



Carolyn Sue Hamby

September 26, 1942 - July 7, 2021

Carolyn Sue Hamby, 78, of Louisville, KY passed away Wednesday, July 7, 2021. Carolyn was born September 26, 1942, in Orange, TX to Jack J. Hamby and Annis Godwin Hamby. Her formative years were spent in Orange, where she attended Anderson Elementary, Carr Junior High and Lutcher Stark High School. She received a Degree in Education from North Texas State College (now UNT) in Denton in 1964. After graduation, Carolyn moved to Louisville, Kentucky where she began teaching at Watson Lane Elementary for almost 30 years.

Though she spent her working career in Louisville, Carolyn remained in close contact with her family and many friends in Texas. Especially a lifelong group of girlfriends affectionately known as “The Herd”. Carolyn was the current president of the Valley Women’s Club, and a longtime patron of Derby Dinner Playhouse in Clarksville, IN. Carolyn loved to cook and bake; we all have memories of the many delicious events she created for us with her catering company “Miss Charlotte’s Pantry”. Carolyn never forgot to send a card to friends and family for every birthday or holiday. She truly cherished the people in her life by evidence of all the cards and memories she saved from everyone else. She will be missed by so many, but never forgotten.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and sisters, Mildred Lucas and Dorothy Mackay, Brother-in-Law Bill Lucas, of Baytown, TX, her best friend

Mary Jane Gossett of Louisville, KY. Survivors include her nieces & nephews, Stephen MacKay, Deborah Ebensberger, Christopher Lucas and Cynthia Hill and many great nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 1 - 5:00 p.m., with time for Sharing of Memories at 3:00 p.m., July 31, 2021, at Owen Funeral Home, 5713 Dixie Highway, Louisville, KY 40216 with interment in Baytown, TX.

In lieu of usual remembrances her family requests that contributions may be made to the Bay Area Relay for Life, P. O. Box 758, Baytown, TX 77522 or the Faith Presbyterian Church Building Fund, 3900 N. Main, Baytown, TX 77521.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 31. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
(502) 447-2600
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Owen Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Sue Hamby



Owen Funeral Homes - July 31, 2021 at 01:16 PM

 Tammy
Arthur

“ Ms. Hamby was my 2nd grade teacher at Watson Lane in '81-'82. As a 7/8 yr old, I was very intimidated by her (although this did not stop me from talking 😊). What I remember most about her is she was *THE* kindest teacher I ever had. My family was poor, it was my mom, step-dad, and 2 siblings, and my sister and I had to share a pair of boots (the zipper didn't work half the time) and a pair of dress shoes. Ms. Hamby measured my foot on a piece of paper and went out and bought me socks, panties, and 2 pair of shoes *JUST* for me. On another occasion a fellow student wanted books from the Scholastic order form, and when it was time to turn in the form and money, the student had colored pieces of paper and turned it in. Ms. Hamby accepted the "payment" and when the book orders came in, the student received hers as well.

Ms. Hamby was a kind, but firm teacher, and I can honestly say that remembering her all through these years is the reason I work with children. She truly inspired me to help others like she did me. I am sorry I did not know she passed until today, as I drove past her house and saw hit was empty. I searched her name and came across her obit. I would have liked to pay my respects in person, but sadly I didn't get that chance. She will genuinely be missed.

Tammy Arthur - August 23, 2023 at 03:01 PM

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“ Carolyn was a very special lady. Always thinking of others. I first met her when I went with my daughter-in-law's mother, to order a wedding cake for our children's wedding. Later she made my daughter's wedding cake and an anniversary cake for my in-laws. Each cake was beautiful and delicious. When I retired from Watson Lane I became a member of The Oldies group she was the leader of. That's when I found out she was such a nice, kind, caring person. Carolyn is truly missed.

judy Woods - July 30, 2021 at 11:50 AM