



Catherine K. Welch

April 17, 1939 - April 9, 2026

Catherine Knott Welch of Oxford, MD, passed away at her home on April 8, 2026, at the age of 86. Catherine was born on April 17, 1939, in New York City to James Knott and Lili Kent Knott. She grew up in New York City and Jericho, Long Island, attended the Chapin School and in 1956 graduated from Foxcroft School in Middleburg, Virginia.

In 1958 Catherine married the late W. Perry Welch, Sr. and they made their home in Muttontown, Long Island, New York for forty years. In 2003, Catherine and Perry moved to Oxford in Talbot County on the Eastern Shore of Maryland where they developed formative relationships and enjoyed a highly supportive community. Catherine loved being with friends and family and engaging in conversation. Perry and Cathie were active boaters for many years and explored the coast of New England and the Chesapeake Bay. Catherine also loved gardening, and as a longtime member of the Garden Club of America, she always appreciated beautiful floral arrangements.

Catherine is survived by her three children and their spouses: W. Perry Welch, Jr. (Karen), Andrew K. Welch (Mariann) and Natalie W. Gilmore (John).

Catherine is survived by eleven grandchildren: Reed, Catie and Kelsey (Perry); Kristen, Nicholas, and Peter (Wendy); Zander, Liam, Carolyn and Topher (Andrew); and Lili (Natalie). She is also survived by her two sisters: Susie Childs and Nora Cushing and her beloved golden retriever, Bailey.

Catherine was predeceased by her loving husband of 56 years: W. Perry Welch (2019), daughter Wendy Welch Chusid (2009), brother David Knott

(2014) and sister Liliias Knott Bostwick (2022). Cathie loved her children and grandchildren and they loved her. Each one of them was unique to her.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at 3:00 pm at The Church of the Holy Trinity, 502 S. Morris St., Oxford, MD. Private interment will take place at Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, MD.

Contributions in Catherine's memory in Honor of Liliias Gilmore can be sent to the LGS Foundation for treatment and research of Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome (LGS) (<https://www.lgsfoundation.org/ways-to-give/>).

Cemetery Details

Oxford Cemetery

Oxford Cemetery Rd
Oxford, MD 21654

Upcoming Events

Memorial Service

MAY **23**. 3:00 PM (est)

Church of the Holy Trinity
502 S Morris St
Oxford, MD 21654-1315
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