



Kathleen Curry

November 22, 1945 - November 5, 2025

In Remembrance and Celebration of the Life of Kathleen “Bootsie” Curry

Kathleen Curry, more commonly known as Bootsie, was born on November 22, 1945, and departed from this life on November 5, 2025 at age 79. She lived in Stamford, Connecticut throughout her life.

After attending Stamford Public Schools and graduating from Stamford High School in 1963, Bootsie earned a clerical certificate from Merrill Business School. Her first job was as a file clerk at Pitney Bowes, and then she worked as a bank teller. Bootsie then worked as a receptionist at Greenwich Hospital. During that time, she started a second job at Rudy’s Limousine as a reservationist and worked there for 30 years until 2019. She was a truly dedicated worker. Even when it became difficult for her to drive herself to and from her job at Rudy’s, she hired a driver so that she could continue to work. Besides working, Bootsie enjoyed trips to New York City, shopping, reading magazines, and watching TV -- especially Family Feud, judge shows, and football. She also developed a love for football in recent years and looked forward to discussing football games with her son-in-law.

For many years, Bootsie was a member of Wilson Memorial Church of God in Christ in Stamford, Connecticut and sang in the choir. Even when she no longer attended services, she maintained contact with a number of her friends there and loved hosting friends for meals in her home.

After an unfortunate fall in February of 2019, Bootsie was no longer able to remain in her home and began to reside at Civita Care Center. She became fast friends with the certified nursing assistants who cared for her as well as her social worker, nurses, and other residents. She was known as “The Mayor.” She especially enjoyed sitting in the lobby, greeting everyone who walked through the door, and socializing with others who were in the lobby, too.

What people will remember most about Bootsie is her generosity, gift of gab, and gorgeous sense of style, especially her manicured nails. (She even sold her nails to Revlon once so that they could “study” them.) Chatting was like a sport for Bootsie. Whether in person or on the phone, she liked sharing the latest information about friends and talking about current events. And she loved giving gifts, taking pleasure and pride in selecting presents for family, friends, and even people she hadn’t met. For example, at the end of each school year, she ordered personalized balloons for each of her daughter’s elementary school students.

Bootsie lived life on her own terms. If she wanted something, she found a way to get it. If she didn’t want to do something, she didn’t. Despite her physical limitations, she enjoyed life – visiting with family and friends, riding around the care center in her electric wheelchair, and sitting outside on sunny days.

During a visit a couple of years ago with her daughter, she said, “Everybody has a time to die. God sets that time.” Bootsie’s time has come, but she will rejoice in her reunion with her family members who are already in heaven.

Bootsie was predeceased by her parents, Juanita Ralph Curry and Rickey Curry. She is survived by her daughter, Valerie Bolling, and son-in-law, Sheldon Ayers; sister, Diane Curry and nephews, Raymond and Robert Shuler; godchildren, Randall Ralph, Adrienne Towns, and Deneen Wilkinson Brown; and many family members and friends.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, November 22 from 10 - 11 a.m. at Stamford Church of Christ, 1264 High Ridge Road, in Stamford, CT. A memorial service will immediately follow at 11 a.m. For memorial gifts, please

consider donating to Inspirica, Inc., a local food bank, or your favorite charity in Kathleen Curry's name. Bootsie's family would like to thank the dedicated staff at Civita Care Center and the Constellation Hospice Team for their professional and compassionate care.

Interment will be private

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Stamford Church of Christ
1264 High Ridge Rd
Stamford, CT

Memorial

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Tribute Wall

DF

“ Dear Valerie,
My mother and I, Joan Harvey-Fields were so sorry to learn about the passing of your mother, my mother's childhood friend. My mother and Kathleen grew up in the same neighborhood, attended the same elementary school and knew each other since they were five or six years old! We reconnected with Bootsie 7 months ago at Civita, as she greeted us as we walked in the door to visit my grandmother. She had a smile on her face and knew my mother immediately! She had a beautiful personality, a great memory, and chatted with me about you. She is now resting, no longer in pain, and blessed the lives of many. I am sending you prayers of comfort during this time. Rest in peace, Deborah K. Fields

Deborah K. Fields - November 24, 2025 at 07:51 AM

AD

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

Amra D. - November 22, 2025 at 07:32 PM

G(

“ My condolences to the family of Ms. Kathleen Curry. I met Ms. "Bootsie" in Civita Care where my Mom was also (Ms. Eddie Mae Latta who passed, Nov. 13). Ms. "Bootsie" definitely had a beautiful personality! She was always in the Lobby of Civita greeting us. Sleep In Peace, Ms. Bootsie.



Gale D. Houser (EJ) - November 22, 2025 at 04:50 PM

VB

Thank you for the lovely note. I'm sorry to hear your mother passed a week after mine. Yes, my mother liked to sit in the lobby and greet people.

Valerie Bolling - November 24, 2025 at 12:34 AM

KJ

“ *Karen J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Curry.*

Karen J. - November 21, 2025 at 11:50 AM

LK

“ *Lizzy and Ken purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kathleen Curry.*



Lizzy and Ken - November 21, 2025 at 11:40 AM

JR

“ *Jaqueline Restrepo purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kathleen Curry.*



Jaqueline Restrepo - November 20, 2025 at 05:43 PM

DG

“ Kathleen, we love you and miss you, but we will all be together soon.

Love,

Carolyn Ralph Anderson

Marjorie Ralph Goree

Dana Goree

Dana Goree - November 19, 2025 at 01:01 PM

VB

Thank you for your note, Dana. My mother was happy when you came to visit her.

Valerie Bolling - November 24, 2025 at 12:34 AM

DS

“ To the family, sorry to learn of the passing of your loved one. Cherish your memories and know that she is resting in peace.

Dawn Solomon - November 17, 2025 at 09:45 AM

VB

Thank you, Dawn.

Valerie Bolling - December 03, 2025 at 12:56 PM

CG

“ Carlota Garcia purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kathleen Curry.



Carlota Garcia - November 16, 2025 at 08:11 PM

CG

“ *Carlota Garcia planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Curry.*

Carlota Garcia - November 16, 2025 at 08:11 PM

NA

“ *On behalf of the Bailey family, we extend sincere condolences to Valerie and the entire family. May God uphold you in His everlasting arms of comfort, peace and love.*
Natalie Bailey

Natalie - November 14, 2025 at 11:25 PM

VB

Thank you and your family for your condolences, Natalie.

Valerie Bolling - November 16, 2025 at 11:54 PM

EI

“ *Edward Johnson, III purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kathleen Curry.*



Edward Johnson, III - November 14, 2025 at 07:33 AM

DA

“ Dear Valerie and family,
I worked with Kat for many years. She was a kind, extraordinary woman who loved life and loved people. Her friendship was a treasure to anyone who experienced it. She was kind and generous and helped so many people who were having difficult times or in distress Kat was there for them. She always remembered important events and especially your birthday. I received a card from Kat every year on my birthday and always held it to my heart and treasured it that she always remembered me. Kat was so proud of her family and the accomplishments of her daughter and son-in-law and her nieces and and nephews. We had many meaningful conversations that I will never forget.
I rejoice and celebrate Kat to know that she is now with our Lord , Jesus. A big thank you to Kats family for sharing her with all of us, my deepest sympathies and prayers to you.
Donna Anderson

donna anderson - November 12, 2025 at 05:34 PM

VB

Thank you for all you've shared, Donna. Yes, my mother was super-generous and remembered everyone's birthday and helped those who were going through challenging times. Thanks for your prayers.

Valerie Bolling - November 16, 2025 at 11:53 PM

MK

“ To the family of Kathleen Curry

I worked with this wonderful lady for many years at Rudy's. We went to the movies, out to dinner with Pete Larkin and other adventures.

She was a great friend and my condolences go out to her family who has lost a light and a woman who loved to laugh.

Take care Kat and sending hugs and kisses to you girlfriend 💜💔

Mary Kane - November 11, 2025 at 05:42 PM

VB

Thank you for your note, Mary, and for sharing your fond memories of my mom. I remember the name Dr. Larkin. I also found a photo of my mom that must have been taken during one of your "adventures."

Valerie Bolling - November 16, 2025 at 11:52 PM

HC

“ *I am saddened by Bootsies passing but rejoicing in knowing she has a really big smile on her face now that she has made it in. Growing up on Hanrahan and Green St neighborhood was a joy that you would only now if you lived it. All kids would either play stickball or run races in those streets or Hart School playground, and Bootsie ran fast. The best unknown time to us was that everyone on those two streets got along and watched out for one another. It took a village to raise a safe neighborhood. RIP Bootsie you've earned it. OOur condolences to Valerie and family. Sorry we can't be there to celebrate your mom's home going. Much 💜*



Howard & Jill Cook - November 11, 2025 at 12:06 PM

KW

Aunt Bootsie, I have a lifetime of memories, of places you took us (The Wilkinson's) the many conversations we had, the visits, the dinners some of which I cooked 😊 I Thank God for the relationship!! And will cherish the memories!! Valerie, Sheldon And Family, you are forever in my prayers, and little cousins we will get together, when ever I come home!! I Love you to Life!! Rest Aunt Bootsie, I'll Love you forever ❤️❤️

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Kendra White - November 12, 2025 at 03:22 AM

VB

Thank you for your kind note, Kendra. You know Bootsie loved you. I'm glad you'll be able to join the service virtually.

Valerie Bolling - November 16, 2025 at 11:39 PM

VB

*Thank you for your condolences, Howard and Jill. I also appreciate you sharing those memories; I didn't know my mother was a fast runner; that was a fun fact to read. If you'd like to tune in to the service via live stream, you can do so here:
<https://www.facebook.com/StamfordChurchofChrist>.*

Valerie Bolling - November 16, 2025 at 11:45 PM