



Carolyn Ruth Rutherford

July 8, 1941 - December 13, 2015

Carolyn Ruth Rutherford, age 74, of Colorado Springs, CO, went to be with her Lord and Savior on December 13, 2015, surrounded by her family. She was born in Long Beach, CA on July 8th, 1941 to Paul Ruby and Aldine Catherine Bauman. In 1946 she moved with her family to Winona Lake, IN., where she would eventually graduate from Grace College. She then earned a Masters in Elementary Education from Indiana University. After school, she joined the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ, who sent her to The Ohio State University to minister to students there. While there, she met Arch Rutherford, and the two of them were married on June 10th, 1967. Their wedding began a 48 year adventure for the two of them, including hiking for their honeymoon, motorcycling all over the country, traveling the world together and serving the Lord through all the ministries that He entrusted to them. After they were wed, Arch began seminary and Carolyn taught for four years in the Dallas Public School System. After their time in Dallas, Carolyn took great joy in sharing in each of Arch's ministries. They served the Lord at the Chapel in Akron, OH, the Union Missionary Baptist Church in Chesapeake, OH, Grace Baptist Church in Bozeman, MT, Coast Bible Church in San Juan Capistrano, CA, and most recently at BEE World in Colorado Springs. Carolyn had a true servant's heart, picking up any ministry in the church that no one else wanted to do. She had the remarkable trait of genuinely being interested in people and caring for other's needs. While in Bozeman, Carolyn and Arch were blessed with adopting two children, and Carolyn loved her kiddos. Carolyn

had many interests and hobbies, but above all, her defining interest was her love for God, her desire to spend time in His word, and her dedication in growing each day to be more like our Savior, Jesus Christ. Carolyn is survived by her loving husband of 48 years, Arch Rutherford; daughter, Amy (Kevin) Reed; son, Craig (Erika) Rutherford; granddaughters, Marley, Kaylyn, Julia, and Charlotte; as well as extended family and many friends. Carolyn loved her family and was extremely proud of her children and grandchildren. She was a true woman of God who touched many with His love. She will be missed beyond measure by her family and many others. Her family will receive friends from 4:00-7:00PM on FRIDAY at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, WORTHINGTON CHAPEL, 515 High St, Worthington, OH 43085, (614)-885-4006 where the Funeral Service will be held at 1:00PM on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2015, with Pastor Jim Custer officiating. Private family burial will be held at Union Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Carolyn's family would appreciate donations to BEE World <http://www.beeworld.org/#/donate>. Condolences to the family may be left at www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

3349 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, OH 43202
(614) 267-5471

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

DEC 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CR

“ Carolyn was a good woman I was only 4 when she died yet as her granddaughter she was the best I wish I could have made more memories with her but it's good to think she is with the lord up in heaven

Charlotte Reed - May 20, 2025 at 02:18 PM



“ Carolyn Ruth Rutherford

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

DP

“ Arch, on behalf of Bonnie, myself, and all your brothers and sisters in Christ at Grace Bible Church I want to extend to you our love and sympathy. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May God give you comfort, strength, and peace through His grace. We love you, brother!

Donnie Preslar
Grace Bible Church

Donnie Preslar - December 18, 2015 at 04:40 PM

ME

“ Carolyn was a godly and gracious woman. I first met her at the Chapel and at Camp Carl. Wonderful memories. Our prayers to the family, love you Arch!

Mike and Natalie Eddy

Mike Eddy - December 18, 2015 at 01:27 PM

JR

“ 5 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Jim Rosser - December 18, 2015 at 09:04 AM

JR

Carolyn was a lovely gracious woman whom I had the privilege of working with the summer of 1964 at Word of Life Island in Schroon Lake, NY. I meet her parents at LeTourneau College from where I graduated in 1964. One memory that summer as a counselor in the college and career program was a day off where we went together to see the black bears at the village dump and then had dinner together with the other staff directed by Ron and Libby Blue. Blessings to the family. Jim Rosser, Mansfield, OHIO

Jim Rosser - December 18, 2015 at 09:24 AM

JD

“ Arch..SO SORRY to hear of Carolyn's passing! What a great life you shared with her! Please accept our condolences and know we are praying for you and your family during this difficult time!

Karen & Jim Davidson

Jim Davidson - December 16, 2015 at 04:43 PM

AP

“ I'm so grateful to have met Carolyn and known her through our time at the Grace Conference. We shared some laughs and stories and what God was doing in our lives. The last hand written letter I received was from Carolyn! She took the time to encourage me and share about whatever adventure she and Arch were Looking forward to next.

Fervently praying for Arch and all the family.

Amy Paige

Amy Paige - December 16, 2015 at 09:11 AM

LN

“ Arch, Mary and I are praying for you and family over this great and sudden loss. God is faithful. Carolyn's reward is His presence.

Larry nees - December 15, 2015 at 05:26 PM

PC

“ Dear Pastor Arch,

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints. - Sam 1156:15

Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family. May her testimony continue to glorify our God even after she has gone home to be with our creator.

From Pastor Fernando Cinco and the family of The Church on The Solid Rock

Pastor Fernando Cinco - December 15, 2015 at 05:15 PM

JY

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Jean Harper Yackenovich and Ed Yackenovich

Jean Yackenovich - December 15, 2015 at 04:05 PM

PB

“ What a testimony of a life given over to God's Kingdom work! I did not know Carolyn but I am her granddaughter Julia's teacher. Julia loves Jesus and I know that she loved her grandma very, very much! It is obvious that a love for Jesus has been nurtured in young Julia's heart and I am sure grandma Carolyn had a lot to do with that. I will be praying for the Rutherford family - may you feel the Father's love and His peace in these difficult days.

*In Christ,
Patricia Boren, Warsaw, IN*

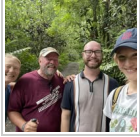
Patricia Boren - December 15, 2015 at 02:34 PM

SV

“ Shannon Valenzuela lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ruth Rutherford



Shannon Valenzuela - December 15, 2015 at 11:33 AM



“ Dear Arch,

Our heartfelt condolences from the Perkins family and your friends in Christ at Front Range Bible Church. We are praying for a wonderful testimony of the Good News of our Savior Jesus Christ - in death as in life. God is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob... and Carolyn Rutherford... because she now lives in the presence of her Savior.

In Christ Alone,

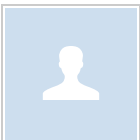
Mark

Mark Perkins - December 15, 2015 at 11:10 AM



“ *Carolyn was a really kind woman of God and will be missed by all her knew her. Denny & I will be praying for you Arch and your family as well during this time. In Christ's love, Denny & Sonia Davis*

Denny & Sonia Davis - December 15, 2015 at 10:31 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ruth Rutherford.*



December 15, 2015 at 12:34 AM



“ Carolyn was so warm and friendly and took an interest in everyone in the church. She always loved to swap teaching stories with me and would approach me every Sunday to check on me. I was single at the time, and so it always made me feel especially loved to know that she was watching out for me. She will be missed terribly here on earth, but I know she experiencing complete joy in Jesus' presence.

Charise Davis Cole - December 14, 2015 at 09:02 PM



“ Ed Rutherford lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ruth Rutherford



Ed Rutherford - December 14, 2015 at 08:35 PM