



## Carolyn Hawkes

March 12, 1929 - August 18, 2020

Carolyn M. Hawkes

Carolyn Hawkes, 91, of Hamilton, NJ passed away on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

Born in Trenton, NJ, Carolyn was a lifelong Hamilton resident. She attended Blessed Sacrament Grammar School, graduated from Cathedral High School in 1946 and received a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Trenton State College (now TCNJ) in 1971. She was an elementary school teacher at St. Ann's Catholic Grammar School in Lawrenceville, NJ for nine years and then was employed by the NJ State Department of Human Services as an administrative analyst, until her retirement in 1999.

Carolyn was predeceased by her husband, William, her parents, James and Caroline (Hannawacker) Yeager, her sister Catherine Meier and her brothers James and Robert Yeager. She is survived by her daughter Carol Hawkes of Hamilton, a daughter and son-in-law, Maryann and Mark Allegretti of Matthews, NC, two sons and daughters-in-law Bill Hawkes and Celia Seward of Haddon Twp, and Robert Hawkes and Carol Jones of Hillsborough, and her two grandchildren Evan Hawkes of Arlington, Va and Catherine Hawkes, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD.

Carolyn was an active member of Our Lady of Sorrows-St. Anthony Parish, where she served as a Eucharistic Minister, Past President of the Altar Rosary Society, a CCD teacher, pastoral care volunteer at Hamilton Grove and a founding coordinator of the OLS DOLS (Daughters of Our Lady of Sorrows). She was an active member of her community and served as Treasurer and Trip Coordinator of the Hamilton Leisure People, Past President of the Hamilton Elks 2262 Ladies Auxiliary and member of the Mercerville Serra Club, the Hamilton Township Juvenile Conference Committee, Cultural Committee and Domestic Violence Response Team.

A memorial visitation will be Wednesday, September 9, 2020 from 9:00 - 10:30 am at the Murphy Funeral Home, 1863 Hamilton Ave., Hamilton, NJ 08619. A Mass of Christian

Burial will follow at 11:00 am at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, East State St., Hamilton, NJ, Interment at St. Mary Cemetery, Hamilton, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Carolyn's memory to Our Lady of Sorrows-St. Anthony's Parish, 3816 East State St. Ext., Hamilton, NJ 08619 or the charity of one's choice.

# Events

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**SEP** **Mass** 11:00AM - 05:13PM

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Our Lady of Sorrows

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# Comments

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“ I have lived next to Carolyn for my entire life and I have so many fond memories. From her watching my sister and I when we were in elementary school, to her expertise gardening skills. I will never ever forget those amazing grilled cheeses she made us! Somehow I have never made one that compared. She was always so energetic and independent no matter what life brought and I will forever remember and admire her tenacity. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family, she will be greatly missed.

**Anna Cook** - September 12, 2020 at 10:04 AM

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“ I have known Carolyn pretty much my entire life. I grew up next door to Carolyn and looked up to her almost as a second grandmother. I remember when I was a kid she would pick my sister and I up from school, and spoiled us with our favorite after school snack grilled cheese and lollipops! We loved spending time at her house so much we wouldn't want to leave. I'll also never forget every holiday season awaiting Carolyn's famous (at least in our home) Christmas cookies!! For years I have been saying "I want to be like my neighbor when I grow older" because I've always admired so much Carolyn's spirit and energy even in her last days. I'll be missing seeing Carolyn when I go to my parents house, and sent my thoughts and prayers to her family.

**sarah cook** - September 10, 2020 at 04:09 PM

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“ I was so saddened to hear of your Mom's passing. My deepest sympathy to you Carol and the entire family. In the many years I knew her, as a neighbor and a friend, she was a consistently sweet, kind and generous soul. Whenever she spoke to you her inner beauty radiated. She always had the right words to encourage and support you. I will always remember your visit to my home in Delaware and our trip to Annapolis. It was such a great visit and a good time was had by all. She was genuinely happy for me and my new life. The adjectives used here in everyone's comments are not just kind words, they are a sincere true description of the person she was. You were all truly blessed to have her and to be part of her legacy... may she rest in peace.

With sincere sympathy,  
Gloria Gross

**Gloria Gross** - September 10, 2020 at 03:01 PM

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“ My family and I will miss Carolyn terribly! We have lived next to Carolyn for 23 years and have so many fond memories, from swapping gardening secrets to getting each others mail. From all the cucumbers she would supply us with to the beautiful flowers I see outside my windows.

But most importantly, I will always be grateful for the support she gave me while I tried to juggle a young family and college course work. Carolyn has always been a source of inspiration, a role model and supporter of women in education. Her generosity will never be forgotten.

And who could forget the Christmas cookies. I would try to hide them until Christmas Day and someone would always find them in advance saying "I knew I saw Carolyn come across the driveway with those cookies"!

So many more fond memories...

The Cook Family

**Dawn Cook** - September 08, 2020 at 06:05 PM

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“ Caroline,

Mike and I were sorry to hear about you mother's recent death. We think about you often and hope you are doing well. It was enjoyable meeting with your mother and father for breakfast after church at the former Hurry back Inn. It is times like these which will provide peace and comfort to all of us. You and your family will always be remembered in our prayers.

Mike and Janet Buckley-Fekete

**M & J Fekete** - September 06, 2020 at 09:47 AM

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“ Mrs. Hawkes was our neighbor and friend during my childhood. She was a such a kind and generous neighbor and friend to both my parents- especially to my father after my mother's death when he was still living alone in our home. She was also kind and considerate enough to attend my father's viewing when he passed over 4 years ago. What a nice lady. Cherish your memories of her kindness a compassion.  
- Tim Masick

**Tim Masick** - August 30, 2020 at 10:50 AM

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“ I am sorry to hear of Carolyn's passing. I was pleased to work with Carolyn with the Cathedral Alumni Association. She was truly a very special individual. So caring and giving. I was also lucky enough to know her daughter, Carol, through Professional Secretaries Association. Sympathy to her cousin, Betty Adamczyk. Another truly beautiful woman.

**Patricia Walter** - August 26, 2020 at 07:21 PM

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“ Carolyn, my Mom Eileen Schulz, Annette Buckley and Rita Larkin were the “girls“ in the “Friday Night Club“! They met on Fridays for pizza and whatever and had so much fun and friendship. Carolyn was a great friend to them all as they were to her. We were blessed to know her.

**Eileen Schulz Prior** - August 25, 2020 at 01:33 PM

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“ Carol,

So sad to hear of your Mom's passing. Though I didn't know her personally, I feel I know something of her through you. My condolences to you and your family at this difficult time. Hold onto the love and good memories you all share.

Ken Blackwell

**Ken Blackwell** - August 24, 2020 at 05:18 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carolyn Hawkes.



August 23, 2020 at 02:16 PM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Hawkes.



August 22, 2020 at 04:25 PM