



Carolyn Strutner

October 9, 1942 - February 11, 2022

Carolyn E Strutner, 79 of Westerville, passed in peace Friday, February 11, 2022 at Mount Carmel St Ann's Hospital. Carolyn was born on October 9, 1942 to the late Dr. Frederick and Elizabeth Schaeffer in Worthington, Ohio. She was a 1960 graduate of Worthington High School. Carolyn attended Columbus Business University and worked at Baker Hostetler Law Firm in Columbus, Chase Foundry and Manufacturing Co and most recently at Spencer Research Incorporated, before retiring.

Carolyn was a loving and giving mother, grandmother and great grandmother, who enjoyed spending much of her time with family and friends. She was an avid animal lover, with a special place in her heart for dogs, cats and especially horses. Carolyn spent many of her younger years riding horses and competing in events at Rocky Fork Country Club and later in life owning and racing them as well.

Carolyn was a member of the AKC Kennel Club, where she competed with her dogs, a member of the Columbus Rock and Mineral Society, and a member of the Anglers Club. Carolyn always loved a good garage sale, rummage sale or flea market.

Carolyn is survived by daughter Lisa (Rob) Gilmore of Alexandria, Ohio; son Kevin (Shelley) Freese of Brunswick, Ohio; son Erich (Amy) Strutner of Westerville, Ohio, grandchildren Jessica, Michael, Sarah, Kallie, Logan, Jacob & Wyatt, great grandchildren Aria, Levi, Noah, Dean, Jack and Atlas and sister Dr. Barbara (Pat) Bowers of Columbus, Ohio.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her late and loving husband of 26 years Dr. Norman Strutner, her dear brother Dr. John Schaeffer and her dear sister Rebecca Thomas.

Family will welcome friends Friday, February 25, 2022 at Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home 515 High St Worthington, OH 43085 from 6-8pm. Private interment will be held at a later date.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB **25**. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Strutner*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - February 24, 2022 at 12:15 PM

MA

Beautiful memories of a beautiful lady.....a life well lived.

Mary Ann - February 25, 2022 at 10:50 AM



“ *Carolyn Strutner*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Strutner.*



February 24, 2022 at 08:44 AM

MM

“ Dear Lisa, Kevin, Erich & Family,

Words are inadequate to express my sympathy in the loss of your mother and my dear friend.

I met Carolyn while working at Spencer Research. With similar beliefs & interests, we soon bonded a lasting friendship.

Certainly, family was the love of her life. She looked forward to sharing time with her brother in Florida and enjoying time at the farm with you, Lisa, and her grandchildren. One of her happiest moments in life was the day you, Erich, received your degree. Carolyn was bursting with pride!

On a personal note, together we enjoyed breeding small birds, horse racing, geology, estate & church sales and boat trips to Put-n-Bay. Wherever we ventured, Carolyn hoped to find some small treasure to bring home to you.

Several years ago I asked Carolyn if she would like to volunteer at the Annual Show presented by the Columbus Rock & Mineral Society which my parents founded in 1958. She accepted & then became "hooked" on fossils, paleontology & gem stones, later becoming a member. At every show she searched for some unique specimen to purchase for her children and grandchildren.

While I will truly miss her contagious smile & laughter and our friendship, she will always hold a special place in my heart.

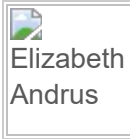
She loved each of you ever so much. My memories keep her near & may she rest in God's care.

Somewhere, at this very moment, I know she is looking down on you with love.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Maher

Mary Ann Maher - February 19, 2022 at 03:20 PM



“ *Aunt Carolyn was a loving sister to my father. They shared a wonderful bond in life and I'm sure now in heaven.* ”



Elizabeth Andrus - February 18, 2022 at 01:24 PM



“ *Carolyn was my neighbor for several years before I moved. Her laugh was infectious and we had a lot of fun memories together. Sending prayers to the family as she'll be missed dearly* ”

-Ashley

Ashley Doran - February 17, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Strutner.* ”



February 16, 2022 at 11:21 AM

LM

“ My first memory of Carolyn was when she moved to Worthington in third grade. Our 3rd grade teacher, Miss Cray, asked me to help her get acquainted with the other children, as she was shy. And so began our long friendship. It has been so nice to get reacquainted these last 10 years in our “lunch bunch” group. She will be dearly missed by all of us. Sending my sincere sympathies to her family.
Linda Nelson Mrukowski

Linda Nelson Mrukowski - February 14, 2022 at 11:43 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carolyn Strutner.



February 14, 2022 at 10:42 AM

CF

“ A Precious memory...
that I have shared with my dear friend, Carolyn
Schaeffer Strutner, took place on a cold December day in 1962.
We were two young women who were, each, expecting our first
child, one week apart!
Carolyn and I were keeping in touch by phone, when she told me
that she had canceled her hair appointment because of 'morning
sickness' and she was desperately in need of a haircut. Being a
good friend and having the skills and equipment to do the service, I
said I would come over to her apartment and cut her hair.
While she sat on a cushion, on the floor, with her alarm clock at her
side, I sat on the sofa behind her, and cut her hair. Both of us 'as big
as a barrel' laughing and wincing, as she timed her labor pains!
By the next morning Carolyn had delivered a beautiful baby girl,
whom she
named "Lisa". My son, Scott, was born right on time, the next week.
What a joyful memory we have shared for almost 60 years.

— Carole Smith Fischer

Carole Smith Fischer - February 12, 2022 at 08:41 PM

AS

What a beautiful memory! 🥰

Amy Strutner - February 14, 2022 at 10:01 AM

TB

“ The '60s Lunch Bunch purchased the Sweet Libe
rty for the family of Carolyn Strutner.



The '60s Lunch Bunch - February 12, 2022 at 06:30 PM

CV

“ *The WHS '60s LUNCH BUNCH of Worthington High School Class of 1960 wishes to express our heartfelt condolences to Carolyn's family. We are very sad to lose our good and faithful friend. Carolyn has been a regular at our Lunch Bunch get togethers since we started meeting at different restaurants every month for the last 10 years. We will so miss her wonderful sense of humor, camaraderie, and sharing old memories from our many years together in school. We sure love you, Carolyn! You will be greatly missed, old friend, but we look forward to seeing you again one day in the best class reunion of them all!*



Caroline Marshall Volle - February 12, 2022 at 06:07 PM

CV

Photo above: The '60s Lunch Bunch of Worthington High School, Class of 1960. Carolyn is 3rd back on the left.

Caroline Volle - February 13, 2022 at 04:03 PM

DA

She is so blessed to have such a wonderful group of friends. It meant a lot to her. She wanted to go to your monthly lunch and wasn't able. Thank you for the lovely photo.

Daughter:Lisa - February 17, 2022 at 07:43 PM