



Carol Lynn Kefalas

December 19, 1942 - August 27, 2020

Carol Lynn Kefalas was born December 19th, 1942 in West Palm Beach, Florida. She attended Iowa City High School, graduated with Bachelor in Art and a Master's in German from the University of Iowa. She received her PhD in Comparative Literature from the University of Georgia.

She was nicknamed "Roadrunner" from the traveling that she did over her lifetime. She spent her early adult life traveling through Europe and studied at the University of Hamburg while working for American Express in Germany.

Her professional career in Georgia included teaching German and assistant editor of the New Arts Review magazine. Later in her career she was hired as the Public Relations Director at Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania, Executive Director of Public Relations at Antioch College in Ohio, Assistant VP for Relations at James Madison University in Virginia, and retired after serving as Executive Advisor to the Chancellor at the Community College of Baltimore.

Throughout the years roadrunner was always rooted in a restless heart and traveled through much of South America, Europe, and parts of Asia. She adored music and the arts, nature, bird watching, ice skating and cello as a young woman and treating every person with respect.

Carol was preceded in death by mother Margaret Alton-Herr, brother David Alton, and father Everett Alton, ex-husband Asterios Kefalas and husband Robert Schuett. She leaves grandchildren Jaiden and Alexander, nephew Todd Alton, and son Paris and daughter in law Carrie Kefalas and a tight-knit group of friends all over the world.

May your journeys and adventures continue on for eternity, Carol.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel, Murrells Inlet, is serving the family.

The family is requesting no flowers.

Tribute Wall

SL

“ I remember meeting Carol at UGA. She was a striking individual and we became friends. Every Friday we would meet at T.K. Hardee's and spent the evening at the outdoor bar meeting many other friends. I remember well visiting them I Greece for Paris' baptism. All are fond memories. We shared many classes together and she was always lovely and very smart. A few years ago we connected via Facebook and had planned to meet next time I passed through SC. Unfortunately, it never came to pass. To Carol's family, I'm sorry I found out so late about her passing but I will always remember her and have her in my thoughts.

silvia leon - December 18, 2020 at 12:07 PM

VL

“ Carol was a special friend. We played music and sang together. I am saddened by her death. Goodbye Carol. Missing you...

victor Landweber - November 23, 2020 at 01:21 PM

BT

She might have traveled a lot but she didn't bother to see her father for 20years or so

Biff tannon - January 15, 2023 at 05:31 AM

CA

“ Carol and I were friends from an early age. We belonged to Zion Lutheran church where we sang in the choir and belonged to Luther league. In high school our friend Kristi and I shared Carol's cello locker in the music department. We had lately gotten back together through Facebook. My son had posted a picture of Carol and I playing on the piano at the church. We were good friends in our youth having spent lots of sleep overs at her home. Knew her whole family at that time. I am saddened to hear of her death and hope you find solace in knowing that many will miss her

connie rogers maske archer - September 02, 2020 at 12:31 AM

PB

“ Carol was a classmate from high school These late years we connected as we lost our spouses. She was incredibly intelligent and well rounded. Carol will be missed and I am so saddened for her son and the children. Peace to all. Priscilla Blecha

priscilla Blecha - September 01, 2020 at 09:26 PM

JN

“ To a young and eager-to-please employee at CCBC, Carol was a true role model. She was always professional, always approachable and always kind. It's been a long time but I remember her fondly. My heart goes out to her family during this difficult time.

Jodi Meitl Neal - September 01, 2020 at 08:48 PM

AS

“ *What I loved most about her was her love for Paris, Carrie, Jaden and Alexi. I loved listening to her talk with them on the phone, and they would all always kiss each other before hanging up. They meant the world to her, and I know she loved visiting with them recently. Her heart was full. She knew she was loved and she loved others so easily. I'm sure she's in heaven with her lipstick on and eye makeup. Rest in peace, beautiful friend.*

Allison Sperber - September 01, 2020 at 05:56 PM

BC

“ *Carol was so lovely and will remain in our hearts. Such a lovely friend.
Our love and best wishes and condolences, Beth & Bob Cooperman.*

Beth and Bob Cooperman - September 01, 2020 at 04:43 PM

SR

“ *We r so saddened by the loss of Carol. She loved Paris and his family greatly. She will carry that love into the beyond. May you find comfort in that fact. She treated the Roche family with joy and respect. We will always be grateful to her. Love and comfort to Carrie ,Paris, Jaiden ,and Alex.*

Suse Roche - September 01, 2020 at 02:46 PM

ES

“ *I am so shocked and saddened to see the news of Carol's death. I have known very few people who loved life as much as she did. She was an excellent boss to me, for too short a time, and now too short a time as a friend. I hope she and Bob are joyfully reunited. Sending much love, and peace to Paris and the family. Elaine Smith*

Elaine Smith - September 01, 2020 at 12:58 PM

RM

“ I am so sorry to learn about Carol's death. In the 1980s, we both attended a professional conference in New Orleans. We had such a great time together. I stayed in touch with her as her career advanced. I know she adored her son and his family. Will pray for y'all. I am really sorry. She was an outstanding person.

Rebecca McCarthy - September 01, 2020 at 12:36 PM

SY

“ So so sorry to hear about Carol's passing, she was one classy gal that will be missed by all

sandy yoder - September 01, 2020 at 12:34 PM

VL

“ Carol
And I sang together. She was a special friend, now sorely missed.

Victor Landweber - September 01, 2020 at 12:26 PM

BK

“ So sorry to her of Carols passing. She and I dueted, me trombone and she piano, as seniors at City High. She was a good friend from Junior High through college. Her dad was one of my professors at U of Iowa and a good counselor for me. She will be missed.

Bruce Kaiser - September 01, 2020 at 12:12 PM

BG

“Decades ago, Carol was my boss's boss. I had made what I thought at the time to be a magnificently large factual mistake in a piece of writing. I went directly to her to admit my error, telling her in case the blow-back from it would negatively impact her. She thanked me and then looked directly at me and said, "Where does this supposed mistake of yours fall on the continuum between a bicycle wreck and the end of modern civilization?" That left me speechless. She smiled and told me to get back to work, and to keep up doing things well. Godspeed, friend. You will always be remembered.

Bill Gentry - September 01, 2020 at 12:03 PM

BB

“I am so very sorry to hear of Carols passing. We worked together at the community college of Baltimore county where she was a bright shining light showing her concern that the students we served got the best education possible.
We have stayed in touch since then. Carol will be missed and was loved by those whose lives she touched.
I am so very sorry.
Bruce Berman

bruce Berman - September 01, 2020 at 11:48 AM

BC

“ My Dear Carol, from the moment we met, we understood each other. I believe we bonded over our love of Greece, Europe and food. We had so much fun recanting our vacation experiences in Greece, Europe, the sea and the food. I loved hearing your stories of Iowa and Samoset. I have put them on my bucket list. You are an amazingly gifted, smart woman, full of love for your family. I never tired of hearing your stories of your Mother; I'm sure you are just like her. I will miss you terribly, Carol, your kindness, your understanding, your sense of humor. I will always remember you. I love you.

Barbara Chaney - August 31, 2020 at 11:16 PM

RH

Love you forever, my dearest friend.
You left footprints on my heart that will be there forever.
I loved the stories of your mom, your career and your travels.
You were a lady full of love and respect for all.
You greatly loved your family and they knew it.
We adopted each other as sisters and called each other "Sis".
Our days spent together went by in minutes.
You had such a profound effect on my life.

Roxanne Hobbs - September 10, 2020 at 06:17 PM

YA

All these tributes reflect the many ways in which Carol made this world a better place. I, too, am a high school classmate, and have great memories of being in a group that included Carol and me. I was so thrilled to be reconnected with her through a class reunion and become friends in a deeper way as we connected after the death of her husband. I know she dearly loved and was dearly loved by her family. I am thinking of you and hope you will be comforted by the memories of this amazing woman.

Yvonne Addis - November 23, 2020 at 01:39 PM