



# Carolyn Forste

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**M**rs. Carolyn Forste, aged 77, passed away peacefully in Cornelius, NC, surrounded by her loving family on Friday, February 9, 2024.

Born in Queens, NY, Carolyn later made her home in Simsbury, CT, where she resided for many years. Eventually, she settled in Cornelius to enjoy her retirement. Carolyn was cherished by all who knew her, celebrated for her selflessness, quick wit, vibrant spirit, amazing cooking, and boundless creativity.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James, and Eleanor Trimore. Carolyn is survived by her devoted husband of 55 years, John Forste Sr., and their children: John Forste, Jr. (Audra) of Davidson, NC, and Jill Cimildoro (Mark) of Canton, MA. Her legacy continues through her precious grandchildren: James, Alexandra, Kate, and Tyler. Carolyn's sister, Elizabeth Rey (Louie) of Sommerville, SC, and numerous loving cousins, nieces, and nephews also mourn her passing.

The family will come together to honor Carolyn's life in an intimate setting, rather than holding a formal funeral.

They humbly ask that those who wish to convey their condolences consider making a memorial contribution to the Cancer Research Institute <https://www.cancerresearch.org/our-impact> or the Tunnel to Towers Foundation <https://t2t.org/>. Your compassionate gesture will be gratefully acknowledged.

May her memory be a blessing to all who knew and loved her.

James Funeral Home is assisting the family, online condolences may be made at [www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com](http://www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com).



# Tribute Wall

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**Jill Cimildoro** posted:

We celebrated you today, mommy. All your dear friends and family gathered together, shared stories, laughed, hugged, and cried. Love and miss you every second of every day.P. S. Thank you for sending me so many signs 💜💛☐☀️

May 4 at 10:30 PM



**John F.** planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Carolyn.



March 27 at 2:47 PM



**Brian Bilodeau** posted:

I'm so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. I was her manager @ Chubb for a few years before her retirement to the Carolinas. She was a bright light with a great sense of humor. She loved her family and grandchildren so much. So many great memories and talks I shared with Carolyn as she was like the "Mom" for all the co-workers on our Chubb Insurance (USB) Team. I had given her the Italian Mob Hits CD and she would play it even years after her retirement. I will miss her and sending you and your brother John as well as your family, my thoughts and prayers. She was a fantastic woman and will be missed by all.RIP 🙏

March 9 at 9:39 AM



**John Forste** March 27 at 2:34 PM

Thank you Brian for the note. She enjoyed her time working for you and would often talk fondly about you. ❤️



**Anonymous** sent a Dreams From the Heart Bouquet to the Forste family.



February 16 at 11:31 AM



**Your Microsoft Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Carolyn.



February 16 at 11:31 AM



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RM

**Ron And Denise Muller** posted:

My deepest sympathy to John Sr and her loving family. May your fond memories of Carolyn comfort you during these difficult times. She will be missed.

February 14 at 7:26 AM

BZ

**Bg Zietz** posted:

Dear John, Jill, Johnny, Liz and family, I am deeply sorry for your loss and ours as well of our dearest friend! Carolyn's memory lives on in each of you! I was so blessed to have her friendship and companionship in my office and we spent many hours sharing, family stories, and our love for our children. She loved you so much! May that love sustain you through your lives! ❤️ BG

February 12 at 3:37 AM

JF

**John Forste** March 27 at 2:37 PM

Thank you BG & Maureen for your kind words. We are heartbroken but will think about our loving Mom every day. She loved you both very much and cherished your friendship for all those years. ❤️ 🙏

MC

**Maureen Celli** February 13 at 8:15 PM

I am so sorry for your loss. Carolyn was a person who lit up a room. Her humor and positive energy were a gift. Coincidentally- we were neighbors in Simsbury and neighbors in Cornelius - so grateful!

PM

**Pat Mearkle** posted:

John and family, We are so sorry for your loss. We have fond memories spending time with you both in CT. Keeping you all in our hearts during this difficult time. Walt and Pat Mearkle

February 11 at 7:10 PM

JF

**John Forste** March 27 at 2:41 PM

Thank you Pat for your kind words. She cherished your friendship and would speak of you often. We still have the giraffe that your husband made for our first born James! We plan on handing it down to his son or daughter someday. She thought that was the sweetest gift and I can remember her smile as she gave it to my son James. Sending our love to you and your family. ❤️ 🙏



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Jl

**Jill** posted:

Love you mommy. Thank you for surrounding me with love. I know you're resting peacefully in heaven and that gives me comfort. I will be strong, I promise. I love you more.

February 11 at 5:36 PM

JF

**John Forste** lit a candle in honor of Carolyn.

Rest comfortably and in peace Mom. I love you more!

February 11 at 11:17 AM





# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Carolyn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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