

On January 29 of this year we lost our beloved mother, Kathryn Anne Trippe Terrill, 80, whose friends knew her as Kathy, died comfortably at home after battling cancer for a number of years. Kathy was born the eldest of six in Toledo, Ohio on February 3, 1943 and married Bill Terrill on Leap Year Day in 1964. They lived in Vestal, New York and raised their daughter Lynn and son Bob. The family moved with their two dogs to the countryside of Warrenton, Virginia in 1972 and enjoyed many happy years that included hiking in the Shenandoah National Park on the weekends and skiing outings.

At home, when not swimming in their pool or playing tennis, Kathy helped create a magnificent all-organic garden and put up vegetables and fruits, inspiring her friends to join her. Kathy and Bill planned vacations to explore beaches and historic spots rich in natural beauty all throughout the east coast of the United States.

Kathy worked for a sewing notions store and was a talented seamstress, even making her own square-dancing dresses when she and Bill joined a class. She became interested in needlepoint, and organized a group of neighborhood friends in a weekly group who learned the Italian needlework Bargello.

A lifelong avid reader, she worked at the Fauquier Co. Public Library for years. The Terrills moved briefly to Burlington, Vermont in 1982, where they ice skated on Lake Champlain and skied Mount Mansfield. They moved to Niwot, Colorado shortly after and Kathy indulged in her passion for gardening, becoming certified as a Master Gardener. She loved walking her favorite paths throughout Boulder, and was frequently absorbed in documentaries about fascinating subjects: European history, architecture, literature, and classical music. With Bill she joined a play reading and acting group, developing many lasting friendships.

In Boulder, Kathy was also a member of the University Women's Club for almost 30 years, serving on the UWC Board in various roles for 9 years. Kathy and Bill moved to lovely Crozet, Virginia in 2023, enjoying the closeness to Bob and his wife Sarah (nee Willis) and their three grandchildren, Ava, Stuart and Silas. Kathy's brilliance and discipline and her appreciation for beauty and life will live on in our hearts.

