



Carol "Carol Ann" Guthrie

October 19, 1950 - June 6, 2026

Carol "Carol Ann" Guthrie, age 75, of Hobart, IN passed away June 6, 2026. She was born on October 19, 1950, in Gary to Donald and Norma Smith. Carol was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Donald Smith Jr. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Terry Guthrie; daughter, Shelly (Mitch) Ruthkay, son, Steve (Dana) Kotyuk; grandchildren, Tim (Britney) Kotyuk, Nick Kotyuk, Stephanie Nichols (Cole Barcroft), Mitcheal Ruthkay, Lindsey Ruthkay, 5 great grandchildren, Warren, Nash, Baylor, Timmy, Addie; sisters, Edie Zulkowski, Mary Davis; many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and her best and dearest friend, Kathy (Jim) Whitaker. Carol attended Lew Wallace High School. She married Terry and built a loving home together raising their family. If you new Carol (KooKoo, or Auntie KooKoo), she would light up a room. She loved to cook, bake (her famous chocolate chip cookies), play poker and cards with family and friends. Carol enjoyed family vacations, visiting her sisters and brother, and spending time with all of her grandchildren. She always wore Angel perfume which was fitting because she was an angel here on earth. Some of her favorite things were doing crafts, hosting Christmas Eve for her family, having club with her friends, laying out in the pool with her favorite people, having breakfast with her son and daughter, and talking on the phone with her best friend every day. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Memorial visitation will take place on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, from 3 p.m. until the time of the Memorial service at 6 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home and Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. Rev.

Thomas Clark officiating. In lieu of flowers donation may be made to <https://kindredlifeministries.org>, or <https://www.donor.komen.org>.

Please visit Carol's online obituary and guestbook at www.burnsfuneral.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN **16**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Town of Ogden Dunes - June 16 at 10:01 AM

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“ Love, Missy, Paul and Nancy purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Carol "Carol Ann" Guthrie.



Love, Missy, Paul and Nancy - June 14 at 09:48 PM

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“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carol "Carol Ann" Guthrie.*



June 13 at 11:52 AM



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“ *Our deepest condolences. May her memory be eternal.*

Jon Turpa - June 10 at 02:39 PM



Shelley thoughts and prayers are sent to you and your family and your dad Terry. She was a lovely and thoughtful woman who will die missed by all who knew her rest in peace Carol may the perpetual light shine upon you. With love, Janet Larson and family.

janet larson - June 10 at 02:51 PM



Those who knew her, loved her. This is so hard. Prayers for her family! I will forever remember her wonderful laugh and her smile. I have wonderful memories of when she and Terry lived just below my husband and me in our first apartment.

Ann Leavitt - June 10 at 04:02 PM

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Carol was a true blessing, and her love touched so many lives. She had a beautiful way of making people feel remembered, cared for, and deeply loved.

Her devotion to her family was unmistakable, especially to her grandchildren, who were truly her whole world.

Carol was also the greatest kind of friend — loyal, steady, and present through every season of life. My mom was blessed beyond measure to have her by her side since grade school.

I hope all of you feel surrounded by the love Carol gave so freely. Her legacy will live on in the memories she created, the family she cherished, and the many people who were blessed to know her.

Sending love and prayers to all who loved her. 🧡

Sherry Whitaker Budziak - June 11 at 10:50 AM