



Carol Diane Graybill

July 18, 1945 - March 12, 2022

When Carol walked into a room, her grace and kindness illuminated and touched everyone in it. On March 12, 2022 Carol passed away in Leesburg FL due to complications from surgery to repair a broken hip. Carol was born in Alexandria VA on July 18, 1945 to the late Lawrance Jones and Eleanor Swann Jones and married Jesse N. Graybill, Jr. on September 11, 1965.

Carol could talk to anyone. She always had time and concern for people and her life was full of service. These qualities were demonstrated over a long career including positions at the Department of Parole & Probation, Juvenile Services, the School Board, and at Lackey High School. She graduated from the Catherine Gibbs School in Boston in 1964, and later became a Certified Professional Secretary. She served as president of the local chapter of the Certified Professional Secretaries Association. After retiring from her career, Carol continued working at a mastectomy salon and in wealth management.

Carol's generosity was expressed in countless ways. She was very generous with her time as a volunteer, including the Linus Project, Rolling Thunder, Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, Blue Knights, St Joseph's Parish in Pomfret MD, and various women's organizations. She was known for the annual Pig Roast which she and Jesse joyfully hosted at their home for over 20 years, an event that brought together friends and family from all over the country.

Her many hobbies included knitting and crochet, crossword puzzles, quilting, and she was a prolific sewer - the monogrammed, hooded beach towels she made are treasured by the many people who received them as gifts.

In 2017 Carol and Jesse moved to Leesburg FL to make a new home in their retirement. In Leesburg, Carol made many new friends and enjoyed card games, dominoes, and other pursuits. Carol loved to travel, with trips to Japan, Hawaii, cruising, and to visit family and friends all over the country being among favorite destinations. She loved Christmas and helping Jesse with his extensive Christmas decorations.

Carol will be missed by her husband Jesse, her son Jesse Lawrance and daughter-in-law Laura, her brother Gerald Jones, plus countless additional family and friends who cherished her presence in their lives. She will be interred at St Joseph's Parish cemetery in Pomfret, MD.

Tribute Wall

LR

“ Col Jesse - I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of your beautiful wife. It is impossible for me to fully relate to the massive loss to you and your family as few of us really can contemplate such an absence of our mate and loved one we have shared our lives with for so many years. You and your family are in my heart, thoughts, and prayers. Though distance prevents me from standing alongside you know that I will be there in spirit. God Bless my old friend!

*Lt David B. Wright #86 CCSO Ret
Las Vegas, NV*

Lt David B. Wright #86 CCSO Ret - May 05, 2022 at 10:51 AM

AH

“ So sorry for your loss Jess. I've tried writing more to help you cope and keep back spacing, knowing that wasn't enough. I guess it's hard to say things to help or offer words of wisdom without a point of reference for the pain. As for the wisdom, I guess I don't have as much as I thought I did since I come up dry without using plagiarism. Let me know if there's anything we can do for you back here.

Allen E Hewett - March 19, 2022 at 10:07 AM

RS

“ I am saddened to learn of Carol's passing. Carol was always kind and pleasant to me in our personal contacts. She was always very helpful and understanding while making late night and early morning calls to reach Lt. Colonel Graybill.

My heartfelt sympathy to the entire Graybill family and to all of Carol's friends. Colonel I am thinking of you during this time of loss.

*Raymond J. Clasing, Sr
Forest Hill, Maryland*

Raymond J. Clasing, Sr. - March 19, 2022 at 12:20 AM

TF

“ There are no words we can offer to comfort the pain your family is experiencing. Know you are all in our prayers. We are here for you.

The Fenwick Family - March 18, 2022 at 07:43 PM

KR

“ Jesse, Ken and I just found out about Carol's passing. We are so very sorry for your loss. She was always a personable lady and so easy to talk to. It was many years ago, she hired me to iron yours and her laundry including those state police shirts. I really did enjoyed ironing (at the time), maybe not so much now, haha. May Carol rest forever in peace.

Ken & Jane Robeson - March 18, 2022 at 06:52 PM

MS

“ Please accept my sincerest condolences. Although it's been several years I still fondly remember the Blue Knights meetings and the Rolling Thunder preparations and events. I know Wayne was happiest on his bike with you guys. I'll light a candle this evening for everyone in the family.

Marie Steadman - March 18, 2022 at 05:51 PM

AC

“ Carol was a lovely and beautiful person inside and out. She was a friend to so many who will truly miss her. We were so sad to hear of her passing.

Andie & Jim Corby - March 18, 2022 at 05:49 PM