



Carolyn J. Suerdieck

April 1, 1951 - January 24, 2017

Mattoon, IL – Carolyn J. Suerdieck, age 65, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 10:15 a.m., Tuesday, January 24, 2017, at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. The funeral service in her honor will begin at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, January 28, 2017, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Father John Titus officiating. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will be held Friday evening from 5:00-8:00 p.m., at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL, 61938.

Carolyn was born April 1, 1951, in East Washington, PA, the daughter of the late Richard J. and Jeanne W. (Warrick) Busbey. She married Chris Suerdieck on February 18, 1972, in Mattoon, IL. Survivors include Chris, her loving husband of nearly 45 years; their children, Bryan Suerdieck with Tracy Clark of Santa Barbara, CA, and Beth Suerdieck of Nashville, TN; two sisters, Becky Crites and husband Jerry of Mattoon, IL, and Janet Uphoff and husband Scott of Mattoon, IL; her step-mother, Sylvia Busbey of Mattoon, IL; and several nieces and nephews.

A founding partner in the Picket Fence, Carolyn treasured the many lasting friendships she made with customers and co-workers alike. She was a member of several bridge clubs and eagerly looked forward to her breakfast club mornings. A vibrant spirit, Carolyn was willing to try anything, and had been active in jazzercise, softball, and running. Her hobbies included flower gardening and interior decorating. The highlight of her life was her family and she cherished family vacations and the memories they created.

Over the years, she fought several progressively debilitating illnesses with dignity and grace, always thinking of others before herself. Her family was the center of her life and her friends were treated like family. Everyone who met her was touched by her heartwarming smile. Memorials in her honor may be made to the Arthritis Foundation, 4501 N. Sterling Ave, Suite 101, Peoria, IL 61615 or LincolnLand Hospice, 1004 Health Center Dr, Mattoon, IL 61938. Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with her family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary

Mattoon, IL 61938

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

JAN 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Mattoon, IL 61938

Tribute Wall



“ *Carolyn J. Suerdieck*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Paula Wright Bouck lit a candle in memory of Carolyn J. Suerdieck*



Paula Wright Bouck - February 14, 2017 at 08:42 PM



“ *The Warrick Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carolyn J. Suerdieck.*



The Warrick Family - January 26, 2017 at 11:03 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Carolyn J. Suerdieck.*



January 26, 2017 at 10:18 AM

CI

“ *Claudia Ingle lit a candle in memory of Carolyn J. Suerdieck*



Claudia Ingle - January 25, 2017 at 02:38 PM

CI

“ *Chris, Brian and Beth want you to know you have our deepest sympathy. You have been in our thoughts and prayers even though we have not been there for 10 years. We will always remember Carolyn.*

Claudia Ingle - January 25, 2017 at 02:37 PM

BH

“ *Our sincere sympathy to you Chris and to your family. Carolyn was a wonderful lady who battled her illness with dignity and grace. I remember her warm personality and funny giggle when we would share a time at the bridge table. She loved life and never complained - we all admired her strength.*

Barb and Roger Haberer

barbara haberer - January 25, 2017 at 01:47 PM

 Linda
Harmony

“ *Chris, so sorry to hear about your loss! She was a very nice lady. Our love and prayers are with you!*

Linda and Mike Harmony

Linda Harmony - January 25, 2017 at 10:40 AM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Carolyn J. Suerdieck.



January 25, 2017 at 10:30 AM



“ Chris. Jacki notified me this morning about Carolyn. I was so sorry to hear about your loss. I wish now I had tried harder to come by this summer when I was down for the reunion. Our prayers are with you and your family. Steve Moulton

Steve Moulton - January 25, 2017 at 10:12 AM



“ What a lovely, talented, kind lady! This is a loss to family and community! Our deepest sympathy!
Love and hugs, Art and Karen Willaredt

karen willaredt - January 25, 2017 at 07:38 AM



“ Thinking of you Chris and your family during this difficult time. May your wonderful memories sustain you during this difficult time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Darrell and Billie Jean Seaman

Billie Jean Carter Seaman - January 25, 2017 at 06:28 AM

DL

“ *Dorothy Horn Lowe lit a candle in memory of Carolyn J. Suerdieck*



Dorothy Horn Lowe - January 24, 2017 at 06:44 PM

PR

“ *Carolyn and I were young mother's together 41 years ago. We lived in the same neighborhood, traded kids, talked on the phone, and went to the beach with Shelly Hunt and her kids. We built a strong, lasting friendship. Lately I would take muffins from Common Grounds and we would visit about everything. She never whined or complained. We shared our ups and downs and how thankful we were for our families and friends. She was special to so many people and all of them have suffered a big loss. May we all try to live as she did, being a positive force even though she was suffering. I send my love and condolences to Chris, Bryan and Beth.*
Peggy Ropiequet

Peggy Ropiequet - January 24, 2017 at 06:30 PM