



## Danya Clendening Kresge

March 5, 1945 - May 13, 2021

Danya Clendening Kresge, beloved wife and mother, passed away peacefully on May 13, 2021 at Hope Hospice Home with her husband Robert by her side.

Born on March 5, 1945 in Las Vegas, NV to Dan and Thelma Clendening, Danya grew up in Ridley Park, PA, where she attended Ridley Park HS. After earning her management degree from Wesley College, she began a career with Atlas Power and FMC corporations.

She spent summers on the beach in Lewes, DE, and on her father's boat, "Danya II", touring and fishing the Chesapeake Bay with her family. She developed a life-long love of sun, sand, and water.

On one particular summer's day in 1966, while out for a day of boating the Chesapeake with her best friend, their boat broke down. Two young men, likewise enjoying a day on the water, came to their rescue and towed them back to the marina. A serendipitous, fairy-tale moment which would bring a lifetime of joy, laughter, and love to two people. "She chased him until he caught her," and after a two year courtship, and the approval of her father, Danya and her rescuer, Robert Kresge, wed on July 20, 1968 in Wilmington, DE. Danya and Robert (Bob) soon started a family and she began a new career as an unwavering and devoted wife and mother. She cherished life and loved her family, enjoying boating, fishing, and gathering with friends. Ever

seeking their perpetual summer, they retired to Chestertown, MD and Cape Coral, FL.

Always ready with an easy smile, Danya possessed a fearless perseverance and the ability to ease other's pain even when she was the one in need. She will be remembered in our hearts always and forever.

She is survived by her husband Robert, her son Darrell and his wife Diann, her son Brian and his wife Mandy, and her grandchildren Robert and Annabelle.

A celebration of her life will be held at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown, MD on May 22, 2021, beginning at 12:00 pm, followed by her being laid to rest in St. Paul's Kent Parish.

# Cemetery Details

**St. Paul's Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**MAY 22.** 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

### Service

**MAY 22.** 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Danya Clendening Kresge*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Danya Clendening Kresge*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Danya Clendening Kresge*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I am the friend who was in the broken down boat the day Danya and Bob met. I am so very sorry she is gone. We had a lot of fun times together in our younger years. My condolences to all her family.*  
*Debbie Dahlborg*

**Deb Dahlborg** - June 04, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your family's loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love, Wendi*

**Wendi Chapman** - June 04, 2021 at 10:14 AM



*“ I will never forget the time she tried to help me waterski. We laughed so hard. I think about her every time I make hot chicken salad, Bobby's favorite. Our paths took us in different directions but never out of my heart. Love Tracey*



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**Tracey Jalbert** - May 30, 2021 at 04:03 PM



*“ We send our thoughts and prayers to all of you on the passing of your sweet wife and mother. We will be praying tomorrow that the Lord will give you peace and comfort during this time of great sorrow. Love, Ginny and Ken McAlear*

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**Ginny and Ken McAlear** - May 21, 2021 at 09:22 PM



*“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Danya Clendening Kresge.*



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May 21, 2021 at 01:16 PM



*“ All our love, Artie and Janice purchased the Dawn of Remembrance Basket for the family of Danya Clendening Kresge.*



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**All our love, Artie and Janice** - May 21, 2021 at 09:12 AM

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“ Love & prayers, Cousins Glenn and June Kresge purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Danya Clendening Kresge.



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**Love & prayers, Cousins Glenn and June Kresge** - May 19, 2021 at 03:34 PM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Danya Clendening Kresge.



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May 19, 2021 at 11:36 AM

KC

“ Kris & Jack and Andy & Carol purchased the Fier y Lily and Rose for the family of Danya Clendening Kresge.



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**Kris & Jack and Andy & Carol** - May 19, 2021 at 10:48 AM