



## Vivian R. Young

April 28, 1950 - September 27, 2023

Vivian R. Young, age 73 of Mentor, passed away September 27, 2023 at Danbury of Mentor. She was born on April 28, 1950 in Fort Belvoir, VA.

As the second youngest child of an army family, Vivian got used to things changing around her. The one constant was her close-knit "six pack" of siblings. A number of stories of Viv's sweetness and stubbornness were shared freely and fondly between generations of the extended Stark clan.

It was that same sweetness though that was central throughout her life, and one need only look at the profession she chose. Like a surprising hint of butterscotch unexpected in a batch of chocolate chip cookies Mrs. Young brought surprises and smiles to generations of children. From classrooms all across Mentor Public Schools, Mrs. Young showed special care for each student. With a bathtub full of costumes, encyclopedic knowledge of the lands of Narnia, a passion for math and the mysteries of Native American history, every child learned to be curious, creative, and kind in Mrs. Young's class.

She doted on her two boys, and Mom saw both of us as a bundle of gifts to nurture and challenges to overcome. Just like her students we learned we were unique, and wonderful, and with hard work great things could happen.

At the end the best that remained of Miss Vivian was her sweetness. She

smiled more and laughed easily. When she passed Miss Vivian was surrounded by people who began as nurses and aides, but in a few short years became dear friends.

She is survived by her sons, Jeffery and Jeremy Young, their respective wives and family, her cat Buddy, as well as her sister Kathy McCarthy and the extended Stark clan flung across the United States.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Christopher E. Young; parents Col. Kenneth and Eleanor Stark, sisters Diane and Eileen, as well as brothers Ken "Sonny" and Bill Stark.

The family will receive friends from 4-6 p.m. on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral service will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, October 14, 2023 at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made in Mrs. Young's memory to the Cleveland Area Chapter of the Alzheimers Association in Beachwood. Information available at: <https://www.alz.org/cleveland>

Offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **14.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our sympathy to Jeffery, Jeremy and family's. We have fond memories of your Mom and Dad when we where neighbors in the Headlands. Your Dad actually took my wedding photos. We lost contact for a while but your Mom used to bring her cat into be groomed at my sister Chris's grooming shop. It was nice to reminisce about you two and what she was involved with.*

*Our sympathies are with you both.*

*Kathy (McGrattan) & Mark Wilde*

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**Kathy Wilde** - October 04, 2023 at 07:04 PM