



Carol Jean Schefers

February 7, 1947 - February 12, 2023

Carol Jean Schefers, 76, died on Feb. 12th, 2023 at her home in Maple Grove, MN, after a battle with ovarian cancer. Carol was born on Feb. 7th, 1947 in St. Paul, MN to Lloyd and Lorraine Hintzman. She grew up in West St. Paul, MN and Graduated from Sibley High School in 1965. She gained a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from St. Olaf College in 1969 and had a successful career in public health. Most notable was the 33 years she spent working in Wright County, where she rose to the rank of Public Health Nurse Director for Wright Country, MN. She received many notable awards, including a national award that she accepted in Washington D.C. for the National Partnership for Immunizations "Excellence in Immunizations" in December of 2002. In 2013 she received the Commissioner's Award for Distinguished Service in Community Health. She loved her job, was very innovative and always emphasized health promotion. She married Raitis Schefers on August 30th, 1969. They were married for 50 years until he passed away in 2019. They raised a son and a daughter and enjoyed spending time with their 2 grandchildren. In her spare time, she enjoyed singing in the church choirs, cooking, sewing and travel. She had a huge love of animals and loved her many pets, both cats and dogs. She was an amazing friend, colleague, mother and grandmother and will be greatly missed. She is survived by her son Erik (Molly) Schefers, daughter Lara Schefers and grandchildren Zack & Kyle Schefers.

A gathering to celebrate the life of Carol Schefers will be held on 2/27/23 from 5pm-8pm at the Club Room in Pittsburgh Blue Maple Grove 11900 Main Street, Maple Grove, MN, 55369.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday 2/28/23 at 2pm with visitation at 1pm at Lord of Life Lutheran Church 7401 County Rd. 101, Maple Grove, MN.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **28**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Lord of Life Lutheran Church (Maple Grove)
7401 County Road 101
Maple Grove, MN 55311

Church Service

FEB **28**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I worked at Wright County formany years with Carol. She was always enjoyable to interact with and was a reliable and capable director of Public Health. She is definitely missed.

Brian Asleson - February 28, 2023 at 08:14 AM

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“ Carol and I have been close friends since middle school. Our group would make pizzas in the basement kitchen of Carol's house and then have a sleepover. We have lost a very special person from our group, which will never be the same. Fortunately, we have very special memories that will never go away.
Cheryl Schmidt

Cheryl Schmidt - February 26, 2023 at 08:25 PM

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“ My cousin Carol along with her family and my family shared many joyous occasions over the years (weddings, baptisms, confirmations, graduations, birthday celebrations). We will miss her terribly. Bless you, Carol!!

Barbara Wedekind - February 26, 2023 at 12:31 PM

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“ Wright County Public Health purchased the Sere ne Retreat for the family of Carol Jean Schefers.



Wright County Public Health - February 24, 2023 at 02:04 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carol Jean Schefers.*



February 22, 2023 at 03:58 PM



“ *Carol and I were friends from about second grade until her death. We have a special shared memory of the six weeks we traveled in Europe together in 1968 on five dollars a day. We used Eu-rail passes to visit seven countries. Carol's mother rented a car for us in England. Carol took the wheel on the right side of the car and the left side of the road. What an adventure. Carol was great at reading the map and getting us where we wanted to go. She is missed but never forgotten. Michele (Murray) Wiederich*

michele wiederich - February 22, 2023 at 11:32 AM



“ *Carol and I were public health colleagues for many years in our leadership roles in local and state public health agencies. Carol brought such a diversity of leadership skills and wisdom to meeting discussions. Her quick smile, wit, and friendliness to all were so endearing. Carol has "made her mark" in the history of public health nursing in Minnesota through her mentoring of staff and colleagues and her leadership skills. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and worked with her. Pat Adams (Dakota County Public Health and Minnesota Department of Health)*

Pat Adams - February 21, 2023 at 08:56 PM