



Agnes "Kay" Bushing

January 28, 1926 - January 8, 2025

Agnes "Kay" Bushing

Died peacefully on January 8, 2025 in Winter Garden, FL at the age of 98

Kay is survived by her daughter, Christine West, son-in-law Michael West, granddaughter Katherine Gallagher, husband Denis Gallagher Jr. and great-grandsons Denis Gallagher III and Colin Gallagher who knew her as GGBu. She was preceded in death by her late husband Capt. John R. Bushing of Boca Raton.

Kay was born in Newark, NJ on January 28, 1926 to Catherine and Edward Johnson.

Her father died when she was just three years old, leaving her mom to raise three children on her own at the start of the Great Depression.

As a young girl, Kay served in the Nurses Corps of St. Joseph's Hospital in Newark during World War II.

At age twenty-one, she married John Bushing in 1947.

Kay worked for a New Jersey Real Estate Developer for fifteen years selling and acquiring properties all along the Jersey Shore.

John went on to become an airline captain for Alleghany and U.S. Airways enabling he and Kay to travel extensively throughout the States and Europe with their daughter, Christine.

After moving from Toms River, New Jersey to Sun City, Arizona, then to Dana Point, California, John and Kay eventually settled on the water in Boca Raton, Florida in 1989.

John passed away in 2009 leaving Kay a widow after fifty-two years of married life. She moved from her beloved Boca to the Orlando area to be near Christine and her family, where she often lamented not only the loss of her husband, but the lack of an ocean view anywhere in Central Florida.

Besides being a world traveler, she was an extraordinary gourmet cook, and loved listening to opera.

Even at age 98, she had never been on any permanent medications, could still provide great tips on the stock market, and loved shopping on QVC!

A funeral mass is scheduled for 11:00am, Monday, January 27, 2025 at Holy Family Catholic Church, located at 5125 S. Apopka-Vineland Rd., Orlando, FL. Kay's cremains will be taken the following day by her family to the South Florida VA National Cemetery in Lake Worth, FL where she will be buried alongside her husband, John.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Catholic Church
5125 South Apopka Vineland Road
Orlando, FL 32819

Tribute Wall

LL

“ Kay was a lovely lady. Kay had the most infectious laugh. She loved sharing stories about her travels and showing me all her pieces of art she acquired along the way. When Mike and Chris had 4th of July celebration at their home Johns Mother and father had the best time laughing and talking about living back east and all their travels they did when they were younger.

Linda L Leloudis - January 27, 2025 at 04:58 PM

CW

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Christine West - January 15, 2025 at 07:37 PM

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Christine West - January 15, 2025 at 07:35 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Agnes "Kay" Bushing.*



January 15, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ *Aunt Kay was so wonderfully dynamic! I admired her for her zest for life, desire to explore and understand the world around her and having a sharp wit and sense of humor. She was strong. It was fun to be a kid around her because she would always find fun things for my cousin, Chrissy, and I to do. She laughed a lot which was positively infectious. In today's way of thinking, I would describe time with her as a cool, energized vibe!*

Aunt Kay was very much in touch throughout her life knowing the best toys for kids. When she bought Christmas gifts for our grandkids, they would forget about all of their other, many presents and play with the ones that Aunt Kay had bought for them.

Not that many years ago when both my Mom and Aunt Kay were still alive, Aunt Kay mentioned that she thought that a cruise to Hawaii would be fun. The four of us had quite the time, highlighted by a Kauai helicopter tour and the luau at The Hilton Hawaiian Village. Whenever my husband and I stay there, we book a room in the Aloha Tower and share memories created by the luau site below.

While Aunt Kay was fun, she was also beautiful. When you look at your aunt as a child, you focus more on how nice she is to you. But looking at photos from years later, I see her stunning beauty.

Aunt Kay was truly one of a kind and I was lucky to be her niece.

Debra-Lynne Terrill - January 15, 2025 at 06:36 PM

JL

“ John and Linda Leloudis purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Agnes "Kay" Bushing.



John and Linda Leloudis - January 15, 2025 at 08:52 AM

JL

“ John and Linda Leloudis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Agnes "Kay" Bushing.

John and Linda Leloudis - January 15, 2025 at 08:52 AM

NC

“ Niece Karen Crecco purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Agnes "Kay" Bushing.



Niece Karen Crecco - January 14, 2025 at 01:14 PM

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Niece Karen Crecco - January 14, 2025 at 01:14 PM

KC

“ Aunt Sissy was my very favorite Auntie. Always the “ Glamor Gal”, she was an example of grace and beauty, along with intelligence and a caring heart. I will see you again soon, Aunt Sis!💔💔

Karen Crecco - January 14, 2025 at 01:07 PM

CW

Thank you for your generous gift of the Memorial Tree and lovely flowers. You know that Mom loved you so. I am so glad you got to come down for a visit (was it already 2 years ago now or more?) She loved seeing you all. God bless you.

Christine West - January 15, 2025 at 07:21 PM

KC

Seeing her was such a treat! I also had several fun phone conversations with her. She had wit and charm to the very end.💔💔

Karen Crecco - January 17, 2025 at 02:55 PM

KC

“ 2 files added to the album Sissies and siblings



Karen Crecco - January 14, 2025 at 01:03 PM