



## Mary Louise (Bens) Knott

January 31, 1934 - July 20, 2024

Mary Louise (Bens) Knott, 90, of Sarasota FL, passed away peacefully into the arms of her Heavenly Father on July 20, 2024. She was born on January 31, 1934, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late Walter and Mary A. Bens. She was preceded in death by brothers Donald and Charles Bens, her sons Kenneth E. Kern and Kevin L. Kern, her grandson DJ Radford and her devoted dog George. She is survived by her sister Donna Olshanski (John); her children Kathy Warfield, Kimberly Anderson, Krissy Schultz, Karla Boss (Ed), Karen Voellinger (John), Keith Kern (Frannie), Kelly Kern, Klaudine Radford, Kyle Kern (Pam), and Kerry Knott (Alisha); and numerous grandchildren, great-grand-children, and great-great grandchildren whom affectionally called her Grandma Grumpy.

Mary grew up in Pittsburgh PA riding the inclines and cruising Pittsburgh's three rivers on The Gateway Clipper. She was hardworking and retired from both Giant Foods and Bank of America. She loved to travel. Her most memorable trips were with her parents and family to Erie PA; riding hot air balloons with a champagne breakfast in New Mexico, traveling to Germany, Disney World, attending the Rose Bowl Parade and spending her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in Hawaii. She spent the last 20 years living in Sarasota FL at The Winds of St. Armand's where she had many close and caring friends. She was a faithful and active member of The Tabernacle Church.

The family would like to thank everyone that helped with the loving care and friendship that was provided to Mary. Your compassion, gentleness, and kindness will never be forgotten!

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at The Tabernacle Church, 4141 Desoto Rd., Sarasota FL 34235.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Tabernacle Church; mailing address above.

# Previous Events

## **A Celebration of Life**

AUG 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

The Tabernacle Church  
4141 Desoto Road  
Sarasota, FL 34235

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Patty Cafra, M/I Homes purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary Louise (Bens) Knott.*



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**Patty Cafra, M/I Homes** - August 13, 2024 at 03:28 PM