



## Cathy Lee Reese

July 14, 1960 - July 18, 2013

Cathy L. Reese, age 53, of Kennett Square, PA, went home to be with the Lord on July 18, 2013. A woman of excellence, integrity, and the highest moral character, Cathy lived her life in devotion to her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, her family, and her career. A rare individual, she touched the lives of others with her compassion, service, and talents. Cathy's life was punctuated with many unique circumstances and experiences. She grew up in Mt. Shasta, California and moved to the east coast to attend college. Cathy graduated from Columbia University, magna cum laude and earned a Juris Doctor degree with honors from George Washington University Law School. Cathy was a Principal in the Delaware office of Fish & Richardson, heading the firm's Chancery and Corporate Governance practice and as well as Chair of the IP Risk Management Group. As a seasoned trial attorney, Cathy was highly respected by her peers and clients for her expertise in complex commercial litigation, intellectual property, trade secrets, and technology. Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers ranked Cathy as a leading litigator in Delaware's Court of Chancery. She was selected by Delaware's legal community as one of the top 10 corporate litigators. Named by Law & Politics as a "Delaware Super Lawyer", she has also been listed since 2008 in the national Corporate Counsel Edition of Super Lawyers in the area of business litigation. Cathy was widely published with many prestigious legal articles and publications to her credit, as well as several important non-fiction pieces. A popular speaker and lecturer, Cathy was a faculty member of TopBoards

Speakers Bureau. Cathy served two terms as a Pennsylvania Committeewoman for Chester County, and was a member of the American and Delaware State Bar Associations, and the Christian Legal Society. Cathy served as a member on the Board of Trustees for both Delaware Hospice, Inc. and the Delaware Leadership Foundation, and as a member of the Houghton College President's Advisory Board. As a committed Christian, Cathy was active in Brandywine Valley Baptist Church. A loving and supportive wife and mother, she treasured time with her family, especially traveling and attending her children's many sporting events. Cathy was an avid reader and enjoyed tennis, swimming, skiing, and was a Philadelphia sports fan.

Cathy is survived by her husband of 31 years, Robert Paul Reese, Jr.; her sons, Robert "Beau" P. Reese III and Tucker Jonathan Reese; her daughter, Tyler Catherine Reese; her mother and father-in-law, Margaret and Robert P. Reese, Sr.; three brothers, John, Kaign, and William Christy; and her sisters, JoAnn Lamb and Caroline Trenham. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and JoAnn Christy.

Family and friends are invited to a Visitation on Tuesday, July 23, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at the Brandywine Valley Baptist Church, 7 Mt. Lebanon Rd, Wilmington, DE 19803. A service in celebration of Cathy's life will follow at 6:00 p.m. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests gifts can be made to Brandywine Valley Baptist Church, the Cathy L. Reese Memorial Fund at the above address. To express an online condolence visit [www.strano-feeley.com](http://www.strano-feeley.com)

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JUL 23. 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Brandywine Valley Baptist Church  
7 Mt. Lebanon Road  
Wilmington, DE

### Service

JUL 23. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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*Cathy,*

*Always a ready smile, a cheerful disposition and a sweet laugh. We participated in band together and were on the cheer squad together.*

*A very caring and strong soul. I want to express my condolences to the Mount Shasta family that I grew up with and Cathy's PA family as well.*

*I was very happy to hear of her life successess and am just so sorry that an accomplished, caring person has left this earth, we need more like her here.*

*Kindest regards,  
Karen Mattos-Kozak*

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**Karen** - September 05, 2013 at 06:58 PM

HR

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Cathy's passing. I attended church with Cathy and her family growing up. I was close to her mother who had a beautiful singing voice. Cathy was an inspiration to me. She always took time to say a kind word to me, even though I was much younger. She gave me wonderful advice and was a treasure to be around. I know she will be missed by all the lives that she touched. My prayers will be with the family. May God bring you comfort during these days ahead.*

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**Heidi Riddle** - August 23, 2013 at 07:36 AM

KG

“ I am so sorry to hear of Cathy's passing. I grew up with her and her siblings in Mt. Shasta and just recently returned. Cathy was a great friend and we had a good relationship growing up. I knew she wanted to be a Lawyer, and I am glad she followed her dreams. My Sympathy goes out to all her Family, she will be missed.  
Karen Gasho

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**Karen Gasho** - August 21, 2013 at 07:25 PM

LS

“ So very sorry to hear about Cathy ! So many good memories from the boys playing Crawdads baseball ! She was a warm and great person !

*The Snyders*

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**Laura Snyder** - August 17, 2013 at 07:33 PM

MH

“ I'm terribly saddened by the news of Cathy's passing. She is a fixture in the memories of my youth. We attended the same small church while growing up and the experiences shared with her and her siblings are too numerous to count. She was a woman of integrity, drive, and compassion and the world's loss is heaven's gain. To Rob and family, you are in my prayers. I pray God's grace and peace to you in this time of great loss and grief.

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**Mark Hand** - August 05, 2013 at 02:32 PM

DD

“ *Rob and Family*

*I just learned of Cathy's passing, I'm so sorry and saddened to hear of her death. I have great memories of you both from Houghton and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers throughout this tough time*

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**Dr. Dexter Davis** - July 30, 2013 at 08:33 PM

SG

“ *It is with a great sadness and a heavy heart that I send condolences to Cathy's family and her siblings. I knew her only through her sister, Joann.*

*I met Cathy only once and was awed by her beauty, sweetness and presence. I always remembered her looking like Linda Ronstadt, only more beautiful!*

*Joann adored and respected her. Wish I had known her better. She was a bright light. in this dark world..*

*Susan Gus*

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**Susan Gus** - July 30, 2013 at 02:37 PM

SH

“ *To the Family, Please accept my heartfelt sympathies for your loss. We all look forward to the near future when the earth will be a renewed paradise and death will be no more. (Rev 21:3,4)*

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**Sherry** - July 28, 2013 at 04:07 PM

RM

“ *Cathy's faith in Christ was a tremendous blessing to me. She lived every moment like it mattered. We were unable to be at the services, but we prayed all day for Christ to be glorified and for the speakers to have peace. We will continue to keep your family in our prayers. Love, Johnny and Rhonda Molin (cousins of Lisa Smith)*

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**Rhonda and John Molin** - July 28, 2013 at 12:02 PM

JS

“ *John and Jean Simms (BVBC) friends of parents of Robert Paul Reese, Jr. (Robert and Peggy Reese). Our deepest sympathy to the family.*

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**Jean and John Simms** - July 23, 2013 at 06:07 PM