



Carol Joanne Harman

December 21, 1935 - November 2, 2017

Carol Joanne Harman of Corvallis, Oregon went to be with the Lord on November 2nd, 2017. She will be missed dearly, and most especially by her family.

Carol was born in Milwaukie, Wisconsin to Harold Spangrud and Gladys Mae Brown on 21 December 1935. She had one sister, Jean and a brother, Don, with whom she was exceptionally close. In 1949 the family moved to Port Angeles, Washington where Carol graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1953. As a talented singer, she was a member of the high school's premier singing group, The Nonettes. For many years, she enjoyed annual high school reunions with her graduating class.

Carol married James (Jim) Robert Harman at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Port Angeles, Washington in 1953. Jim and Carol's next stop was St. Petersburg, Florida where Jim had six months left to complete his tour of duty in the U S Coast Guard. After moving to Corvallis, Oregon, Carol and Jim joined the Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, and Carol has been a strong member of the church community for many years. Carol and Jim had four children together: Jay, John, Joseph, and Jennifer.

With pride, Carol recounted that she worked to support her husband when he attended Oregon State University. She greatly valued education. She has

assisted each of her grandchildren to go to college, and all have earned university or college degrees with her support.

Her impact on the Corvallis community was tremendous. When her beloved husband Jim unexpectedly died at 42, Carol was faced with the daunting task of picking up the reigns of the family business and raising three children still at home. She did admirably, continuing to run a successful home-building and real estate business for thirty-five plus years.

Carol Harman was on the board for the Bank of Corvallis in the 1980's, and also served as chairperson for the Builder's Board for the State of Oregon. It should be noted that she was the first woman to serve on that board in this capacity. Also, she was an active member of the Republican Women's Association of Benton County.

However, Carol's greatest joy was spending time with her beloved family. Her beautiful home was the site for many special family events, a tradition that continues today. Hobbies included singing, going to the beach, cooking, and enjoying time with loved ones. She greatly valued teaching a strong work ethic to her eight grandchildren.

Survivors include Jay (Debra) Harman, Canby; John Harman, Albany; Joseph (Rebecca) Harman, Philomath; Jennifer (Michael) Andrew, Lake Oswego; grandchildren Michael Harman, Jason Harman, Jaclin Paul, Joseph Harman, Jr., Philip Harman, Anna Morris, James Andrew, and Jordan Andrew, five great-grandchildren, and multiple nieces and nephews.

Her service will be at Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan in Corvallis at 12 Noon on Monday, November 13, 2017. McHenry Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please leave condolences for the family at www.mchenryfuneralhome.com In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the

National Alzheimer's Association.

Cemetery Details

Oak Lawn Cemetery

2245 SW Whiteside Drive
Corvallis, OR 97333
(541) 753-4532

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 13. 12:00 PM (PT)

Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan
333 NW 35th St.
Corvallis, OR 97330

Tribute Wall

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“ *To The Four J's (Jay, John, Joe, and Jennifer)*

I was traveling down Highland Drive in late October, and wondering if some Harmon's were still at the end of the long driveway on the hill? I was saddened to hear that Carol had passed away just a few days later. I remember sharing more than a few family meals at your house back in our youth. Also, swimming in the pool, riding mini-bikes, bucking hay, wrestling and other shenanigans. Good times for sure! Your mom always made me feel welcome. She took a genuine interest in me. Always concerned about my thoughts and needs. I will never forget, and always appreciate that about her. I feel your loss. I hope you can find peace in the knowledge that Carol was an amazing person and lived an awesome life. She lives on inside of you. It wouldn't surprise me if some of her strong personality traits didn't show up in some grandchildren. Wishing you and your entire family all the best. Peace, love, prosperity, health and long life. Sincerely, Ken Kathman 503-724-6633

Ken Kathman - November 14, 2017 at 05:47 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Carol*



Deb Harman - November 12, 2017 at 11:22 PM

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“ Dear Joe: Please accept my sincere condolences to you and your family on the passing of your mother. Be assured that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Sincerely,
Paul H. Cunningham
Director, KWVA, Inc.

Paul H. Cunningham - November 09, 2017 at 07:11 PM

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“ I first knew Carol and Jim when they were group leaders for the Episcopal Church high school youth. They were a young couple, fun and cheerful, and good role models. I was very saddened when I heard that Jim had died at an early age, and later was so impressed how Carol was able to take over the business reins of their very successful construction company. Once our children reached high school, we became acquainted again as Jenny was in our son Tim's class. I always enjoyed visiting with her at high school events and later on in the community. I am sorry she had memory issues in her later years, but I will remember her as a lovely, capable person and a wonderful mother. Sorry that I will be unable to attend the service. My sympathy to all the Harman's, but particularly to Jenny. Hold close your memories as she will always be with you.

With Love, Shirley Wirth

Shirley Wirth - November 07, 2017 at 06:21 PM