



## Carolyn Jane Carlson

November 5, 1938 - July 16, 2025

Carolyn Jane Carlson, age 86 of Antrim, passed away Wednesday July 16, 2025 at Riverside Manor in Newcomerstown, OH.

She was born in Perrysburg, Ohio on November 5, 1938, a daughter of the late Marion Lawrence "Bud" Strayer and Virginia Ruth (Adams) Strayer.

Carolyn was a 1956 graduate of Anthony Wayne High School, after high school she worked as a law office secretary and became an LPN working in Denver, Colorado. On March 11, 1961 Carolyn married Cecil Roy Carlson.

Following their marriage in 1961, Carolyn and Cecil moved around the world with the help of the US Department of Army, living in various places, including Michigan, Florida, Japan, and Northern Virginia. While living in Northern Virginia, Carolyn was a school bus (Fairfax Christian School Bus Number 44) driver for around 10 years and a Mary Kay consultant for over 40 years. She was also a proud member of the Daughters of American Revolution and was a foster mom.

Carolyn and Cecil loved to travel around the country together with their Airstream, with the Wally Byam Club and attended the many sporting events of her children. Following retirement Carolyn and Cecil returned to their roots in Ohio and operated a beef cattle farm.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Cecil Roy Carlson, three children, John Carlson, Jennifer Lewis and James (& Gina) Carlson; grandchildren, Zach (& Krystal), Hannah, Sully (& Jenna), Cody (& Madie), Griffin, Dakota; great grandchildren, Audrey, Ben, Claire, Oliver, Jenna, Dexter, Sabrina;

sister-in-laws Martha Strayer and Norma Strayer; numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her parents; an infant sister Marilyn, two brothers, William A. Strayer, Fred A. Strayer and granddaughter Laura.

Visitation will be at Bundy-Law Funeral Home Friday from 6 to 8 pm. A Private Graveside service will be held with Pastor Jason Dittus officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation (T2T.org.) or The Christian Broadcasting Network (CBN.com).

An on-line guest-book may be signed at [www.bundy-Law Funeral Home.com](http://www.bundy-Law Funeral Home.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Antrim Community Cemetery

Antrim, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bundy-Law Funeral Home  
120 North 11th Street  
Cambridge, OH 43725  
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## Private Services

JUL 19 (ET)

Antrim Community Cemetery  
Antrim, OH

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family; I had the astonishing good fortune of attending the new Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, Ohio, with Carolyn. As a country boy and underclassman, she showed that she cared about farm animals and crop raising just like we did. She knew our vocabulary, she knew the fortunes of nature, and she knew the uncertainties of growing up in farm life. Because of these understandings, she was elected Future Farmers of America Sweetheart of the Year in 1956!

*In addition, she is remembered in class as, "Pretty eyes, pep, and friendliness." She served in the Antonians Drama Club, Marching Generals Band, the Girls Athletic Association, the school newsletter Dispatch staff, the Spanish Club, and served her class as an officer.*

*It was an honor and a privilege to be with her in high school. She reminded me of Melanie Hamilton Wilkes in Margaret Mitchell's classic story, "Gone With The Wind." We boys called her swell. Today, they would call her awesome!*

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Michael M. Elling, Sharon, Tennessee - July 21, 2025 at 12:22 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jane Carlson.



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July 17, 2025 at 11:11 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Jane Carlson.

July 17, 2025 at 11:11 AM



“ We were so sorry to hear of Carolyn's passing. Our deepest condolences to the entire Carlson family.

*After introducing Carolyn and Cecil many years ago we have remained close lifelong friends. Over those many years we've shared many enjoyable and memorable times with Carolyn and her family. She was a friendly, caring person and will be lovingly remembered.*

*Willyann and George Thielhorn*

George Thielhorn - July 17, 2025 at 10:02 AM



“ Such a sweet lady. I'm so glad I had the honor of meeting her. I loved listening to her stories about traveling.



Chastidy Wood - July 16, 2025 at 08:28 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jane Carlson.



July 16, 2025 at 06:10 PM