06:31 PM

SB

I had the great honor of working with Dr. Catherine Keeley as her pediatric nurse, and also her nurse with the child protection center. She was a remarkable woman, and her level of care for her patients, their families, and her coworkers is unparalleled. What a profound loss for the communities children and of course for her own. Godspeed, KMKA, and thank you for all those wonderful years.

Susan A Barber - March 15 at 06:37 PM