



## Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson

June 5, 1939 - December 25, 2025

Kathleen Janice Thompson (née Buell), born June 5, 1939, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Alfred and Margaret Buell, was the second child and first daughter in her family. She graduated from Vermilion High School in 1958 and married the love of her life, George Thompson, on June 28, 1958. Together, they built a beautiful life centered on faith, family, and service.

Kathleen was a devoted wife and mother to four children: George Thompson III (Beth Quimby), Amy O’Neal (Steve O’Neal), Elizabeth Thompson, and Meg Walter (Robert Walter). Her joy multiplied with her seven grandchildren—Sarah Sorsaburu (Sturgeon), Kaitlyn Katko (O’Neal), Maria Pearce (Thompson), Emily Alfonso (O’Neal), Rachel Benavidez (Sturgeon), Allyson Thompson, and Joseph Walter—and nine great-grandchildren: Bastian Sorsaburu, Oliver Katko, Eloise Katko, Kaelen Pearce, Clara Alfonso, Lucian Sorsaburu, Alice Benavidez, Sofia Alfonso, and Leo Benavidez. Her license plate proudly read “Gransgot7,” a testament to her love for her growing family.

Kathleen’s life was marked by joy, kindness, and unwavering faith. She dedicated herself to raising her children and later supporting her grandchildren, always choosing family first. For 23 years, she was an active member of Solsberry Christian Church, where she served tirelessly—helping launch Operation Outreach to provide food and clothing for those in need, starting a choir, and leading Bible studies. After retiring to Florida with George,

she continued her ministry by helping establish a church in the Tower Lakes community in Lake Wales. Kathleen lived by the principles of the Proverbs 31 woman—a wife of noble character.

Her passions were many: music of all kinds, spinning and weaving, Bible study, and exploring nature. She loved birdwatching, often with binoculars and bird book in hand, and spent countless hours collecting treasures in the woods near her home. Kathleen and George shared a love of travel, visiting destinations around the world including Tahiti, St. Thomas, England, Scotland, Canada, and every state in the contiguous United States.

Kathleen's legacy is one of faith, love, and service. She touched countless lives with her generosity and grace, and her memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Visitation will be Monday, December 29, 2025 from 12:00PM to 2:00 PM with a Memorial Service to follow at 2:00 p.m. at the Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37. Graveside service will be held in Bluffton Ohio at the Thompson Cemetery on Tuesday, December 30, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. The family would be grateful for donations to be made to the Alzheimer's Association in lieu of flowers.

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **29**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Memorial Service

DEC **29**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LW

“ I was so sad to hear of Kathy's passing. I have so many wonderful memories of time spent with her and all the family. It's so comforting to know that we will have a big celebration and reunion in Heaven when we all are called home. Love to you all.

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**Lora Hudson Watson** - December 31, 2025 at 08:24 PM

DB

“ Danny B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.

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**Danny B.** - December 29, 2025 at 05:46 PM

DR

“ Daniel R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.

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**Daniel R.** - December 29, 2025 at 09:13 AM

TB

“ So very sorry for your loss, Elizabeth, and family. Sending hugs & prayers in this time of sorrow. God bless.

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**Tonya Bridwell** - December 28, 2025 at 07:27 PM

MA

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. Kathleen was like a second mother to me during my childhood. I loved the fact that she was always happy. Her love for Jesus was insurmountable, and His light shown through her. I’m so sorry that I can’t attend the visitation due to a work obligation; however, my thoughts and prayers will be with you all in the days to come.



Michelle Aliano - December 28, 2025 at 02:29 PM

MA

Missy Aliano (Hudson)

Michelle Aliano - December 29, 2025 at 02:43 PM

PH

“ Love and hugs to my nieces, nephew and families. Your mother was special to all of us and especially to my brother. Quite a love story they lived!

Penelope ( Thompson ) Hamlin - December 28, 2025 at 01:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.



December 28, 2025 at 09:08 AM

MP

“ What a sweet, wonderful lady. What a life well-lived. Her lasting legacy is her beautiful family. My heart goes out to Elizabeth and her loved ones.

Marty Pieratt - December 28, 2025 at 09:00 AM

RA

“ Roy and Maureen Alfonso purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.



Roy and Maureen Alfonso - December 28, 2025 at 08:46 AM

TF

“ The Sorsaburu family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.



The Sorsaburu family - December 28, 2025 at 04:50 AM

TF

“ The Sorsaburu family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.

The Sorsaburu family - December 28, 2025 at 04:50 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.



December 27, 2025 at 09:16 PM



“ Love, Josie, Laurie and the Hanus’ planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Janice (Buell) Thompson.

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**Love, Josie, Laurie and the Hanus’** - December 27, 2025 at 09:16 PM