



Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman

December 23, 1931 - January 12, 2020

Carolyn Corbett Turman, passed away on Sunday, January 12, 2020 in McKinney. Born December 23, 1931, Carolyn spent her whole life in Tyler (except for a brief time during WWII). She attended Gary Elementary, Hogg Junior High and Tyler High School, where she was May Queen in 1948. She was a graduate of Tyler Junior College. Her biggest accomplishment was raising her eight children and her beautiful marriage to the late Thomas E. Turman.

Carolyn was a lifelong member of Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, a member of the Mothers Club at St. Gregory Elementary as well as School Board member at Catholic High School, now Bishop T.K. Gorman High School. For over fifteen years she worked in the Mother's Club at both schools, and was chosen as Catholic Woman of the Year in 1960. She was also a member of the Altar/Rosary Society at the church.

For over twenty-five years, Carolyn was a volunteer at Mother Frances Hospital, and managed the Gift Shop there for 16 years. She was President of the Women's Auxiliary at Mother Frances Hospital, a Women's Symphony League member, and president of Idlewild swim club.

Carolyn loved football, basketball, dancing and playing the slot machines in Vegas. She also had a way of convincing you that burned biscuits, toast and

burned chicken fried steak or fried chicken was good for you. The only thing worse than getting in trouble with her was knowing that you were going to be in trouble again when Dad got home. She maintained a united front with our dad, being parents to us as children, then friends to us as adults. She found great joy in being "CiCi" alongside "Big Man" to her grandchildren in the second half of her life. She was independent and determined and instilled those qualities in each of us. Mom and Dad, we are forever grateful!

Carolyn is preceded in death by her parents Bud and Aline Corbett and husband Thomas.

She is survived by her eight children, Kay Turman Leeper and husband Jim of Bremen, Indiana, Anne Turman Sikes of Tyler, Phil Turman and wife Robbi of Austin, Cindy Turman Porterfield and husband Jim of McKinney, Chris Turman of Dallas, John Turman and wife Laurie of Tyler, Mark Turman and wife Judi of McKinney, and Carol Turman and Mike Semon of Plano. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

There will be a graveside service for Carolyn at Rose Hill Cemetery on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. A viewing will be held at Stewart Family Funeral home at 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy. Tyler, on Friday, January 17th from 4:00 -7:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 17. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Graveside Service

JAN 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

Rose Hill Cemetery
Tyler, TX

Tribute Wall

GW

“ Thinking of all of you during this difficult time. Wishing you peace and healing in the days ahead. Gayland and Roger Williams

Gayland Turman Williams - January 21, 2020 at 10:47 PM

LJ

“ What a lovely person. I worked with her many years with Mother Frances Aux. Nothing was ever asked of Carol but what she always said "Sure, be happy to help"! My prayers to her family. Lynne Justice

Lynne Justice - January 19, 2020 at 02:01 PM

JS

“ Jeral Smith purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.



Jeral Smith - January 17, 2020 at 11:20 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.



January 16, 2020 at 07:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.



January 16, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.



January 16, 2020 at 12:44 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.



January 16, 2020 at 08:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.



January 15, 2020 at 08:26 PM



“ *Cochrum and Killingsworth Life Group purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.*



Cochrum and Killingsworth Life Group - January 15, 2020 at 11:41 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.*



January 14, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.*



January 14, 2020 at 02:10 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Jo Carolyn Corbett Turman.*



January 14, 2020 at 11:20 AM

LC

“ On behalf of Carepath Hospice...we offer our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of the dearly departed. You and yours are in our thoughts and prayers at this time. God bless each and every one of you during this time of grief and sorrow. Respectfully, Lynn Coolman – Bereavement Coordinator, Carepath Healthcare – (Pastoral Care Team) for Family Support.

Lynn Coolman - January 14, 2020 at 10:40 AM