



## Joan Kechner

January 4, 1932 - February 6, 2023

Joan Kechner of Columbus, NJ, passed away peacefully on February 6, 2023 after a short illness. She was 91 years old. Joan was born in Brooklyn, NY, but spent most of her life in Staten Island. She attended St. Peter's Girls High School and worked at clerical jobs in New York City before marrying Edward Kechner in 1953. They settled in Great Kills, where Joan was a homemaker and lovingly raised 4 children. While living in Great Kills, Joan was an active member in St. Clare's Parish, the Great Kills Swim Club and the Great Kills Little League.

Joan worked in the fine jewelry department of Macy's Department Store on Staten Island, for 10 years before retiring and moving, with her husband to Columbus, New Jersey in 1987. While living in Columbus, Joan was a member of her local gardening club, quilting group and was a talented water color artist. She won several awards for her beautiful paintings and gifted her art to many family members and friends. Joan loved to travel with her husband and some of her favorite destinations were Ireland, Hawaii and Bermuda. She especially loved many years of vacationing on Long Beach Island with her family. Joan was the heart of her family and she will be missed beyond measure.

She is predeceased by her husband of 57 years, Edward and her son Edward Jr. She is survived by her daughter Barbara Shields and her husband Terry;

her sons, Michael and Steven Kechner; her daughter in law Noreen Kechner; her grandchildren, Erin, Tara, Joyce and Patrick and 4 great grandchildren. She is also survived by her sisters Patricia Beyar and Kathy Vigliotti; and her brother William Gordon.

Visitation will be on Thursday, February 16 from 2-6 pm at Perinchief Chapels ,438

High St, Mt Holly, NJ. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11am, on Friday, February 17 at St. Isidore the Farmer Church, 2489 Monmouth Rd, Jobstown, NJ. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in Joan's name to Vitas Community Connection, 521 Fellowship Rd, Suite 110, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 or at [www.VITASCommunityConnection.org](http://www.VITASCommunityConnection.org)

[www.perinchief.com](http://www.perinchief.com)

# Cemetery Details

## BGWCD Veteran's Memorial Cemetery

350 Provinceline Rd.,  
Wrightstown, NJ

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 16. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels  
438 High Street  
Mt. Holly, NJ 08060  
(609) 267-0399  
info@perinchief.com  
<http://www.perinchief.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Andrew's RC Church  
2489 Monmouth Rd.  
Jobstown, NJ

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Joan Kechner.* ”



February 15, 2023 at 09:16 PM



“ *Love, Mary and Dan purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Joan Kechner.* ”



**Love, Mary and Dan** - February 15, 2023 at 02:52 PM



“ *Love Billy and Peggy Gordon purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joan Kechner.* ”



**Love Billy and Peggy Gordon** - February 14, 2023 at 05:33 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the entire family. Hold tight to your memories of Joan and may they bring you comfort. Joan was a bright part of our lives. She was kind, gentle and thoughtful. We will miss her beyond measure.* ”



**Ann & Phil Coyne** - February 14, 2023 at 02:52 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joan Kechner.*



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February 13, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joan Kechner.*



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February 09, 2023 at 03:34 PM