

Carol G Hoke
January 5, 1941 - October 15, 2018

A heart of gold stopped beating, two willing hands at rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Carol G. Hoke, 77, of Nichols, passed away on Oct. 15, 2018 following a period of declining health. Carol is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law: Timothy and Amy Hoke, George and Leslie Hoke; her cherished grandchildren Shaun and Emily Hoke, Brittany and Colin Mayner, Whitney and Taylor Saulsbury, Nathan Hoke; her beloved great-grandchildren: Jayce Saulsbury, Leighton A. and Stella Hoke, Isaac R. Mayner and Dallas C. Mayner. Also surviving are her brother Gene Grange (Shirley Allen), brother-inlaw, Donald E. Hoke and several nieces and nephews. Carol was predeceased by her parents George D. and Loretta C. (Judge) Granger, her sister Edna Babcock and on Sept 6 2017, her beloved husband of 56 years, Merlin 'Mert' Hoke.

Carol devoted her life to her family. Her selfless care of her family as well as so many others, her supportive and encouraging demeanor together with her endless patience and positive attitude will long be remembered. Her grandchildren remember with love and affection the twice daily cookie and 'coffee' breaks. Carol graduated from Owego Free Academy in 1959 and earned her associate degree in gerontology. Carol was a dedicated employee of the Tioga County Office of the Aging, a talented artist and enjoyed 'her' cardinals and flowers.

Abiding with her wishes, there will be no services at this time. Sutfin Funeral Chapel in Nichols, NY is assisting the family. Memories and condolences may be shared in her guestbook at sutfinfuneralchapel.com

Carol's family is very thankful to the staff of Mercy House for the loving care that was extended to both her and them. Those considering a donation in Carol's memory are asked to kindly consider a donation to Mercy House, 212 N McKinley Ave., Endicott, NY 13760.

Comments



My heartfelt sympathy for Carol's family and friends. I graduated with Carol from OFA, and we had great memories during those years. So grateful for the years the Lord gave her. Praying the Lord will comfort your hearts in a way only He can give.

Dawn (Rising) Hughes

Dawn Hughes - November 15, 2018 at 02:54 PM



My sincere sympathy to Carol's family & friends for your loss. I met Carol 21 yrs ago at a bereavement support group; she helped me greatly during a difficult time in my life. She was a very caring soul. And; very talented, too. I still have hanging a picture she painted for me, I will always treasure it.

JoAnn R. Walter

JoAnn R. Walter - November 01, 2018 at 09:13 PM



66 George, Leslie, Tim , Amy, Sean, Brittany, Whitney, Nate and families:

Please know, our hearts are broken for you and all of us who loved Aunt Carol. The love in your heart and the memories will be with each and every one of you always. Cherish that. None of us can be sad when we now know she is in no more pain and she is with the love of her life ..Uncle Jiggs. If there is anything we can do to help you through this difficult time, you know we will. We love you all.

Aunt Carol

"There will be none of that", I am sorry Aunt Carol, I tried! The tears that flow I know are selfish, It was only about 4 weeks ago that you told me as you were eating breakfast "I am ready to go with my Mert" You made it! Thank you for giving me 60 years of love and support, friendship, long talks, family history lessons unconditional love and for trying to teach me to paint as beautiful as you (which Never happened - your talent was God given and like no other I have seen - mine was pure want) but we had fun and you always, always told me mine was as good as yours because you were humble, sweet and kind. My memories will be with me always. They will be as cherished as life itself. Whenever I see a Cardinal, I will think of you. No matter what life handed you, you were happy and content. You never wanted more for yourself but wanted your children and grandchildren to always "be OK". They were always OK and will always be OK because they had you and your life long lessons and most importantly your unconditional love! These last few months we had some late night talks as well as early morning talks and lets be honest some middle of the night talks. I will cherish those forever. Godspeed Aunt Carol, I love you and miss

you.

Gina and Pat



Gina Currie - October 18, 2018 at 10:05 AM



I grew up down the road from Mert and Carol and had the chance to stop and visit occasionally on my walks with my dog over the years. She was always happy to see me, and if she was with someone, always introduced me as her neighbor. But, in the last 6 months I really had a chance to visit with Carol at Robert Packer as I transported her from one test or treatment to another, or just passed her in the hall. She still had that calm, cheerful demeanor, no matter if she was struggling for her next breath, or just waiting as you do a lot in the hospital. I remember the day I went to see her in her room on the fifth floor and she told me this was her last visit and she was going home under hospice care. She comforted me as tears rolled down my face, She was truly a great women with a warm heart and we will miss her. Rest in peace dear Neighbor.

Cynthia Moro - October 18, 2018 at 07:24 AM



It is with great sorrow that I write this.

My sincere condolences to the family as I know she will be dearly missed.

She was a strong, loving woman who's memory will live on with those who knew her.

May she rest in peace with the angels in heaven.

Laurie Battaglini - October 17, 2018 at 10:27 PM



Carol was the best of the best. She always had a sole and kind word to all she met. Praying for her dear family and loved ones!

Brenda Kuhlman - October 17, 2018 at 07:33 PM



66 CAROL WAS AND REMAINS MY BEST FRIEND. HER PATIENT ACCEPTANCE OF MY SHORT-COMINGS AND CONSISTENT SHOULDER TO LEAN ON WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. MY HEART FEELS SORROW AT OUR LOSS BUT JOY AT HER

RELEASE. IN LIFE SHE HAD ANGEL-LIKE QUALITIES. NOW SHE IS ONE.

ARLINE WESTBROOK HANSEN - October 20, 2018 at 09:29 AM