



## Carolyn Cole Edwards

July 13, 2012

Edwards, Carolyn Cole 74 of Louisville, Born in Fordsville Ky the former Carolyn Cole, A long-term iconic member of the Executive Committees of the Jefferson County Republican party and the Republican Party of Kentucky, was reunited with her husband and daughter in Heaven on Friday afternoon, July 13, 2012 at Norton Hospital Downtown. Carolyn served in multiple leadership capacities within the party. She was the founder and president of Republican Woman of Southeast Jefferson County; the Third District Governor of the Kentucky Federation of Republican Woman; the President of South Jefferson Republican Club; Vice Chair of the Jefferson County Republican Party; she served on the county executive committee for over 25 years and on the state executive committee for eight. She was the recipient of the John Sherman Cooper Award for campaign service in 1992, the Henry Heyburn Award for lifetime service in 1998, and was the recipient of the Betty Landiss Holmes Award for party service and community involvement in 2009. She was a Delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1992 for President George H.W. Bush; and was the member of the US Electoral College for the Third District of Kentucky for President George W. Bush in 2004. She was a tireless campaign volunteer in countless campaigns from local legislative races to US Senate and Presidential races. A member of Southeast Christian where she was involved with the Peace Maker and Agape Classes. Preceded in death by her parents, her husband Earl Edwards, and her daughter Sheila Richards. She is survived by her daughter Leila Abbott, her son in law Judge Ken

Abbott, Two brothers Norman Ray and Donald Cole, a Sister Brenda Sharpe, granddaughters Kelsey and Holly, and her great-grandson Boone. Also survived by several Nieces and Nephews Her Funeral Service will be 11 am Tuesday July 17, 2012 at Owen Funeral Home-Jeffersontown 9318 Taylorsville Rd. Burial will be at Fordsville Cemetery (KY) Visitation will be Monday from 2-8 pm at the Funeral Home. On Line Condolences [www.OwenFuneralHome.com](http://www.OwenFuneralHome.com)

# Tribute Wall

LP

“ Dear Sheila, Ken, Kelsey & Holly,  
I was so saddened to hear of Carolyn's passing today. She was such a wonderful lady and I feel so privileged to have known her. I met her 12 years ago at a Republican meeting, of course, and we became fast friends. She adopted me into her family and I greatly valued our friendship and all of the wonderful times we had together. My life has been blessed by her in so many ways. Carolyn's strength of character never waivered through the most difficult of times, she was faithful and has finished her course and is home where she belongs.

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**Leah Pepper** - June 28, 2018 at 04:05 PM

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“ To the family of Carolyn Cole Edwards.  
My thoughts and prayers are with you. It is with a heavy heart that my good friend has passed away. Be with your husband, daughter and mother, I know that will be glad to have you with them. Organize a political gathering, of course, Republicans and conduct a rally in heaven.  
Oh, you will be missed by so many people, just know how much a great friend you have been to me. I Love you Carolyn. Rest in Peace.

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**Debbie Lurie** - June 28, 2018 at 04:05 PM

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“ Our prayers and love go out to the entire family. We only got to her know her during the short time she was her when Sheila passed, and left a wonderful impression on both of us. She is now with Sheila at home with our Savior.

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**Rob and Nancy Langer** - June 28, 2018 at 04:05 PM

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“ Carolyn, you have always been my "other mother". You were such a strong, smart, independent woman who was an example to all of us in what we could achieve in life. I will miss you forever. I'm smiling at the thought of you, Sheila and Popo partying in heaven with your new bodies! I wait for the day to join you. God's peace to all the Richards' family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Renee Von Roenn** - June 28, 2018 at 04:05 PM

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“ Carolyn,

*You will forever be missed. An outstanding woman, daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Although my heart is heavy, I am lifted somewhat as I know I will see you again one day.*

*Until that time, God bless you and keep you.*

*Love,  
Anita*

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**Anita Pope** - June 28, 2018 at 04:05 PM