

Originally from Michigan, Kathy earned her B.S. from Michigan State University. She has lived in Charleston, West Virginia since 1982. She is a member of the first graduating class of West Virginia University's executive management program where she earned her Master of Business Administration degree. Kathy has been in the financial services

industry since 1980 and focuses her attention on financial and estate planning. Kathy works at Hilliard Lyons as a Senior Vice President, Financial Consultant.

Kathy has two sons; Matthew, a graduate of Notre Dame who is married to Mandy. They have four children and "Granny K" loves to visit them in Fort Worth, Texas. Jay, is a graduate of Virginia Tech and married to Sandy. They have rescued and trained their three dogs to race in Fly Ball Tournaments and live in Roanoke, Virginia.

Kathy is married to Bob Sylvester and they both enjoy ministry through their local church and WVIS. Kathy is active at Blessed Sacrament Church, serving as lector, Eucharistic cup minister and a member of the Finance Committee. She is also active at the West Virginia Institute for Spirituality (WVIS). Kathy graduated from the Associate Spiritual Director program and ministers as an Associate Spiritual Director for individuals and groups. She also works as an assistant to the Executive Director and is President of the WVIS Alumni Association.