



Margaret Josephine Kaltenthaler

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Margaret Josephine (Peg) Kaltenthaler (nee Downs) passed away on Monday, March 2, 2026 at her residence in University City, Missouri.

Margaret was born on May 3, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Dr. Vernon S. Downs and Lillian Downs (nee Greer).

Peg was preceded in death by her husband Henry J. Kaltenthaler III, her son Karl, and her sister Mary Ellen Spence. She is survived by her children Ellen (Nathan) Schroeder, Bill (Lisa Fratianni), and Alice, grandchildren Peter, Lizzy, Lucy, Alex, and Samantha, great-grandchildren MaggieMae, Barrett, and Rosemary, and numerous cousins and nieces and nephews.

Peg was a long-time member of Second Presbyterian Church, serving as elder and deaconess, long-time board member of The Green Center, animal observer for the Wolf Sanctuary, and animal observer and volunteer at the St. Louis Zoo.

Per Margaret's wishes, her brain has been donated to the Memory and Aging Project and her body has been donated to the University of Tennessee Forensic Anthropology Research Facility.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, May 17, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church, 4501 Westminster Place, St. Louis, Missouri 63108.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Green Center, 8025 Blackberry Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63130-2700

Services provided by Hughes Funeral Alternatives in St. Louis, Missouri. Family and friends can sign the family's online guestbook at <https://www.HughesFA.com>




Events

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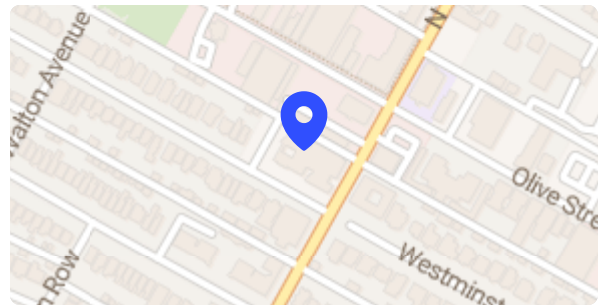
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 3:00 PM CT

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Susan Andrews posted:

I was privileged to serve as Peg's pastor for two years at Second Presbyterian Church. She was a faithful worshipper and participant, and devoted as a caregiver for her husband. Her daughter, Ellen, and son-in-law Nathan were constants in her life and they enjoyed lively conversations and commitment to all things green and beautiful. Peg was a bright, quiet pillar and a lovely person.

April 13 at 10:09 AM

CK

Christine Kwong posted:

Margaret (Peg) was my mother's first cousin. They enjoyed a strong friendship. Some things I will remember about Peg include her profound belief in equality, her honesty, her intellect, her strong faith, her joy in family, her sense of humor, her laugh!

March 26 at 10:57 AM

CK

Christine Kwong posted:

Some things I will remember about Peg (first cousin to my mother Doris:)Her belief in the equality of all, her honesty, her intellect, her sense of humor, her laugh, her strong faith, her interest in all things, her joy in family...Peg, you will continue you to be missed! - Chris

March 26 at 10:50 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Margaret by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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