



Carolyn Ann Connell

September 29, 1952 - October 7, 2023

On October 7, 2023, Carolyn Ann Connell, 71, of Shelby Township, Michigan, passed away peacefully at home.

Carolyn was born on September 29, 1952 in Warren, MI, to Harold and Stella Schollard.

Patrick and Carolyn married in Detroit, Michigan in 1974, 49 years ago. They moved to Warren, Michigan in 1977, where they raised their children, Kimberly, Ruth and Jeffery. In 2004, they moved to their home in Shelby Township, in which they enjoyed many happy days entertaining family and friends. Gathering the family for birthdays and holidays was very important to her, where she could be creative in decorating and making delicious food.

Carolyn was primarily a homemaker who was talented at making custom cakes out of the home. In later years, she was a grocery merchandiser with her husband.

Over the years, Carolyn and her family enjoyed many camping trips in Michigan and throughout the United States while also traveling to the UK and Canada. She loved being up north in Michigan, but her favorite vacation spot was Key West, Florida, where she could enjoy sunshine and fresh seafood.

Singing was one of Carolyn's passions and she was very active in the church choirs at St. Martin DePorres Catholic Church, St. Blase Catholic Church, and

St. Lawrence Catholic Church. She enjoyed studying family genealogy for herself and others and volunteered her skills to research history and photographs for the Packard Proving Grounds in Utica, Michigan.

Carolyn's two grandchildren, Landon and Lillian, were her stars. She did so much to make life fun and special for them; they were together every week.

Carolyn was predeceased by her father Harold Schollard and her mother Stella Schollard.

She is survived by her loving husband Patrick Connell; dear children Kimberly Connell, Ruth Connell (Banas) and Jeffery Connell; as well as her cherished grandchildren Landon Banas and Lillian Banas; she is also survived by her sisters Patricia (Gary) Bilyk and Susan (Joseph) Ciaravino; she is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and nieces.

Donations in her memory may be made to her grandson's special needs school: Glen H. Peters School. Those who would like to make a donation may do so in any of the three following ways:

-Mail: Parents & Friends of Glen H. Peters School, 46650 Heydenreich Road, Macomb, Michigan 48044

*Please make all checks out to 'Parents & Friends of Glen H. Peters School'

-PayPal's Giving Fund: Parents & Friends of Glen H. Peters School, glenpeterspandf@gmail.com

-Zelle: Parents & Friends of Glen H. Peters School, glenpeterspandf@gmail.com

*Tax ID#: 38-3350424

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Rd
Clinton Township, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **10**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Evening Service

OCT **10**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Anointment of the deceased

Instate

OCT 11. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church
44633 Utica Rd
Utica, MI

Funeral Mass

OCT 11. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church
44633 Utica Rd
Utica, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Carolyn Ann Connell*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *Andrea J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ann Connell.*

Andrea J. - October 14, 2023 at 08:08 PM



“ *Carolyn was an esteemed member of Motor City Packards and Packard Proving Grounds. I knew from the first time we met Carolyn that she was a kind caring person. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.*

Richard & Mary Ann Throop - October 11, 2023 at 02:37 PM



“ *There are no words to describe the loss that we as a family feel at the sudden passing of my beloved niece Carolyn ... so vibrant, talented and loving to all who knew her and devoted to her family unconditionally. I have very happy memories as she was growing up with her cousins Krysia, Rick and Jancia. We mention those times quite often ...happy times never to be forgotten. She will be sadly missed by all 💔🙏😭❤️ May she R?I.P Auntie Helen, Krysia, Norm and Family, Rick and Isabelle, Jancia , Wes and family. ...always in our hearts❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️*

Helen Jablonski - October 10, 2023 at 09:14 PM

DS

“ I am so sorry to hear about your sudden lose. I remember many times talking to her and will miss seeing her smile while working on stuff at the Grounds. Everyone will miss her smile and personality.

Dante F Sabatino - October 10, 2023 at 12:57 PM

FF

“ Foley Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



Foley Family - October 10, 2023 at 10:44 AM

JM

“ Pat and Family:
We were so very sorry to learn of Carolyn's sudden passing. We have enjoyed many events with the two of you and your family over the years in Motor City Packards and the Packard Proving Grounds Historic Site. We sat with the two of you at the annual Volunteer Dinner a short time ago.
Everyone will miss Carolyn's smile and her dedication to whatever task she was doing.

John and Gail MacArthur - October 10, 2023 at 09:54 AM

CK

“ Dear Pat and Family,
I am so sorry to hear of the unexpected passing of Carolyn. She will be truly missed in choir and her positive thoughts and wisdom made a huge difference in my life. Her voice will live on with the choir angels in heaven and her memory will live on in my heart. May your family memories bring you all comfort and please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you through this difficult time.

Caterina Krencicki - October 10, 2023 at 09:54 AM

DJ

“ My condolences to the Connel family. I remember her when she sang in St Martin de Porres choir. A beautiful voice. I. Will remember in my prayers. Dcn. Marion Jurewicz.

Dcn. Marion Jurewicz - October 09, 2023 at 09:35 PM

JK

“ After almost 50 years of singing and enjoying Carolyn and Pat as our cherished close friends we have lost a wonderful, fun loving special friend that can never be replaced. We will always remember the great trips and special moments in whatever we were doing together. Carolyn will be in our prayers along with you Pat and your family. God Bless you going forward and know we will stand tall with you in the future.

John & Christine Kavalick

John & Chris Kavalick - October 09, 2023 at 08:54 PM

JD

“ *Condolences to the Connell family. Carolyn was very much a trusted friend to my mom and dad jack and Karen dalzotto. She was such a gem to be around, both her and pat. Many a memories from over the years. Always loved your company.*

jeff dalzotto - October 09, 2023 at 08:07 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.*



October 09, 2023 at 03:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.*



October 09, 2023 at 12:48 PM

MC

“ *Mrs, Joe & Jim Ciaravino purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.*



Mrs, Joe & Jim Ciaravino - October 09, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.*



October 09, 2023 at 09:24 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of the unexpected passing of Carolyn. Carolyn was always very friendly and sociable. May God send His angels to wrap their arms around you and comfort you.*
Sue Formanczyk Florek

Sue Florek - October 09, 2023 at 04:57 AM



“ *I first met Carolyn 50 years ago when my brother Pat introduced her to our family. I remember how excited and happy he was that they became engaged. Through the years they demonstrated a strong partnership, always together and enjoying life. Family was especially important to them as was their church choir and Packard family. Carolyn loved to bake, cook and gather her family for special events. She was a role model for being the most wonderful grandmother. She was loved and will certainly be missed.*

Susan O'Connell - October 08, 2023 at 11:09 PM

RL

“ Dear Pat,

Joan and I were shocked to learn of Carolyn’s sudden passing. I cannot imagine the loss you are feeling at this time.

You two have contributed so much time and effort to the Packard Proving Grounds image digitization project. Whenever I visited the site Carolyn would grab me by the arm to show me her latest find on researching either the ancestry of a Packard executive or an historical artifact.

Joan remembers that Carolyn was always smiling and wearing a “sparkling” fashion item to match her personality.

We will miss her and keep all the Connell family members in our prayers.

Roger and Joan Luksik

Roger M Luksik - October 08, 2023 at 08:30 PM

SL

“ Steve & June Litz, Marc Boytim & Lori L. purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



Steve & June Litz, Marc Boytim & Lori L. - October 08, 2023 at 08:02 PM

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“ Steve & June Litz, Marc Boytim & Lori L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ann Connell.

Steve & June Litz, Marc Boytim & Lori L. - October 08, 2023 at 08:02 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



October 08, 2023 at 06:17 PM



“ Beautiful inside and out!



Clara Olinger - October 08, 2023 at 05:18 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



October 08, 2023 at 02:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



October 08, 2023 at 01:39 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



October 07, 2023 at 10:05 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket* was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Connell.



October 07, 2023 at 05:43 PM