

Clarine Elizabeth Kennedy (Kenaston) 86, of Beverly Hills, passed away on January 3rd 2024, under the loving care of her family and Vitas Hospice House in Lecanto. Clarine was born on May 4, 1937, in Lakewood, Rhode Island to the late Eugene Francis and Ada Kenaston (Whittet). After attending South Lancaster Academy in South Lancaster, MA, Clarine earned her Licensed Practical Nurse degree from Kent County Hospital. She married James Kennedy on September 10, 1955.



Clarine worked at Kent County Hospital in Warwick, RI, before joining New England Memorial Hospital (NEMH) in Stoneham, MA. She was a lifelong member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, dedicated to their mission work in healthcare. Together with her husband, James, they gave nearly 50 years of collective service supporting the mission. She retired in 1990 as Director of Risk Management, Quality Assurance, and Patient Relations after more than 24 years of dedicated service at NEMH.

Clarine was not only an advocate for students with learning challenges but also argued for individualized academic opportunities for students. Additionally, she served on the Greater Boston Academy School Board.

Clarine was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, James Kennedy, formerly of Beverly Hills, Florida; siblings, Eugene Kenaston (deceased), and Elder Henry Kenaston (deceased); children, Cherie Ada Milliron, Cynthia Leona Silver (deceased), James Edward Kennedy, Jr., and Thomas Eugene (Thomasine) Kennedy; grandchildren, Daniel Milliron, Kristyn Parker, Dr. Kimberly Silver Dunker, Jonathan Milliron, Michael Silver, Jr., Cherie Lynn Olsen, Christopher Kennedy, Logan Milliron, Joshua Silver, Ethan Kennedy, and Genevieve Kennedy; and twelve great-grandchildren.

Interment and graveside services will be conducted at Elm Grove Cemetery in North Kingston, RI. A Florida Celebration of Life service will be scheduled at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the James & Clarine Kennedy Memorial Endowment with the Citrus County Education Foundation.

Tax deductible donations may be made electronically by clicking on the PayPal link at <https://www.citruseducation.org> or contributions may also be paid by check.

Please make checks payable to Citrus County Education Foundation (CCEF) and mailed to:
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Local Arrangements are under the direction of Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, FL.