



Carol Sue Bayert

June 14, 1936 - July 14, 2020

On Tuesday, July 14th, 2020, Carol Sue (Webb) Bayert, wife of Mark and mother of five children, died at the age of 84 at her home in Bloomington, MN.

Carol was born June 14, 1936 in Collinsville, IL to Vivian and Richard Webb. She earned her Associates Degree from Black Hawk College in Moline, IL and completed extended coursework in legal studies at Sangamon State University in Springfield, IL. Carol, a “born therapist,” worked for more than 35 years in Juvenile & Adult Probation and Social Work earning certifications and awards throughout her career. Her love of children, healthy families, and giving back to those in need were at the forefront of her profession and personal life.

Carol loved spending time outdoors feeding and listening to the birds, tending her flower gardens, reading books, watching movies and puzzling in front of a fire. She adored music, her faith and her friendships. She was a member of Oak Grove Presbyterian Church where she served as an Ordained Elder and Pastor’s wife. Carol was known for her amazing cooking and baking skills (especially her fried chicken), her creativity, quick wit & humor; her zest for life; and her love for family and friends.

Carol is survived by her three daughters Beth Frey of Davenport, IA; Diane (John) Griffin of Colorado Springs, CO; and Eve (Keith) Miller of St. Cloud,

MN; grandchildren Amy (Brian) Clark, Jeff (Erin) Frey, Mary (Corby) Frey, Amanda (Cory) LeVan, Adam Soady, Hailey Soady, Brooke (Yuri) Hardt, Kayla (Joel) Schnierle, Lauren (Edward) Bacalane, Isabella Miller & Claire Miller; and great-grandchildren Jack, Alyssa & Kaitlyn Clark; Cole & Camryn Frey, Emily & Collin LeVan and Sophia Soady.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers David Webb & Richard Webb III, husband Mark Bayert, children Linda Adler and Ken Soady, daughter-in-law Marsha Soady, and granddaughter Annika Fakas.

We would like to express a heartfelt thank you to her “Bloomington Angels” – friends and neighbors who stopped by to see her, brought her goodies or mowed the lawn. Also, to the Allina Health Hospice team; specifically, her nurse Karen; for giving Mom such beautiful care, love and comfort in her final weeks.

In lieu of flowers, and in honor of her love of giving back to the community, please consider donating to your favorite charity in her honor.

Tribute Wall



“ To Carol's Family, I know I'm a little late for condolences but I just wanted to drop you a line to tell you how Carol helped change my life. In 1982 I was 16 years old, loved to party. I got into a lot of trouble with the law and Carol became my probation officer.

At the time most people saw me as a long haired, stoner thief but Carol saw past that. I imagine she saw a troubled kid who had a crazy childhood and unless something happened would have a lifetime of prison visits. She believed in me. And that time not many people did. (not that I gave them reason to) Carol got me into Riverside Retreat and later in court she got the judge to make me ward of the court so I wouldn't have to go home again. She was instrumental in getting me into a foster home that was just lovely.

I always tell people that I got so lucky. All these people came together and changed my life. But it all started with Carol. And as I've gotten older throughout the years I wanted to thank her and let her know how grateful I was/am. But I thought her name was Carol Barrett. So I would look online trying to find her every couple years but never could. Then today, my foster mom sent me some docs that she found in a box. One of them was the court order and I saw the correct spelling of her name. I immediately googled her name so I could find her and finally thank her. But sadly I saw the obit instead.

But wanted you to know, those who loved her, how important she was to me. I have this amazing life today, and without her, it could have turned out much different.

Don Anderson

PS She brought me to her house once, in Rock Island and I got to eat a pear from her tree and to this day that pear was the sweetest I've ever had

Don Anderson - August 17, 2023 at 08:28 PM

CE

She saved a lot of souls... mine included! Missing her today!

Carla Engle - March 30, 2024 at 01:39 PM

CA

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Carla - August 20, 2021 at 09:08 PM

KA

“ To Carol's family: I was a pharmacist of Carol's. She was such a kind, funny, and sweet person. She gave me a big smile every time I saw her in the grocery store. She shared her husband's recipe for apple crisp with me and her secret for making it so good...lots of cinnamon and green apples! She even brought me some of hers a few times :) We really had a connection, and I will sincerely miss her and am so extremely sorry for your loss. She was a beautiful soul, and I will never forget her.

Kayla - May 06, 2021 at 12:48 AM

CE

“ Carol had such a zest for life. She would light up a room whenever she entered. Carol was a quick wit with a wonderful sense of humor. She could find the beauty and joy in the simplest things. Carol was charismatic with an incredible gift for people. I remember Carol saying she would “believe in me, until I could believe in myself” without Carol's encouragement, I wouldn't have got a college degree. I will miss our conversations, her guidance and wisdom. Carol gave me a plaque that read "Some people come into our lives and we are never ever the same". Flavia Carol didn't change the world, but she changed my whole world. There is no finer person than Carol Bayert.

Carla Engle - December 25, 2020 at 01:05 AM

ME

“ Carol was so full of life and was so a joy to be around and so kind and wonderful - I have so many great memories. Our thoughts and prayers go to all of Carols family and especially Eve, Keith, Bella & Claire as we grieve with you all in the passing of your mom/grandma/mother-in-law. We all love you - Mike, Melissa, Bailey & Ethan Upgren



Melissa - July 21, 2020 at 06:02 PM

MM

“ I will never forget Carols great sense of humor, quick wit, loving kindness and willingness to lend an ear.
Her friendship filled my soul.
I feel so blessed to have met and spent time with her and will miss her deeply.
Rest in peace Carol.
Xoxo
Miss Mary (Mermaid) Olson-Alaska

mary mermaid - July 18, 2020 at 05:35 PM

MF

“ Our collective soul lost our guiding light, but she taught us well before she left us. She taught us important lessons about social justice, seeking the good inside everyone, and acceptance of ourselves and others. She also taught us fun lessons like how to laugh, cook, play and create. But, most of all, she taught us how to live a life with the purpose of making this world better. Thank you, Grandma Bayert, my life lessons would have been incomplete without you. PS: I will be thinking of you November 3rd.

mary frey - July 17, 2020 at 08:03 PM

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mary frey - July 17, 2020 at 07:47 PM

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Eve Miller - July 17, 2020 at 01:03 PM

CE

Omg! I just found out and I feel like my heart has just been torn out of my chest! Carla

Carla Engle - December 15, 2020 at 09:46 PM