



Carol M. McLeod

December 11, 1932 - March 19, 2020

Carol M. McLeod, age 87, passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 19, 2020. She was born December 11, 1932 in Windsor, Ontario to Arthur and Florence (Lucas) Chapman. On October 12, 1957, she married David P. McLeod. Carol was a woman of great faith who put her family and friends above all else. She was an active member of Temple United Methodist Church for 60 years. One of Carol's greatest gifts was her ability to see needs to better our community and put her faith into action. In the early 70's, she helped form a group for adults with special needs to assist them with life skills. Carol was very proud of the reading tutorial program with Grace E. Loftis Elementary School that she coordinated for 15 years. In 1999, Carol co-founded Supper House, an all-volunteer, donation driven charity that continues to feed the hungry in Muskegon Heights.

SURVIVORS include her husband, David of Roosevelt Park; son, Bruce D. (Jackie) McLeod of Arlington, VA; 2 step-grandchildren: Chris (Elizabeth) Koches, Kurt (Kyle) Ridley-Koches; 3 step-great-grandchildren; her sister, Patricia Polson of Victoria, British Columbia; her nieces: Nancy Polson and Cathy Graham; and nephews: David Polson, James Polson, Derek McArthur, Jamie McArthur, and David Blom. Carol was preceded in death by her son, Douglas P. McLeod in 1991. A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Carol will be held at Temple United Methodist Church at a later date. Burial will take place in Restlawn Cemetery. IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, MEMORIALS to Temple United Methodist Church or Supper House will be appreciated and can be sent to Temple UMC, 2500 Jefferson Street, Muskegon Heights, MI 49444. Share memories with the family at their On-line Guest Book at www.sytsemafh.com Arrangements by The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, 6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444 (231) 798-1100

Cemetery

Restlawn Cemetery

1400 Kenneth Street

Muskegon, MI, 49442

Comments



“ Quantity and quality are hallmarks of a life well lived. Carol had quantity by her giving more than she received. She had a quality life because of how she connected to others and her mission. I know this to be true. Carol and Dave connected with me immediately upon my arrival to the land called Muskegon. It was their connection that kept me and my family steady. And oh! the laughter- game of spoons, Bill Knapps, boating and yes; Carol’s pranks involving plastic bugs!! It was a meaningful connection with the McLeods. Thank you Carol for a beautiful friendship! Our connection will continue through Dave and Bruce! Softly weeping with you...
~Lynnette

Lynnette Stallworth - April 01 at 02:03 PM



“ For an ... Remembering music for a wonderful friend who will most certainly be a member of Larry’s heavenly choir! Carol use to tell him she was going to join his choir, but was unable to carry a tune. (Not true, and she knew hymns by rote :)...then Larry would reciprocate with a jovial comment. A couple of mornings ago, words in jest awakened me: “Tell Carol I need someone to distribute choir music!” (So typical of Larry’s humorous remarks to her!) They were good friends and she appreciated his conducting, along with the vocal performances, complementing him after each service at Temple UMC. Yes, many will shed tears for the loss of such a good friend —she sent many beautiful cards over the years and ours are saved to hold the memories! One card received shortly before her death, held special meaning for me: “To pity distress is human...To relieve it is Godlike...Lord, teach me to laugh, but never let me forget that I cried”. Thank you, Carol, for your caring, your generosity shown to many—Supper House at Temple Methodist Church serves daily dinners to those less fortunate, and is a major part of her legacy...She lived her life putting others and family before herself and shared her religious thoughts in her many cards...her humor was a natural gift as well: And I just remembered, to prove her point that she was unable to sing well, Carol gave Larry a copy of her kindergarten report from her principal, revealing all A’s except in music and Rhythm!!!!!! You are missed Carol and may your love of a merciful God be with us always. Heartfelt thoughts to you, Dave, and your family,
Judy Gray

Judy Gray - March 29 at 04:05 PM



“ Judy, this is a wonderful and wonderfully written tribute to Carol. It’s wonderful! Carol always said to me that she couldn’t carry a tune.....maybe because she decided that choir was just a bit too much for her “plate.” However, she was Temple’s music critic and she loved Larry’s choir. You’re so right, she knew music...and she too, was a good melody in Temple’s song...

Jerry Hagans

Jerry Hagans - March 29 at 04:19 PM



“ Carol was the sweetest lady with such a great sense of humor. I loved her laughter - her wonderful laugh will never be forgotten. Our family shared holidays together every year during my childhood and I loved spending time at The McLeod's playing games, pinball and pool. She is truly one of life's gems and will be very sadly missed. Dave, Bruce and Jackie, we are so very sorry for your loss of such a wonderful lady.

Mark and Kim VanAelst

Kimberly VanAelst - March 25 at 02:23 PM



“ Dear Dave and family,
We are so grateful to have known Carol through shared ministry in Muskegon - first during our time at Ravenna UMC and now at Lake Harbor UMC. Her deep faith and passion for the Gospel has influenced so many people, including us, in lasting ways. We offer our sympathy to you in this difficult time.
Grace and peace,
Pastor Mary and Ivan Ivanov

Mary Ivanov - March 23 at 08:38 PM



“ Carol and my Mom Carolyn , were best of friends for years! My Grandma was her neighbor and friend also! Bruce and I spent many crazy card game and treat nights together at my Grandmas! So much fun!
I continued a very close bond with Carol after my Mom passed away. We would meet for lunch and talk for 2 hours or more! Catching up on everything ! We both enjoyed those lunches so much ! She was beautiful part of my Mom that I still had left! We had a mutual love for each other and very close relationship, which was so special to me! I will miss her so much!
Our love to you Mr. McLeod, Bruce and Jackie. She will always be a very special lady to all that knew her, with a heart so full of love and kindness!
Our Love,
Sally and Pete Pallas

Sally Pallas - March 22 at 08:42 PM



“ Isobel Herbert - Carol and I started to become friends in our 20's when we adopted children at the same time. Since we only lived a block apart from each other in Roosevelt Park we became close friends. We went through a lot together with our kids and grew very close, doing all sorts of things together. She was one of my best friends and she will forever be missed. I send prayers and love to the family and friends who had the chance to be in her life and love her the way i did.

Lauren Odren - March 22 at 01:31 PM



“ Dave - You are in our thoughts and prayers at this time of sorrow. You and Carol were such dear friends of Peg and Ray - Bob's sister and brother in-law for so many years and also Bob's sister in-law Elaine. We are so grateful for all that Carol did for Peg and Ray.

Bob and Margaret Danielson

Robert Danielson - March 22 at 10:34 AM



“ It seems like I've known Carol my entire life.. but Carol and Dave came into my families life when they came to Muskegon and my parents became best friends with them, and both were active at Temple Methodist church. Carol was always helping people, active in every aspect of the church and her personal life with her sons Doug and Bruce, who she loved so much!! She was a beautiful woman inside and out, a devoted wife and mother and most of all a follower of Christ. She was loved by so many and will be missed.. my thoughts and prayers go out to all her loved ones..

Cindy(Bea)Jakeway - March 21 at 01:46 PM



“ Carol was a very special person. She was the most thoughtful person I have ever known and lived her faith every day.. I will miss her very much and was privileged to have had her for a friend. Love to Dave and the family.

Donna G - March 21 at 12:25 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers are with you all
Not only was Carol a beautiful lady she had a wonderful attitude for all she did!
We are out of town but love to you Dave and family
JoAnn & Jerry Privasky



“ I have many great memories of this wonderful woman but 2 stand out the most. The first was shortly after Jeff and I had moved to Temple. It was the night before Halloween, Carol and her partner in crime Izzy put a pair of LEGS hanging out of our bushes. It was the greatest prank and scared the crap out of me. I can remember the sneaky looking smile on her face and we both laughed. The second was when I got to prank her back on her birthday. I decided to make her a kitty litter cake with tootsie roll poops and all. She loved it and I loved her. I will truly miss her and her great attitude. RIP beautiful lady until we meet again.- Cheryl Bowman

Cheryl Bowman - March 20 at 08:39 PM