



Carolyn Sullivan

February 27, 1959 - February 10, 2018

Carolyn Delois Sullivan, age 58, of Dayton passed away Saturday, February 10, 2018 at her home. Carolyn was born February 27, 1959 in Sunnyvale, California and had lived in Dayton since 1978. She was preceded in death by her biological mother, Rosie (Nye) Elser, her son, Jeremy M. Westlake, daughter-in-law Lorinda Elser, and sister, Sandy Elser.

Carolyn was a homemaker, wedding planner and interior decorator. She was active in the Daughters of the Revolution, Girl Scouts & Boy Scouts, homeless shelter and

Secret Santa at Headstart. She attended the North Dayton Church of God.

She is survived by her husband, Jesse O. Sullivan, Sr. of Dayton, her parents, Lewis and Cindy Elser of Evensville; sons, Curtis M. Elser, Jesse O. Sullivan, Jr. and Jay W. Sullivan, all of Brayton Mountain; daughters, Melissa Dawn Sullivan-Sizemore and Bridget (Jason) Cox, both of Dayton, and Dorine Westlake of Michigan; god-daughters, Chiquita Powell of Charleston, TN, Jenna (Adam) Wilson of Dayton, Amber (Gary) Keylon of Graysville Mountain and Alicia (Jason) Tankersley of Dayton; sisters, Catherine (Dig) Glanden of Graysville, Barbara Atkinson of California and Valerie (Dudley) Waddle, both of California and Bonnie Elser of Evensville; brothers, Lewis (Cathy) Elser of Middle Valley and Roy Elser of Dayton; 13 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, several nieces & nephews and life-long friends, Shelly &

Freddy Nelson, Deborah Poe, Ray Morton and Albert Martin.

Funeral services for Carolyn will be held Wednesday, February 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Pastor James Smith officiating. She will be laid to rest in Brayton Cemetery on Thursday, February 15 at 11:00 a.m.

Please share your memories of Carolyn on her online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being cared for by the Vanderwall Funeral Home where they will receive friends Wednesday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Tribute Wall



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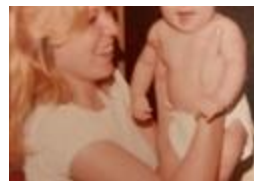


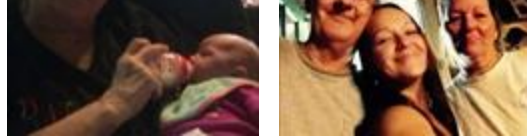
Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc. - October 17, 2023 at 11:17 AM

Dori
Will
Keesee

“ I had no idea this was here... I can't believe u have been gone for over a year! I don't know how 2 go on without u momma! I am completely surprised I have made it this long. I keep waitin 4 this 2 get a lil better or 4 me 2 feel a lil better, but time heals nothing. I miss u more 2 day than I did the day u died! I am so sorry I didn't realize how many places in my life u were... my mother, best friend, protected, biggest fan, warden, police, teacher... simply u were just about everything 2 me! God I miss u Momma. When I think about how permanent death is I can feel the pain rise up in my chest & sometimes it's hard 2 breathe. How am I supposed 2 keep going like this Mom? Idk how long I can! I keep trying every day I'm trying... I'm still here, but that's about all I can say.

I missed u at my wedding Momma! U were supposed 2 help me with all the plans & there were so many things u already had planned. When I think about the facts that U were the only person that had always wanted me 2 get married & had always believed I would, I had always thought u were crazy 4 thinking that, that was until I got married! We were supposed 2 plan & decorate & do everything u had always wanted 2 do 4 a wedding! It was gonna b ur big day 2, but u didn't make it! The 1 person who believed it would happen was only there in spirit. Momma I need u so much! I can't do this without u! I still hear u in the back of my head & know what u would tell me at times but it ain't the same... I need u, every day in every way. But I wouldn't bring u back 4for 1 second if I could... u earned & deserve more than anyone I've known ur peace. I do know u r at peace & outta pain & with ur baby! I never got mad or upset with Jeremy 4 leaving us, I understood & I was sad about him feeling how he felt & ok with how he chose 2 fix it. But he hurt u that bothers me... but it's not my place... I love u both! Pls stay with me & help me feel u around me!





Dori Will Keesee - April 18, 2019 at 02:39 AM

AK

“ *Its hard to Believe you been gone for two months already. You are missed everyday by so many. We love you and can't wait to the day we are reunited. Love you Momma Carolyn*

Amber Keylon - April 12, 2018 at 03:41 PM

VR

“ *Jesse and family. So sorry to learn about your loss. She was an exceptional lady and I thought the world of her. I know you are missing her and will for some time. I will keep you all in my prayers. Love to all*

Vickey Revis - February 18, 2018 at 10:26 AM

TO

“ *Carolyn was always a great mother and always treated us all like her own. RIP you always was a beautiful angel.*

toni - February 14, 2018 at 07:49 AM

SF

“ *Stanley Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sullivan*



Stanley Faulkner - February 13, 2018 at 07:08 PM

CH

“ I am just in shock. I remember having Carolyn do the flowers for my wedding in 1994. She and Jesse did such a wonderful job with them - and with decorating the church. Such a precious lady. Momma and I visited in their home and we even got to be at church when they came to share Jesse's testimony. I am just so sorry for your loss. We will be praying for you all that God's comforting arms will enwrap you. Sincerely, Conda Oestreich Hysell and my mother - Alene Brewer Smith

Conda Hysell - February 13, 2018 at 09:19 AM

AK

“ Love u momma and miss u like crazy. I have so many amazing memories with you i wouldnt know where to start.



Amber Keylon - February 12, 2018 at 09:26 PM

DH

“ Donna Hacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Carolyn Sullivan



Donna Hacker - February 12, 2018 at 07:52 PM

LG

“ *Linda Gurko lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sullivan*



linda gurko - February 12, 2018 at 05:04 PM

AD

“ *Amber Dugger lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sullivan*



Amber Dugger - February 12, 2018 at 03:45 PM