



Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes

May 25, 1941 - June 9, 2022

“To the World you are a mother, but to your family you are the World”. These words are a true reflection of Carolyn Holmes who was a mother of four and a “Nana” to ten. Just turning eighty-one on May the 25th she died Thursday, June 9, 2022 in Jackson.

Born in the Broadway community just outside of Lexington and raised on the farm, she was one of two children born to the late Lloyd Ottis and Willie B Wilson Hearn. And fittingly, she returned to Broadway to live for the last almost twenty years of her life. While attending high school she met her future husband, Tommy Holmes, and they were married for fifty-four years until his death in 2014.

Carolyn was very proud of her children and their families. From an early age she instilled in them the value of having high standards. And when asked, always enjoyed sharing their accomplishments. Travel was one of Carolyn’s passions. She and Tommy prioritized yearly family vacations and traveled with their family extensively all over the US. From multiple Daytona Beach trips, visiting Disney World the first summer it opened and all the Ford Motor Company car showings, their travel was vast. One of the most memorable trips was an eighteen day, six thousand mile cross country adventure with all four children packed in a 1976 Ford Country Squire station wagon, complete with wood paneled exterior. As empty nesters, Carolyn and Tommy enjoyed

cruises and several trips to Europe visiting Italy, Ireland and the United Kingdom. One of Carolyn's best works was taking the entire family, nineteen in total, on a 2018 trip to Disney World. When she wasn't traveling, Carolyn enjoyed time with her lady friends or the "lunch bunch" as she called them. And just two weeks ago she was at a family wedding and stayed at the reception until the last song was played.

Carolyn is survived by her sons: Kevin Holmes and his wife Jodi and their two daughters: Lindsay and Rachel; Chris Holmes and his wife Susan and their daughters: Hayley, Hannah and Hope; Cary Holmes and his wife Angie and their children: Chandler and Alex; and Carolyn's daughter, Hollianne Carver and her husband Keith and their children: Carson Tarantino and her husband, Michael, Jack Thomas Carver and Britton Carver. Preceding Carolyn in death was her brother Robert Henry Hearn.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Tuesday, June 14th at the First United Methodist Church of Lexington, where she was a member, with Rev/Dr. Chris Haynes officiating. Interment will follow in Lexington Cemetery. The Holmes family will receive friends on Monday, June 13th from 4-8 PM at Pafford Funeral Home and Tuesday morning from 10 AM until service time at the First United Methodist Church. If desired, memorials can be directed to the First United Methodist Church of Lexington and the West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation Hospice House.

Cemetery Details

Lexington Cemetery

Natchez Trace Drive
Lexington, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN
71 Monroe Ave.
Lexington, TN

Visitation

JUN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
Church Street
Lexington, TN

Church Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes



Pafford Funeral Home - June 13, 2022 at 10:43 AM

AL

“ Agnes Lemley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes



Agnes Lemley - June 14, 2022 at 09:46 AM

BW

“ Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes



Barbara Willis - June 13, 2022 at 10:19 PM

BW

So sorry for your loss.

Barbara Willis - June 13, 2022 at 10:20 PM

AL

Carolyn was a friend and very fine Southern Lady. Though I didn't know really I always admired her dedication to her family and our church. She will be remembered with fondness.

Agnes Lemley - June 14, 2022 at 09:49 AM

EB

My mom Jean Roberts Blankenship thought well of Carolyn and her family

Eric Blankenship - July 06, 2022 at 08:08 PM

DW

“ *My deepest sympathy for your loss. I have many memories of the Holmes family, and my dad and purchased Ford from Holmes Motors. I ordered my first car, a 2+2 1968 Mustang from Tommy while I was still stationed in Korea in the Army. It was sitting in my parent's driveway when I arrived home. My prayers are with you and your family.*

*David Warmbrod
57 Battery Cove
Jackson, Tn. 38305*

David Warmbrod - June 13, 2022 at 06:23 PM

PE

“ *Peggy lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes*



Peggy - June 13, 2022 at 03:03 PM

RO

“ Rick and Kim Odle purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



Rick and Kim Odle - June 13, 2022 at 02:08 PM

KP

“ Keith & Debbie Patterson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes



Keith & Debbie Patterson - June 13, 2022 at 01:31 PM

KP

Our love and prayers are with the family during this difficult time Carolyn was one of the kindness sweetest person+ you would ever meet she missed !

Keith & Debbie Patterson - June 13, 2022 at 01:35 PM

LP

“ Love, Steve and Patty purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



Love, Steve and Patty - June 13, 2022 at 12:51 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



June 13, 2022 at 11:39 AM



“ *Candice Lee and Vanderbilt Athletics* purchased the *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



Candice Lee and Vanderbilt Athletics - June 13, 2022 at 11:14 AM



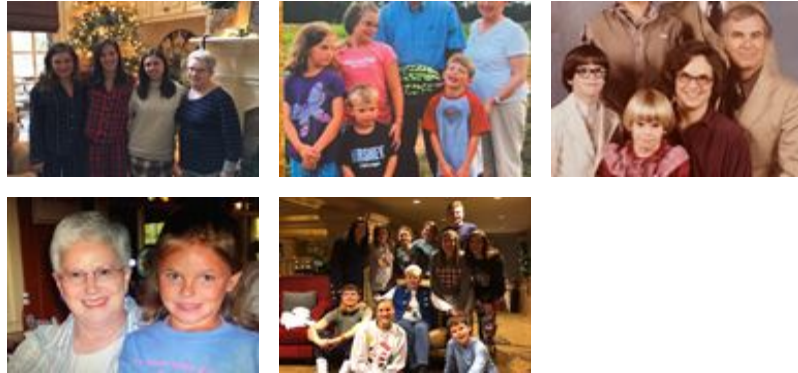
“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant* was purchased for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



June 13, 2022 at 10:48 AM



“ 107 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Pafford Funeral Home - June 13, 2022 at 10:45 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



June 13, 2022 at 10:04 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.



June 13, 2022 at 09:45 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.*



June 11, 2022 at 01:05 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Carolyn Hearn Holmes.*



June 11, 2022 at 12:40 PM



“ *Prayers for this family! While just an acquaintance for many years, she never failed to call me by name and ask how I was. Always amazed me how she remembered my name! Her obit was a beautiful tribute to her interesting life. It was evident the love she had for her family and friends!*



Rhonda Sanders - June 11, 2022 at 12:13 PM



Carolyn Holmes was a wonderful Mom and sister-in-law. I will miss her.
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Anne Lee - June 11, 2022 at 04:11 PM