



Carla Marie Eads

March 31, 1951 - March 17, 2018

Carla Marie Eads, 66 of Jackson, Missouri, peacefully left this world on March 17th, 2018 at her home surrounded by family, close friends, and her dogs.

She was born March 31, 1951 in Decatur, Illinois to the late Carl and Doris (Crawford) Schnebly, the second of four children. She attended Newman High School in Newman, Illinois, graduating in 1969.

Carla married the love of her life, Clark Eads, on January 20th, 1973. Their strong and faithful bond was apparent to anyone who knew the couple. Carla and Clark lived together in various cities in Illinois, Indiana and Missouri throughout their marriage until Clark's passing on September 15th, 2006. They were the proud parents of three children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Carla's greatest joy in life was her family.

Carla had a lifelong passion for music. A Beatles fan since childhood, seeing them perform live was one of the highlights of her life. Carla demonstrated her own theatrical and vocal abilities, starting in her youth with performances with her brother, Gene, and extending into her adulthood through her involvement with the Great River Players and River City Singers when living in Warsaw, Illinois. She continued to be involved in music while living in Jackson, performing at church and in the community with Sisters of Grace and Restless Spirit vocal groups.

Carla enjoyed a successful thirty-year career as a dental assistant/receptionist before her retirement in 2016. While raising her young children, Carla operated a daycare out of her home and taught music at Vacation Bible School. Always an active parent, she led her oldest son, Jason's, senior high youth group, served as a Boy Scout leader for her youngest son, Matt, and spent countless hours cheering her kids on as they competed in various sports. Later, alongside her daughter, Kendra, she participated in dog rescue transports and actively supported organizations aimed at serving victims of sexual violence. Carla also partnered with various veterans' and children's causes throughout her life and volunteered as an EMT for the Warsaw Ambulance Service.

Carla's surviving family includes her daughter, Kendra Eads of Cape Girardeau; son, Matthew (Heather) Eads of Crookston, Minnesota; brother, Steve (Vicki) Schnebly of Paxton, Illinois; sister, Sue (Frank) VanSickle of Newman, Illinois; grandchildren, Dylan Akers, Kane Eads, Olivia Kendrick, Alyson Eads, Riley Eads, Owen Eads and Emersyn Eads; great-granddaughter, Lilyana Bliss; dogs, Ella and Lucy; many beloved nieces and nephews, and other extended family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her brother, Gene Schnebly; and her son, Jason Eads.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, April 7th at 3pm at Jackson Civic Center, 381 E. Deerwood Dr. Jackson, MO. 63755.

Memorial donations may be given to Southeast Missouri Network Against Sexual Violence, 1359 Mount Auburn Rd., Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 or the Humane Society of Missouri, 2400 Drilling Service Dr., Maryland Heights, MO 63043.

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carla Marie Eads.*



April 02, 2018 at 09:58 PM



“ *My heart is with Kendra and family. Carla was such a special soul who always blessed me with her warmth. I am thanking God for her life, legacy, and my friendship through Kendra. Love to the family, Caroline*



Caroline Shadforth - March 26, 2018 at 07:49 AM



“ *I have spent many hours playing music with Carla....what a beautiful voice God gave her. I will never forget her laugh and her incredible sense of humor. I cherish all the time we spent together, all the benefit concerts we played together back in the Restless Spirit Days, and all of the personal moments we shared comparing our God stories and talking about how great it felt to be used by God to benefit those in need. I will truly miss you Carla, but I know you are in good hands.*

Brad Davis - March 22, 2018 at 01:54 PM

RM

“ *Carla had a beautiful voice and I cherish and treasure the memories of singing with her in the chancel choir at New McKendree and then when Carla, Kathy Haas and I sang together in a trio which became the Sisters of Grace.*

Prayers to you , Kendra and the rest of the family as you remember your sweet mom.

I will never forget Carla and her beautiful smile, wonderful personality and awesome voice.

Ruth Masterson - March 22, 2018 at 09:38 AM

GS

“ *Both Carla and Clark will be greatly missed they were a beautiful couple r l p they are together again hugs to the family GeorgiA Sanders (Cousin) on Eads Driver side*

georgia sanders - March 20, 2018 at 09:51 PM

PA

“ *I remeber when My aunt carla was always there for me when I was 1 years old my parents always took me down to see aunt Carla and uncle Clark they where the best! And I miss you Both so much!!*

payton - March 20, 2018 at 09:36 PM

DC

“ *Carl will be missed. I remember going to a baby shower in metcalf at aunt lura and uncle Sam house.*

Debra Geller (Pine) cousin - March 20, 2018 at 08:15 PM

SA

“ I always enjoyed hearing Carla sing. She brought out the best of Kara Whitledge Westridge and was a great mentor to her. Today, I still enjoy Kara every Sunday at South Campus of New McKendree. Thank you Carla for sharing your talent with us.
Sherron Alexander

Sherron Alexander - March 20, 2018 at 05:01 PM

DB

Carla, Carla what can i say....she was my client at first then we became friends she would always listen when I talk and always would give me advice....bossy bossy lol that's what she would say to me....i said wait a minute that's why we get along so well we bossed each other around then just laughed about it...she was very particular about alot of things I figured it out quick...I love Ms Carla will miss you everyday...i have your Ella Clair she is now our family...im glad we prayed together and talked about Jesus...i love you RIP...your family is mine to now they are awesome people..

Daisy Barks - March 20, 2018 at 07:44 PM

JH

What a beautiful voice Carla had! I was Blessed to sing beside her in the River City Singers! Now her great friend Laura and Carla are singing together in the heavenly Choir! Condolences to the family!

Jill Hohl - April 02, 2018 at 06:06 PM