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Wendy was born in Washington, DC but her family relocated 1 year later to Miami when her father accepted a job with Eastern Airlines. The family settled in what's now known as Pinecrest. Wendy attended the first kindergarten class at Howard Drive then went on to Palmetto Jr High and Miami Palmetto Senior High School graduating in 1982. After not hearing back from her first choice, the University of Hawaii, she decided to attend THE Florida State University. Wendy's father gave her 2 rules: Join a sorority and pass her classes in 4 years and he would pay all the bills. Wendy quickly found her home at Delta Zeta. Wendy had a knack for fundraising and was actively involved in all philanthropic events, was appointed Member Liaison and was the official coordinator of the unofficial sisters' yearly road trips to Mardi Gras. She majored in Sociology and minored in Business Administration and graduated with honors in 4 years as planned. At the end of her junior year, she met the love of her life, Michael, at DZ's Spring Formal. Although he was not her date at the time, she was quickly drawn to him and by the next year she had her first candlelight ceremony and promise ring. Wendy decided to go back to Miami to work in retail (her first love) at Burdine's downtown. Michael soon joined her and finished his Construction Management degree at FIU. While at Burdines, Wendy was presented with their highest award: the Conch award for exemplary management, creativity, and profit margins. They were married in 1990. In 1991 they built their first house in Country Walk. Then in 1992 were displaced after Hurricane Andrew. As luck would have it, Michael was a GC and they got to return home in less than 8 months. After much soul-searching, Wendy decided to leave retail and join her parents in Real Estate at EWM. Their daughter Kendall was born 1996 and son Jake in 1998. Real Estate became the perfect career for her, and she continues to practice today after 30 years with the same company; now known as Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices EWM Realty. When the children were young, Wendy joined the South Florida Pre-School PTA where she held many positions including President. She raised thousands of dollars to help improve the lives of migrant families in South Dade. When Kendall was of age, she started a Girl Scout Troop with 14 girls that for the most part stayed with it until their graduation from high school. Each girl achieved bronze, silver, and gold awards before going off to college. Wendy is also the proud mother of an Eagle Scout. Both children attended TERRA Environmental High School where Wendy started the first and only fundraiser fondly named Howl at the Moon (TERRA Wolves) for just the parents and teachers. It quickly became a hit and is still happening today. This year she and Michael officially became empty nesters. Kendall is living her dream teaching English in Kobe, Japan and Jake is in Jacksonville working for Ernst and Young. Wendy is looking forward to traveling and volunteering more in 2022! Wendy's enthusiasm and zest are contagious and MWP is lucky to have her around!