



## Marianne Kathleen Wegener

October 8, 1929 - December 20, 2024

Marianne K. Wegener was called home to be with her Lord on December 20, 2024, at the age of 95. A resident of Easton, Maryland, Marianne dedicated her life to faithful service to God, her family, and her community.

Born on October 8, 1929, in Buffalo, New York, to Lawrence and Ida Mae Goodwin, Marianne's early years were shaped by her family's move to St. Louis, MO, during the Great Depression. It was in St. Louis that she spent her childhood and met her husband of 49 years, John "Marty" Wegener. Surrounded by their extended family, they cherished lively barbecues and year-round gatherings filled with cousins, laughter and love.

In 1965, Marianne and Marty, along with their growing family, took the leap of faith and moved to the Eastern Shore of Maryland, becoming devoted members of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish. Because the call of the Lord was louder than her then 8 children, Marianne began, in 1967, to develop Ss. Peter and Paul's sacramental preparation programs for baptism, reconciliation, First Communion and confirmation, as well as organizing the RCIA program. She also organized an ecumenical Vacation Bible School in 1968 that brought together 26 congregations including white and black, during the civil rights movement, and taught religion in the parish school. Always one to further her knowledge, in 1980 Marianne completed the Loyola of New Orleans Master's Program. From 1989 to 2008, Marianne served as the

Director of Religious Education at Ss. Peter and Paul, where she inspired countless individuals to deepen their faith and answer God's call.

Like a sand dollar, Marianne found much peace, growth, and spiritual enlightenment at the beach. She could be found taking long morning walks and swimming in the ocean (alone for once). She shared that love with her family, making yearly pilgrimages and building lasting memories with her grandchildren.

Her adventurous spirit led her to travel extensively across Europe, with multiple visits to Ireland to connect with her Irish heritage, as well as to the Holy Land, retracing the steps of Saint Paul. Whether exploring with family or friends, Marianne embraced new cultures, art, music, literature, and experiences with joy and gratitude.

Marianne's life was marked by her spirit, determination and ever-present sense of humor. Although we grieve her passing, we celebrate the remarkable woman she was. She leaves behind a legacy of unconditional love, faith and generosity that permeates our daily lives. We miss her every day and hold her forever dancing in our hearts.

Marianne's legacy lives on in the form of 9 loving children Stephan (Lisa), Joanne (Terry), Brian (Margie), Chris (Mary), Karen (Jim), Maureen (Dan), Tracy (Wade), Victoria (Jeff) and Rebecca, 17 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Her home was always loud, lively and occasionally in need of a headcount.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings Patricia Krause and James Goodwin, and her beloved Marty, who has undoubtedly been waiting for her with a plate of barbecue and a smile.

Friends may call at Saints Peter and Paul Church in Easton, MD on Saturday, December 28, 2024 from 2:00 – 3:00 PM. A funeral mass will follow at 3:00 pm. Burial will take place at St. Joseph Cemetery, Cordova, MD.

Memorial donations may be made in her name to Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Saints Peter and Paul Conference Inc., Easton, MD.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **28**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (est)

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church  
1210 South Washington Street  
Easton, MD

## Funeral Mass

DEC **28**. 3:00 PM (est)

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# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ We are so grateful to have learned about Marianne through the stories and lives of her children and grandchildren. Patrick Franks is my brother in love. He and the entire family we have had the privilege of meeting are exceptional, surely a testament to her legacy of a faithful life in service to the Lord and her family. We are keeping the whole family in our prayers as they hold her close to their hearts.

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**julie oneal jardine** - December 30, 2024 at 02:19 PM

JK

“ Marianne was one of the most wonderful women I have known. Janet Perkins



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**Janet Perkins Kullman** - December 28, 2024 at 07:23 PM

CD

“ Catherine D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marianne Kathleen Wegener.

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**Catherine D.** - December 27, 2024 at 03:28 PM

CS

“ Carla & Chris Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Marianne Kathleen Wegener



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**Carla & Chris Stevenson** - December 27, 2024 at 02:27 PM

ES

“ Aunt Marianne’s deep faith, peace in adversity and sacrificial love was always evident. She shared this with her beloved mother-in-law, Marie Wegener. Her life well lived will have ripple effects for eternity.

Eric Schwartzkopf - December 24, 2024 at 11:29 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Marianne Kathleen Wegener.



December 24, 2024 at 11:17 AM

JC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Marianne was one of the first people I met when I moved to the shore serving on the parish council with her. She was the grand lady with a strong faith In God and also in humanity. She left this world a better place. May she rest in peace and may the family’s wonderful memories ease their grief.

Jean Carrion - December 24, 2024 at 09:35 AM

KC

“ Deepest condolences to the entire Wegener family. Your mother was such a wonderful person! Many memories as a teenager being at the house as well as when we taught Sunday School with her later as an adult.  
Love, Jimmy and Karen Callahan



Karen Callahan - December 24, 2024 at 08:59 AM

PF

“ Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of Marianne Kathleen Wegener



Phil Foster - December 24, 2024 at 02:28 AM

HF

“ Hopkins “Extended Family” planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marianne Kathleen Wegener.

Hopkins “Extended Family” - December 24, 2024 at 01:15 AM

HF

“ Hopkins “Extended Family” purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Marianne Kathleen Wegener.



Hopkins “Extended Family” - December 24, 2024 at 01:15 AM

PM

“ Pattie Murphy lit a candle in memory of Marianne Kathleen Wegener



Pattie Murphy - December 23, 2024 at 09:13 PM

ES

“ Eric, Sallie, and Kim Schwartzkopf. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marianne Kathleen Wegener.

Eric, Sallie, and Kim Schwartzkopf. - December 23, 2024 at 02:18 PM

ES

“ Eric, Sallie, and Kim Schwartzkopf. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marianne Kathleen Wegener.



Eric, Sallie, and Kim Schwartzkopf. - December 23, 2024 at 02:18 PM

CG

“ Mrs. Wegener was an amazing person. She was always thinking of others and has been a cherished family friend.

Cassie Guy - December 23, 2024 at 11:36 AM

CG

“ Cassie Guy lit a candle in memory of Marianne Kathleen Wegener



Cassie Guy - December 23, 2024 at 11:34 AM