



Carol Dooley

December 11, 1944 - April 15, 2022

Carol Ann Dooley, age 77, of Carbondale, Illinois, went to be with her Lord on April 15, 2022 at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, MO, with her family close by.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Florence Gorecki, and her granddaughters, Wanda and Hazel Dooley.

Carol leaves behind her loving husband, Jim, her son, Ryan Dooley, and his wife, Tristin, of Campbell, CA, her daughter, Ellen Dooley, and her husband, Fernando Lemus, of Waynesville, MO, and her brother, Dave Gorecki, of Aurora, IL. She also will be missed by her canine friend, Brownie.

Born in St. Charles, IL, on December 11, 1944, Carol was a loving wife, mother, artist, poet, writer, and voracious reader. Carol married James (Jim) Dooley on September 16, 1972, in St. Charles, IL. They raised their children in West Dundee, IL and Chesterfield, MO, and chose to retire in Carbondale, IL in 2007. Upon moving to Carbondale, Carol immersed herself in her artistic and literary interests. She loved to travel, and, together with Jim, visited much of the country, many national parks and several international destinations. Heading to the coast for oysters, shrimp, and cold beer to soak in the first warm weather of the year almost became a spring ritual.

Carol's family will host a memorial visitation at Saint Francis Xavier Church,

303 South Poplar St., Carbondale, IL, 62901, on Friday, April 22, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. A memorial mass, conducted by Father Robert Flannery, will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to your charity of choice.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR **22**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

St Francis Xavier Catholic Church
303 S Poplar St
Carbondale, IL 62901-2709
(618) 457-4556

Memorial Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carol Dooley*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *We offer our heartfelt condolences to JIM and the whole Dooley Family. Know that our prayers are with you.
Dick and Carole Daesch*

Dick and Carole Daesch - April 20, 2022 at 07:01 PM



“ *We are so sorry to know of Carol's passing. We had the great pleasure to view her art work and to visit with her on an almost daily basis as she and Jim walked the family dog, Brownie, in the neighborhood. Our prayers are with Jim and the whole family.*

Dick and Carole Daesch - April 20, 2022 at 11:45 AM



Prayers and condolences to Carol's husband, Jim. Through her poetry, she shared memories and little slices of life with us. She will be missed!

Patty Pieczka

Patty Pieczka - April 23, 2022 at 09:32 AM

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“ Carol was a fine poet as well as an accomplished artist. A broadside of one of Carol's many published poems with ISPS Southern Chapter is currently in the 2022 Poetry Month exhibit at Carbondale Library. She was a longtime member of our group and will be missed as a poet and friend' ”



Kathy Cotton - April 19, 2022 at 12:28 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carol Dooley. ”



April 19, 2022 at 08:40 AM

VI

“ Remember taking a cheap multi country tour of Europe with her in 1968. She drew pictures of places we visited and we collected postcards. Had our first whole fish in Venice. Slept in odd hotels in Germany that still used featherbeds. Such fun! ”

Viv - April 18, 2022 at 09:17 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Carol Dooley. ”

April 18, 2022 at 07:14 PM