



## Carol Rochelle Lowry

December 14, 1944 - April 28, 2024

Carol Rochelle Lowry, age 79, of Mattoon, IL passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 28, 2024 at Willow Breeze Hospice House in Mattoon, IL. A celebration of life will be held at noon, Saturday, May 11, 2024, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938; Reverend Matthew Froeschle will officiate. The visitation will be held from 10:00 AM until the time of service at the funeral home.

She was born on December 14, 1944, in Coles County, Illinois to the late Donald Lowry and Ruth Ellison (Haverstock). She is survived by her daughter Lori Kassal and husband Ron of South Beloit, IL; grandson, Nick Dotson of Chicago, IL; granddaughters Elisabeth (Nathan) Laird of South Beloit, IL and Glorianne (Bronson) Nimmer of Loves Park, IL; brother, Chuck Lowry of Dyersburg, TN; uncle, Merle Lowry of Mattoon, IL; sisters-in-law, Mary Lowry of Toledo, IL and Jill Rainey of Dyersburg, TN; Lori's father and bonus mother Leon and Karen Huffmaster of Mattoon, IL; daughters of the heart, Kim (Bob) Freeman of Sullivan, IL and Dana Reynolds of Windsor, IL; significant other, Jerry VanBellehem of Effingham, IL and his daughters Kathy (Terry) Davis of Mattoon, IL and Heidi VanBellehem of Effingham, IL, and their daughters Erika (Clint) Tucker and Elena Davis of Charleston, IL; grandsons, Carson and Coen VanBelleham of St. Joseph, IL; as well as other family members. Her many loving cousins and friends also survive her. She is preceded in death by two brothers, Tom, and Ken Lowry.

Carol was a fun-loving and caring individual who had a passion for jigsaw

puzzles, snacks, and spending quality time with her friends and family. She had a special bond with her grandson, Nick, and was his loving YaYa. Her family would like to thank the staff at Willow Breeze Hospice House for their unending love and kindness.

Memorials in her honor may be given to Willow Breeze Hospice House, 10660 County Road 800 N, Mattoon, IL 61938.

Please visit [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) or [www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome](https://www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome) to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 11. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home Ltd.  
1200 Wabash Ave  
Mattoon, IL 61938  
(217) 234-8828  
contact@mitchelljerdan.com  
<https://www.mitchell-jerdan.com/>

## Service

MAY 11. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JA

“ *Jill A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Rochelle Lowry.*

Jill A. - May 10, 2024 at 12:40 AM

JA

“ *Jill A. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Carol Rochelle Lowry.*



Jill A. - May 10, 2024 at 12:40 AM

JS

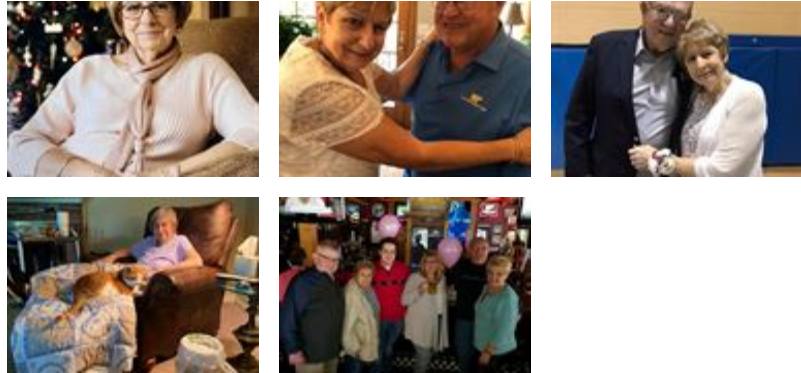
“ *Met Carol many years ago through MAPAS theater group. Such a fun loving, big hearted lady.*



Jodi Sparks - May 09, 2024 at 11:37 PM



“ 75 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - May 09, 2024 at 02:10 PM



“ Roger Huffmaster planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Rochelle Lowry.

Roger Huffmaster - May 09, 2024 at 09:33 AM



“ Roger Huffmaster purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Carol Rochelle Lowry.



Roger Huffmaster - May 09, 2024 at 09:33 AM



“ Joyce and Bill Downing planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Rochelle Lowry.

Joyce and Bill Downing - May 08, 2024 at 11:55 AM

JD

“Joyce and Bill Downing purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Carol Rochelle Lowry.



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**Joyce and Bill Downing** - May 08, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carol Rochelle Lowry.



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May 06, 2024 at 04:27 PM

CV

“C.J. & Bobbi Vanschaick purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Carol Rochelle Lowry.



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**C.J. & Bobbi Vanschaick** - May 05, 2024 at 12:28 PM

CV

“C.J. & Bobbi Vanschaick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Rochelle Lowry.

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**C.J. & Bobbi Vanschaick** - May 05, 2024 at 12:28 PM

JM

“ Jason Dotson & Erik Molzen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Rochelle Lowry.

Jason Dotson & Erik Molzen - May 04, 2024 at 12:10 PM

JM

“ Jason Dotson & Erik Molzen purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Carol Rochelle Lowry.



Jason Dotson & Erik Molzen - May 04, 2024 at 12:10 PM

CD

“ So sorry for your loss. I have nothing but good memories of your Mom. She had the greatest sense of humor. She will be missed.

Carol Doerr - May 04, 2024 at 11:27 AM

JD

“ Joyce Downing lit a candle in memory of Carol Rochelle Lowry



Joyce Downing - May 03, 2024 at 11:40 AM

JD

“ My sympathy to her family. Carol was my best friend all through school and continued to be though many miles kept us from seeing each other but kept in contact by phone. I will always cherish the visit I had with her on the 13th of April when I had chance to talk with her and share some memories and good times we had. She will be missed and will always be in my heart and memory. Miss you sweet girl and love you Joyce

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**Joyce A Downing** - May 03, 2024 at 11:38 AM

BS

“ LORI, So sorry for your loss. Many years ago Carol and I were neighbors in Mattoon. We were members together in ABWA. We traveled together to Conventions in ABWA. She was quiet but a great friend, always lots of fun. Lots of good memories . Rest in peace Carol. Love you Bonnie Scrimager

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**Bonnie Scrimager** - May 02, 2024 at 06:24 AM

JL

“ When I first met Carol, I thought to myself that we would never be friends. Boy, was I wrong. We had so many laughs and good times together. She was so much fun and sometimes outrageous. Carol will always have a place in my heart. I will truly miss answering the phone and hearing, Judy Wayne is that you? Lori, my heart is sad for you and Nick but I am happy that her suffering is over. Love you, Carol. ❤️

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**Judy Lovstad** - May 01, 2024 at 07:21 PM

SL

“Lori, since you sent the news about your mom, I have reflected on all the wonderful memories we made and shared, I truly can't remember a time in my life that your mom was not in mine. She truly was an incredible, loving, caring, amazing and funny woman. I will deeply miss her but will forever cherish her in my heart ❤️.

*My love, thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

*“A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies. It brings us together again and again”- Maya Angelou*

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**Stacey Lovstad** - May 01, 2024 at 05:07 PM