



Carol Ann Snyder

December 18, 1936 - August 2, 2011

CAROL ANN SNYDER

Carol Snyder passed peacefully, surrounded by her loving family in her Tequesta home, on August 2 at the age of 74. She had been stricken with a rare lung disease in the fulness of a happy, vibrant life. A memorial service will be held at 4 pm Sunday, August 7 at the First Presbyterian Church of Tequesta.

She was born Carol Ann Woodruff Snead December 18, 1936 in Evanston, IL to Thornton and Julia Snead. After graduating from Evanston Township High School in 1954, she attended the University of Wisconsin/Madison and earned her B.S. degree from the National College of Education in 1958.

After a brief career as a grade school teacher, she married David Owens and they raised four children in Palo Alto, CA and Lake Forest, IL. Following his death she proved her resiliency by serving as a local news reporter and dietary counselor. She went to clown school and became known as "Scribbles" at local events. In 1993 she moved to Scottsdale, AZ and became a travel agent. In 2008 Carol moved to Tequesta to marry author-historian Jim Snyder, who had been a "first love" back in their home town of Evanston, IL. Carol spread sunshine and goodwill wherever she went. She inspired many through her active roles in the Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest, IL, the Unity Church of Phoenix, AZ and, most recently, the First Presbyterian Church of Tequesta. In Tequesta she quickly became active as a Deacon, choir

member and editor of the church newsletter.

Her surviving family are: son David L. Owens and wife Patricia M. of Lake Barrington Shores, IL., son Jeffrey T. Owens of Minneapolis, MN; and son Michael W. Owens of Phoenix, AZ and his daughter Aurora; daughter Jennifer O'Brien of Laguna Niguel, CA, her husband Scott and sons Scott, Jr., Nicholas and Jack. Carol's two sisters are Mary Mayer and Susan Clardy, both of Portland, OR.

Carol, Mom, Grandma, lived a spiritual life guided by her heart along the sweet and simple path of "light, love and laughter."

In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that donations be made to one of the following:

First Presbyterian Church of Tequesta – Music Memorial Fund, 482 Tequesta Drive, Tequesta, FL 33469, 561-746-5161; or Unity of Phoenix, 1500 East Greenway Parkway, Phoenix, AZ 85022, Attn: Carol Snyder Memorial Fund. For directions & online condolences, please visit www.taylorandmodeen.com.

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home
Family Owned & Operated
561-744-2030

Tribute Wall



“ Carol Ann Snyder

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ Oh my dear Carol,

I miss you even more now than before. I am so upset at myself! I will not forget myself for a long time. I know you are at peace, please send me some right now that I find out you have passed.... You sent me a beautiful letter X'mas of 2008. We were going thru a difficult time as our younger daughter had just found out she had breast cancer. I quit my job as we didn't know what it would entail as far as time, as she lived in Santa Monica. After several surgeries & a couple of years, She is clean and doing quite well. I put away you dear & happy letter so well that I couldn't find it until a few days ago...I called you, your phone disconnected, I sent you an email, it came back! I started to worry! I looked you up in Jupiter, Fl. and the first thing that came up was 'your obituary'...I completely lost it!.... You are gone and I didn't get a chance to talk to you and tell you how much I cherished you as a friend...Best of all, I was most happy with your great news of your first love interest, Jim... You 2 were so very lucky to find each other...What an event! Sure wish I had seen you 2 together at least once. I hope to God you did not suffer as you were one of the finest & dear persons I have met in AZ....I treasured our times together, especially when you got me all exited to go 'Sky Diving' with you...I will remember you always...Behave up there (hee). Send me a sign that you have read this note to make me feel better...teehee...(but I will look for it!) It may be silly of me but I am a 'hopeless' romantic about life and knowing you are in Heaven, I know you will see my note... I will think of you always, special lady! Love you dearly...Carmela

Carmela Elizondo - Phoenix,, AZ - friend from Phoenix, AZ - June 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dearest Mother Oh How Aurora and I Miss You Soooo. The pain from not being able to see you is unbearable and yet WE ARE of KNOWing that you're "playin on that other planet" , as you used to say, and we know, God by your side, you are at Peace. I still cannot even fathom that you are gone, nor what just happened that lead to it. We Love you unconditionally Momma and we know you have gone for good reason, and that you are now even More truly part of God's Choir. You have given me the tools I need to be in this World, but not of it; though I haven't been able yet to get a grip on fully using them, I am chipping away at the stone and I will get there when I get there and Aurora's doing magnificently Thanks to your Tender Loving Care and the guidance and patient nurturing you taught us about through your actions. You are the most wonderful person we have known or ever will know and you are the gentle in our strength and the strength in our gentleness. You're the cup half full and the heart of gold who gave me birth into this World and Aurora the opportunity to be born(which We Thank God every day that she had the courage to take advantage of -) for that and endless things WE THANK YOU AND MOMMA I HOPE ITS OK TO SAY

WE MISS YOU SOOOOOOO MUCH AND WE'RE SOOOO
THANKFUL YOU ARE OUR MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER...
PLEASE LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED, BE AT PEACE
MOMMA, BE AT PEACE....

Your Son And Granddaughter,
Michael and Aurora Owens

Michael Row The Boat Ashore Woodruff Owens - Scottsdale, AZ - Son - August
02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ I am an old friend of Michael's and lost touch with him years ago. I always felt Carol was a very special woman and she is the reason I found out about Unity Church. It was a pleasure to have known her. My thoughts are with Michael and the rest of his family.

Kim Vrooman - Belleville, IL - January 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear Jim , Skip and I are so sorry for your loss. I know that you didn't have enough time together,. I also know that you will treasure the time that you had. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Skip and Rosalyn Gladwin

Skip and Rosalyn Gladwin - Jupiter, FL - August 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Love and yellow roses forever. Mary

Mary S. Mayer - Portland, OR - Sister - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM