



Elizabeth Streaker Bush

April 17, 1951 - July 10, 2026

Elizabeth "Beth" Streaker Bush, beloved wife, nurse, and church volunteer, passed away peacefully at home on July 10, 2026. She was born April 17, 1951, the daughter of Herbert Streaker Sr. and Dorothy (Hofmann) Streaker, and grew up in West Friendship in Howard County, Maryland alongside her siblings Herbert Streaker Jr. and Bryan Streaker.

Beth pursued her education at UMBC and in the University of Maryland Nursing Program, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree in 1972. She served as a registered nurse with the Howard County Health Department, working as clinic nurse supervisor, and later as an AIDS case manager for the Mid-Shore while with the Dorchester County Health Department. Beth devoted her life to caring for others, receiving a Governor's Citation for 35 years of service to the State of Maryland on July 1, 2009. Her compassion, steady presence, and professionalism left a lasting impression on colleagues and the many people she helped.

A faithful member of Christ Church in Easton, Beth shared her love of music in both the traditional choir and the handbell choir. She was also active in the Order of the Eastern Star and was an honorary member of the Easton Volunteer Fire Department. Family and friends will remember her warmth, her dedication to service, and the gentle way she supported those around her.

Beth had a keen interest in scrapbooking, collecting many photos and producing many albums of memories that she proudly presented to family and friends. She enjoyed entertaining guests in her home to celebrate holidays, birthdays, and other special events. Beth enjoyed a variety of sporting events, starting with attendance at Baltimore Colts games with her Dad with special remembrances of the 1966 World Series in Baltimore, the 2019 World Series in Washington DC, and the 2018 Home Run Derby in Washington DC. She was an avid fan of the Baltimore Orioles and Maryland Terrapins Football and Basketball teams, attending many games with her husband in College Park and in various venues across the country.

She is survived by her husband, Ken, with whom she celebrated 35 years together; her brother Bryan Streaker; her brother-in-law Neal Riley; her niece Devyn Riley and nephew Charles Streaker (Christine); and her great niece Gabriella Streaker and great nephew Braden Streaker.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Herbert Sr. and Dorothy; brother Herbert Jr.; sister-in-law Linda Bush Riley, and sister-in-law Dottie Streaker.

Visitation will be held Monday, July 20, at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Easton, MD, from 2–4 p.m. and 6–8 p.m. A service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 21, at Christ Church in Easton, MD.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Christ Church (Easton, MD), Talbot Hospice, or the Easton Volunteer Fire Department in Beth's memory.

Cemetery Details

Oxford Cemetery

Oxford Cemetery Rd
Oxford, MD 21654

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **20.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home
200 S. Harrison Street
EASTON
EASTON, MD 21601

Visitation

JUL **20.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home
200 S. Harrison Street
EASTON
EASTON, MD 21601

Funeral Service

JUL **21.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Church
111 Harrison St.
Easton, MD 21601

Graveside

JUL **21**. 12:30 PM (ET)

Oxford Cemetery
Oxford Cemetery Rd
Oxford, MD 21654

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - July 20 at 09:22 AM

SF

Love this it us beautiful

Steven Fowler - July 22 at 03:19 AM

EG

“ *Ken, so sorry for your loss. Elliot Gittleman CPVFD 1970-1978*

Elliot Gittleman - July 25 at 01:46 PM

CD

“ *Cliff, Jacob, Jonah, and his Mom & Dad purchased the Sympathy Meat & Cheese Gift Cra te for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.*



Cliff, Jacob, Jonah, and his Mom & Dad - July 25 at 09:17 AM

CD

“Cliff, Jacob, Jonah, and his Mom & Dad planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.

Cliff, Jacob, Jonah, and his Mom & Dad - July 25 at 09:17 AM

PM

“My son moved into a house near Beth. Within a day or so, she had brought over a homemade lasagne (which is not an easy thing to make), which was greatly appreciated, besides being delicious. Over a number of years, Beth went out of her way to help out my son and, in particular, his oldest son. She was an amazing person, and I greatly appreciated her thoughtfulness towards my son and his family. I also know from my son that she would host neighborhood parties throughout the year, which were greatly enjoyed by all. I know they will greatly miss her.

Paula Calimafde Mark - July 25 at 09:04 AM

KK

“My husband, Kevin, and I have known Beth and Ken for over 30 years and they have been faithful friends. We vacationed with them many times in Ocean City. Beth was a wonderful Christian, wife, daughter, sister, friend, homemaker and hostess. She was always the same, never complaining and did everything with ease. Her friendship meant so much to me. I will truly miss her! Ken, I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.

Kimberly Knussman - July 22 at 12:53 AM

DM

“ Fred and I send our deepest sympathies in your loss. Beth was a lovely person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



Dottie McCracken - July 22 at 12:29 AM

DK

“ Over the 37 years that we were friends, I experienced the many dimensions of Beth's wonderful personality...her kindness, generosity, intelligence, faith, family-focus, sense of humor, political focus, and love of people and entertaining. She, Ken, and I shared many "adventures," the most notable of which was a two week vacation to Alaska. Let's all keep her memory alive by remembering her amongst ourselves and to others.

Dennis Kubicki - July 21 at 08:50 AM

WK

“ W. Kevin & Ella L. Kerr lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush



W. Kevin & Ella L. Kerr - July 20 at 01:59 PM



“ In Heaven's Arms Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.



July 19 at 07:55 PM

KB

“ Ka-ren Bishop planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.

Ka-ren Bishop - July 19 at 08:13 AM

KB

“ Ka-ren Bishop purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.



Ka-ren Bishop - July 19 at 08:13 AM

KC

“ Kelly Carroll lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush



kelly carroll - July 17 at 05:48 PM

LB

“ Laura Rose Bishop-Casciotta purchased the Heartfelt Memories for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.



Laura Rose Bishop-Casciotta - July 16 at 11:48 AM



“ I first met Beth when she brought food from the Church Food Ministry to my home when my husband was dying. It was a perfect friendship at first site. She invited me out to lunch and that sealed the deal!! We went to ARBY'S or the Spaghetti House at least once a week for lunch. She showed me all around Easton in her car. She'd tuck me into the car, make sure I was buckled in, and had my oxygen all hooked up and then she'd pop my Rollator into the back of her SUV like it was a toy. She was so strong. We became Best Friends 🥰🌹 I gave her a bracelet inscribed "You are My Sister In Christ. From then on... she called me her Sister and introduced me to her family that way. She was THE Best Friend I've EVER Had. I miss her more than words can ever say. Rest in Peace, Love. You deserve ALL the blessings God has in store for you. ❤️🕊️🙏
Love,
Susie

Susie VanEmburch - July 15 at 06:50 PM

BE

“ Thoughts to all of Beth's family and friends. She was a true professional colleague from my 30 1/2 years at the Health Dept/ State of Maryland so she beat me! I know that would put that so sweet smile on her face. Her strong faith was so obvious that we know she is smiling down.



Beverly Era - July 15 at 02:32 PM

MG

“ Elizabeth Bush, RN we recognize you and pay homage to your dedication to the profession of nursing. We extend our deepest sympathies to your family, friends and colleagues.

Respectfully,

The Maryland Nurse Honor Guard



Maryland Nurse Honor Guard - July 14 at 11:10 PM

KT

“ Ken, Heartfelt condolences to you and those that mourn with you at this time great memories and reflections. Praying for you to have comfort and peace during this time of mourning. Ken Tyree

Kenneth Tyree - July 14 at 02:07 PM

ND

“ Ken,
I'm so very sorry for the loss of your wife. While I didn't have the privilege of knowing her, it's clear from the many loving tributes that she touched a tremendous number of lives with kindness, service, and joy.

Please know that your friends and family in the fire and life safety code development world are thinking of you and holding you close in this difficult time. If you need anything at all, or if there's any way we can support you, please let us know.

Nick Dawe - July 14 at 01:16 PM

RH

“ I had the honor of working with Beth as a member of the Dorchester County Health Department. She and I shared a love for College Basketball, her TERPS and my TAR HEELS. We both hated Duke! On the occasion when the TERPS beat Duke I found a drawing on my door at work celebrating the victory. Stayed on my door until I retired a number of years later. Her dedication and commitment to the clients she served was above and beyond.

Condolences to Ken and their family. May God bless and keep you in this hour of sorrow. Cherish the memories. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Roger Harrell - July 13 at 09:27 PM

CA

“ I met her several times and she is such a wonderful person. Sorry for your loss ! Connis Angeski

Connie Angeski - July 13 at 06:53 PM

PE

“ I became Beth's neighbor in 1994 and soon after we became close friends and for me it has been the best days ever. Beth loved to talk and she also was a thoughtful listener. I loved to see her brow furrow because that meant she was about to help me understand what I didn't see. Beth's life was service and being a friend was just part of that. Whether her church, nursing, the fire department, or home parties Beth was a whirlwind of help. After doing everything she could, Beth showed up and stood firm. There is a deep hole in my heart with the passing of my dear friend, Beth!
Patricia Early

Patricia Early - July 13 at 05:22 PM



“ *Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.*



July 13 at 03:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.

July 13 at 02:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.*



July 13 at 02:56 PM



“ *Beth was such a blessing to all who knew her, always had a smile on her face. So glad to have known her. She will be missed.*

Scott and Kim Mason - July 13 at 11:43 AM



“ *Joseph A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.*

Joseph A. - July 13 at 11:24 AM

FM

“ Fred & Dottie McCracken lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush



Fred & Dottie McCracken - July 12 at 07:36 PM

TW

“ Tom Wilson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush



Tom Wilson - July 12 at 06:25 PM

MP

“ Beth was truly a kind and generous soul.

She had many gifts – was an excellent cook and host, a wonderful storyteller, a skillful crafter. And she enjoyed sharing her talents with others.

Beth had a wonderful sense of humor; her eyes sparkled when she laughed.

Such a joy to be her friend...

Beth will be deeply missed. Sending all my love and hugs to Ken and family.

Mary Peirce

Mary Peirce - July 12 at 05:45 PM

MM

“ *My condolences for your loss.*
Maria Marks

Maria Marks - July 12 at 01:08 PM

TB

“ *To: Ken and Beth's family, I would like to offer my condolences to you all. I am so sorry for your loss. I continue to keep you all in our prayers. Mike& Tye Banning*

Tyboria Banning - July 11 at 10:01 PM

PT

“ *Penny Trice lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush*



Penny Trice - July 11 at 02:33 PM

AV

“ *Sorry for your loss, Ken.*

Anthony Villani - July 11 at 01:50 PM

JW

“ *Jackie W lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush*



Jackie W - July 11 at 12:31 PM

JW

“ Sending my condolences & prayers to Mr Ken & family Will always remember seeing Ms Beth's smiling face when walking in at my place of employment & sharing her pictures around the holidays & how she loved the chocolate macadamian candies I brought from Kaua'i God Bless RIP

Jackie W - July 11 at 12:31 PM

GB

“ Gary Ball lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush



Gary Ball - July 11 at 11:01 AM

RC

“ RobJacki Carels sent a virtual gift in memory of Elizabeth Streaker Bush



RobJacki Carels - July 11 at 08:53 AM

PF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Ken and all her friends and family.



Phil Foster - July 11 at 01:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.

July 10 at 07:16 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Streaker Bush.



July 10 at 07:16 PM



“ I cannot begin to put into words all that my beloved Beth has meant to me as well as to all whose lives have been touched by her love, generosity, compassion, and thoughtfulness. She truly enriched the lives of all she touched, and she will always live within our hearts as she enjoys the fruits of her labors at the table of her Lord and Savior. Rest well, dear Beth, in the arms of your Lord.

Marilyn Moxley Embrey - July 10 at 07:02 PM



“ Beth touched my life in so many ways. She's been a pillar of goodness, Godliness, and strength. I will miss her very much .

Dorothy P. Woodard - July 10 at 03:51 PM