



Carol Jean Berg

June 25, 1932 - January 7, 2026

Berg, Carol Jean (Lau)

6/25/1932 - 01/07/2026

Carol Jean (Lau) Berg passed away peacefully on January 7, 2026, age 93 at Woodbury Senior Living, Woodbury, MN.

Carol was born to Gustav and Sophie (Boettcher) Lau, the youngest of 5 children on June 25, 1932. She grew up on a farm that borders Sand Lake, outside of Saint Croix Falls, WI. She told fond stories of walking across the frozen lake to school with her oldest sister Ruth as her teacher, or digging worms for her Grandma Lau to fish on the lake. As a young girl, she attended the Sand Lake school through 8th grade. Beginning at the age of 7, Carol along with her sisters Bernice and Ruth were part of a troupe of entertainers, singing at various fairs and events. Carol graduated from Saint Croix Falls High School in 1950 and was proud to cheer for the SCF High School football and basketball teams, even getting to cheer for them when they won the state basketball championship in Madison. After HS graduation, she took a secretarial course and worked for Minnesota Mutual Life in St Paul, MN where she met her husband, Ralph Berg. Carol was delighted to be a St Paul Winter Carnival's Snow Princess representing Minnesota Mutual in 1953. Ralph married the prettiest girl in the secretarial pool on June 27, 1954 and they lived most of their married life in White Bear Lake, MN. Carol was an avid bowler and ice skater. She and Ralph enjoyed camping on Big Island with the

whole Berg family and dancing at the Holiday House. As a couple, they entertained many at the annual Lion's Club show. Carol was an artist, creating many beautiful paintings and conducting painting classes.

Carol lived her final years in St Paul, and then Woodbury. She enjoyed visits from family and any activity offered to her at her care facilities. Everyone described Carol as kind and sweet with a ready smile for all those around her.

Carol is survived by her sons: Karl (Konnie) and Brooks (Linda). Grandchildren: Brianna (Josh) Hammer, Brendan Berg, and Kristin Berg (Jordan), Carter (Amanda) Berg, Andrew (Theresa) Berg. Great grandchildren: Addison and Cooper Hammer and Theodore Berg, and many nieces and nephews.

Carol is preceded in death by her parents, husband Ralph, sisters Ruth (Morris) Hjelle, Bernice (Bill) Beattie, brothers Elmer (Lorraine) Lau and Robert (Harriet) Lau.

Funeral will be held at Washburn McReavy Shoreview Chapel, 515 Hwy 96 West, Shoreview, MN 55126 on January 24, 2026 at 11:00am with visitation one hour prior to the service. Carol will be buried next to her beloved husband Ralph at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

The family would like to thank the staff at Dellwood Gardens Assisted Living and Woodbury Senior Living for their care and affection for Carol.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Celebration of Life

JAN 24. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Reception

JAN 24. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Graveside Service

JAN 26. 10:30 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery
7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Tribute Wall

JJ

“Joyce and James purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Carol Jean Berg.



Joyce and James - January 19 at 02:42 PM

LF

“Love to you all, The Bob Lau family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Carol Jean Berg.



Love to you all, The Bob Lau family - January 19 at 01:49 PM

FF

“From your Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Carol Jean Berg.



From your Family - January 15 at 07:10 PM

BK

“My thoughts and prayers to the Berg family. She was a beautiful person

Brent Knoll - January 14 at 03:19 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Carol Jean Berg.*



January 14 at 10:54 AM



“ *"You make me happy when skies are gray"....lyrics from one of the favorite songs, "You are My Sunshine" she sang with her dear sister, Bernice (Bea/Bernie!). Aunt Carol's beautiful smile, warm bear hugs, delicious lemon bars, her creative artistic flair, and her unwavering love of family were a constant in my childhood memories. Thank you Aunt Carol for making us all feel so loved and appreciated! "You'll never know dear how much I love you"*

Joy Goberville - January 11 at 03:17 PM



Condolences to Karl and Brooks and your extended families. I have fond memories of your Mom and her kindness from our childhood. Our parents created such fun for everyone at Forest Lake 60 years ago. With Sympathy. Lynn Kelly

Lynn Kelly - January 16 at 07:47 PM



Karl and Brooks, I also have many wonderful memories of your Mom, and fun times at your home in White Bear Lake. All our love, Mike and Lori Ah Tou

Mike Ah Tou - January 20 at 05:29 PM