



## Kathleen Welles Fender

February 19, 1938 - December 19, 2020

Kathleen Welles Fender (Kate), 82, of Summerville, widow of Arthur D. Fender Sr., passed away on Saturday, December 19, 2020 at the Villages of Summerville.

Family and friends are invited to attend her visitation and service on Wednesday December 23, 2020 at Boone Hill UMC, 801 Boone Hill Road, Summerville SC 29483. Services will begin at 1 o'clock. Burial will be private at Dorchester Memory Gardens. The church requires face coverings and for everyone to practice social distancing.

Contributions in memory of Kathleen may be made to Meals on Wheels, PO Box 592, Summerville SC 29484 ([MOWSummerville.org](http://MOWSummerville.org)) or Memorials may be made to Boone Hill UMC, 801 Boone Hill Rd, Summerville, SC 29483.

Kathleen was born February 19, 1938 in Miami, Florida, the daughter of the late Gurdon H. and AnnaBelle L. Welles. She was predeceased by her husband of 51 years, Arthur D. Fender Sr., son, Arthur Duane Fender Jr, son-in-law Jack LeaMond and her sister Donna Boden.

She was a retired clerk of 25 years with Southern Bell/AT&T. She was a member of Boone Hill United Methodist Church, a homemaker, sister, mother, and Nana to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She served as a volunteer for Meals on Wheels for 15+ years and with the Low Country Special Olympics for several years.

Kathleen was an active member of Boone Hill UMC for over 40 years where she enjoyed attending church services, serving on numerous committees, and

was an active member of the UMW group. She was named Boone Hill UMC's Mother of the Year in 2005. She enjoyed cross-country trips with her husband, Art, and their camping group, the Sunny Travelers. She loved attending sporting events and spending time with family, especially her grand-children and great grand-children.

She is survived by her brother Buck Welles (Dee) of Florida, two daughters, Kathy F. Charpia (Royce) of Summerville, SC, and Lois LeaMond of Manning, SC and her daughter in law Lynn Fender of Fork Union Va. She is also survived by her seven grandchildren Royce 'Bo' Charpia Jr. (Lauren), Elizabeth Charpia (Jeremiah), Lauren Reed (Danny), Lindsay Owanesian (Chris), Alan Pease, Caroline LeaMond (Ryan), Katie LeaMond, twelve great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to the folks at the Villages of Summerville for their wonderful care and attention of Kathleen over these past two years.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at [www.jamesadyal.com](http://www.jamesadyal.com).

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **23**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Boone Hill United Methodist Church  
801 Boone Hill Road  
Summerville, SC 29483

## Service

DEC **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kathleen Welles Fender*

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *It took a very long time to say goodbye to this beautiful lady. She tried so hard to stay with you all. Remember her big smile and great sense of humor. Know she loved you and know you loved her well! We are thinking of you!*

*Lynn & Chuck*

**Lynn Gaunt** - December 31, 2020 at 01:55 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for you and the family, Kathy. It was always a pleasure to care for your mother. She always had something funny to say! She brought many smiles to many. Thank you for sharing her with all the students and me!*

*Joanne Caccamise*

**Joanne Caccamise** - December 31, 2020 at 10:38 AM



“ *Prayers and Condolences to the family. She will be missed. Worked with Kate at BellSouth.*

*Hoppi Cooper  
N Charleston SC*



**Hoppi Cooper** - December 25, 2020 at 06:53 PM

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“ *My family moved to Charleston at the same time as your family from Mobile, Alabama. My father was CMSGT J.C. Weathers and my mom is Johnnie Weathers. She worked with your mom at Southern Bell. We lived down the street in Northwood Estates. My mom saw your mom's obit in the paper and wanted me to express our most sincere condolences on your mom's passing. May your precious memories console you.*

*Sheryl Weathers*

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**Sheryl Weathers** - December 23, 2020 at 02:40 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathleen Welles Fender.*



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December 21, 2020 at 06:45 PM