



## Carol Helen Patterson

February 6, 2025

Carol Helen Patterson passed away at the age of 81 on February 6, 2025 in San Jose, CA after battling cancer and other medical complications. Born on November 11, 1943 to June Elizabeth Patterson and Dean Lamont Pugh in Portland, Oregon, she attended public schools in Oregon and California. Carol earned her MBA in Finance and Accounting and a PhD in Public Health Policy, both from UC - Berkeley.

Carol worked for a California based large health insurance company and later served as interim director for several public health services providers.

Carol lived in a number of places in the North Bay area of California with her long-time partner and wife, Margaret E. Van Camp, but had a special attachment to Truckee and Palm Desert.

Carol's interests included reading, cooking and travel. She enjoyed many outdoor activities, among them skiing, hiking and running. As a member of the Donner Party Mountain Runners for approximately 10 years, she served in many capacities. Carol completed a 55k in 2021 on the Tahoe Trail at the age of 77. She was a talented watercolor artist, painting outdoor scenes.

Carol is survived by her brothers-in-law, Rick Zeidler and Carl Zeidler and cousins. She was predeceased by her wife Margaret E. Van Camp, her parents, her sister-in-law Elizabeth Woll and Cousin Jimmy.

A memorial service for Carol will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 11:00 am at Dawn Valley Cemetery in Bloomington, MN with arrangements handled by Washburn-McRreavy.



# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Dawn Valley Chapel  
9940 Bush Lake Road  
Bloomington, MN 55438

# Tribute Wall

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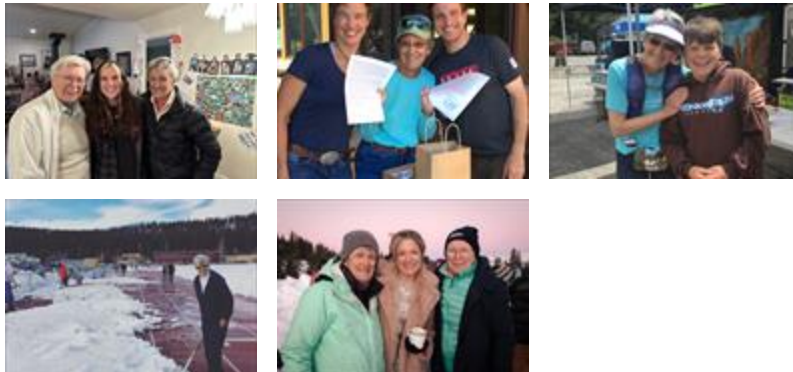
“ Carol and I met through the art community in Marin and continued our friendship with both Carol and Peg in Lake Tahoe where we spent time hiking and socializing. I will miss them forever. Tahoe isn't the same without them.



Judi Stess - April 02, 2025 at 11:15 AM

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jenelle potvin - April 02, 2025 at 09:52 AM

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“ Carol and Peg - we miss you. Thank you for being a part of our lives.



jenelle potvin - April 02, 2025 at 09:51 AM