



Carolyn Jean Earling

August 2, 1943 - April 25, 2021

Age 77, of Custer Park, IL passed away Sunday, April 25, 2021 surrounded by her family at Amita Health St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet, IL. Born August 2, 1943 in Carbon Hill, IL to the late James and Catherine Scerini. Carolyn formerly worked for Super Value in the deli department, was a bus aide for Reed Custer, and she also was a CNA for Embassy Nursing Home. She was a member of the Moose Lodge #241 in Wilmington with her late husband John. Carolyn enjoyed her time serving with the Fire Ette's at the Custer Park Volunteer Fire Department. She had many hobbies that ranged from fishing, playing euchre, and planting flowers. She had a deep love for animals, especially her dogs, but what she loved most was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Surviving are three children, John D. (Maureen Marek) Earling of Tinley Park, IL, Debbie Burke of Tinley Park, and Donna Shorkey of Sandwich, IL; thirteen grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Bill and Alice Earling of Morris, IL, Joanne and Ron Rugeberg of Davenport, IA, Steve and Bonnie Earling of Bradley, IL, and Diane Earling of Braidwood; numerous nieces, nephews, and their families; and her cherished dogs, Pontoon and Custer, and her cat, Mini. Preceding her in death were parents; husband John E. Earling (11-29-12), whom she married August 5, 1961 in Coal City; and many siblings. Visitation for Carolyn will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home and Crematory, Thursday, April 29, 2021 from 4-8 p.m. All attendees will be required to wear face masks and follow social

distancing protocols. Cremation rites will be accorded following visitation. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name may be directed to the Moose Heart of the Community Program or to a local humane society of your choice. For more information and to visit her online guestbook, please log on to www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or find us on Facebook.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Kimberly Earling lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Earling

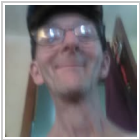


Kimberly Earling - June 05, 2025 at 08:13 AM

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“ Worked with Carolyn at Super Valu, she was such a hard dedicated worker. She talked about her family often. She will be missed. Prayers for her family.

Carol Buente - August 15, 2021 at 09:42 AM



“ donna,debby and john jr please get ahold of me18155304281!my mom passed also!

just want to keep in touch!

Gerald Scerini Jr. - June 25, 2021 at 10:50 PM

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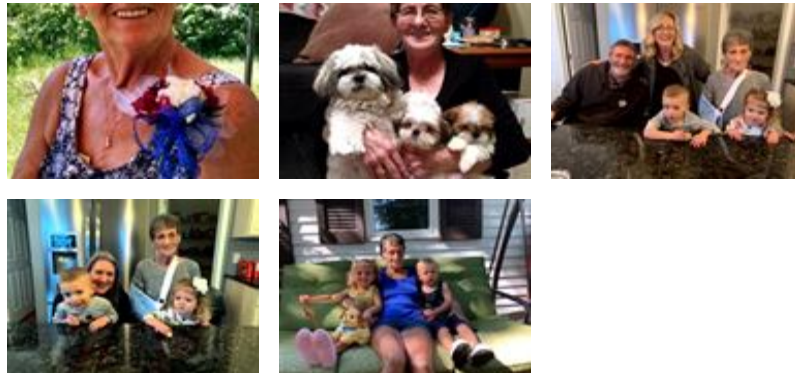
“ Tina McCorkle lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Jean Earling



Tina McCorkle - April 29, 2021 at 01:28 PM



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - April 28, 2021 at 01:06 PM

JM

“ *Deepest sympathy to you and your family! I never got to meet your sweet mother, but love the recent pic of her shopping for flowers with the huge cart! May she rest in peace!*

Julie McDade - April 27, 2021 at 07:24 AM

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“ *Julie McDade sent a virtual gift in memory of Carolyn Jean Earling*



Julie McDade - April 27, 2021 at 07:22 AM