



## Katherine Poe Duer

June 13, 1931 - September 14, 2022

Katherine "Kitty" Poe Duer of Easton, MD, died on September 14, 2022, at Bayleigh Chase. She was 91 years old.

She was born in Baltimore, MD, on June 13, 1931, to Edgar Allan Poe, Jr. and Katherine Richards Poe. She attended Garrison Forest School in Owings Mills, MD.

Kitty was a sales representative for handmade designer clothing for Doncaster for over 15 years. She and Nancy Trippe were the top sales team for Doncaster. Her loves, besides her family, were hunting for great antique deals at Nelson's Auction House; her dogs; and playing bridge and dominos. She attended Christ Church of Easton and was very involved in the Christ Church rummage sale for decades. She was a member of Green Springs Valley Hunt Club in Owings Mills; the Talbot Country Club in Easton; and The Harbor Club in Easton.

She married John Marshall Morgan, the father of her children. That marriage ended in divorce. She married Charlie Molesworth in 1968 and lived happily for 16 years until his death in 1985. Adgate Duer and Kitty, lifelong friends, fell in love and married in 1993, and lived a wonderful life filled with friends and parties until Ad's death in 2015. Kitty embraced everyone from all three marriages into one large family. She was the beloved "Memom" to all. Just this

past June, her family gathered in Rehoboth Beach in June 2022 for a week-long celebration of her 91st birthday.

Kitty was predeceased by her parents; her brother, Edgar Allan Poe, III; her daughters, Katherine Lee Morgan McDonough and Mary Alricks Morgan; her husbands, Adgate Duer (2015) and Charles Molesworth (1985); her stepsons, Robert Molesworth and Charles Molesworth, Jr.; a step-daughter-in-law, Barbara Molesworth; and a step-grandson Charles Molesworth III (Chip).

Kitty embraced everyone from all three marriages and joined them into one big family. She is survived by her son, John Marshall Morgan of Wilmington, NC; grandsons, Joshua Brent Geib (Christina) of Boynton Beach, FL, John Stewart McDonough (Christine) of Plymouth Meeting, PA, and Matthew Lee McDonough (Dawn) of Wilmington, DE; granddaughter, Katherine Elizabeth Jones (Richard) of Easton, MD; son-in-law, Stewart McDonough (Barbara) of Elkins Park, PA; sister-in-law, Chris Poe of Timonium, MD; cousin, Dickie Swisher, of San Diego, CA; step-daughter, Judith Molesworth Darnell (Larry) of Felton, CA, Margaret Duer Singh (Harsharon) of Columbia, MD, and Bo Duer Price (David) of Ferrisburg, VT; step-son Adgate Duer, Jr.; step-daughter in-law, Nancy Molesworth of Fuquay Varina, NC; eight step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and ten step-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at Christ Church in Easton on Saturday, September 17. Kitty will be buried at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church cemetery in Owings Mills, MD.

The family wishes to thank the Bayleigh Chase Assisted Living nurses and Talbot Hospice for their kindness and dedication to making her comfortable. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Talbot Hospice.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 17. 11:00 AM.

Christ Church  
111 Harrison St.  
Easton, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ Katherine Poe Duer

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ Katherine Poe Duer

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Katherine Poe Duer

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Kitty was a wonderful friend. I have thought about her often during Covid and chastise myself for not calling her during Covid, just to chat. For many years my bridge partner "Pinny" Claggett and I had 25 cent bets with Kitty and her bridge partner Nancy Collins. It was, of course, the glory of extracting the quarters from each other and gloating in front of the other players that mattered. Once I was playing a doubled 7 hearts contract that Kitty had doubled. On opening lead Nancy lead a low spade, Pinny as dummy laid down his hand with the much needed Ace of Spades, and I was sure we had the contract "in the bag", as I played the Ace. Kitty trumped in with the lowly deuce of hearts and offered one of her many aphorisms "You never know from where you sit, where the lady in the balcony is going to spit." I have remembered that hand and Kitty's delight for the past twenty years. Bob Shannahan*

**Bob Shannahan** - September 19, 2022 at 11:44 AM

JD

*Thank you Bob(by). Wonderful story!  
Judy D. (Stepdaughter)*

**Judy Darnell** - October 07, 2022 at 09:28 PM

BF

“ *Bonnie Foxwell lit a candle in memory of  
Katherine Poe Duer*



**Bonnie foxwell** - September 17, 2022 at 06:11 PM

TA

“ *My first wife Mary Ames Alfriend and Kitty were the best of friends  
for many years living around Garrison, and our homes nearby. She  
was a wonderful and fun part of our lives. The last time I saw her  
was at Ad Duer's service, but had spoken with her since. I will miss  
her a great deal, and will always have those memories.  
Ted Alfriend and Leah Duer Alfriend*

**Ted Alfriend** - September 16, 2022 at 05:48 PM

BM

“ *Many middle of the night conversations I have had with Kitty since  
she has been at Bayleigh Chase Assisted Living. Over time we  
became friends and I will miss our talk. I was always so impressed  
by her love for reading. It didn't take her long to read a book and  
move onto the next! She was so happy to go on her family vacation  
this summer in Rehobeth. She talked about it for months prior to  
going. It was evident how important her family was to her in our  
talks. My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of loss. 🙏*

**Barbara Marshall** - September 16, 2022 at 02:30 AM