

## **Carol Guttu – AD 1973 Cosmetic Science, BS 1978 Pharmacy**

Carol Ann Guttu, age 68, of Janesville, WI was called peacefully into the loving arms of our Heavenly Father surrounded by her family on March 30, 2022, after living with cancer for 9 years. Carol was born in Rushville, NE to Richard and Eval Roberts on May 2, 1953. When Carol was 5, the family moved to Dickinson, ND where she graduated from high school in 1971, and then went on to attend NDSU where she earned an Associate's Degree in Cosmetic Science in 1973, and a Bachelor of Pharmacy in 1978. While attending NDSU she met Michael E. Guttu and they were married December 30, 1978, in Pembina, ND where she was warmly welcomed into the Guttu family as a beloved daughter and sister. Shortly after graduating, Carol and Mike move to Rockford, IL where they celebrated the birth of their sons George and Mark. Carol completed the Illinois State Board Pharmacy exam, received her license, and spent the next 35 years working throughout the Rockford area as a Pharmacist and Pharmacy Manager until her retirement in 2014. Carol cared deeply for their patients, sharing her knowledge and expertise in the proper use of their medications, advising on possible side effects and harmful interactions. Along with administering immunizations, she always provided valuable information for her patients to assist them with their overall health questions and concerns.

Carol was blessed with many artistic talents and enjoyed creating beautiful stain-glass pieces, detailed needlepoint pillows, and after her retirement was finally able to devote more time to her love of painting. Although Carol only considered herself to be an amateur artist, her talent and love of painting continues to be admired by many.

Carol and Mike had a passion for travel and loved touring the United States in their RVs, cruising the high seas, and flying around the world to experience other cultures, languages, food, breathtaking scenery, and create not only memories but lifelong friendships along the way.

Carol was a faithful and active member of St. Rita Catholic Church in Rockford where she served as a Eucharistic minister and a member of St. Vincent de Paul Society. Carol felt blessed to be able to travel the world and attend Mass at so many beautiful churches.

Carol is lovingly remembered by her husband, Mike of 43 years; sons, George of Rockford, IL and Mark (Melanie) of Janesville, WI; and granddaughter, Margot, who was the "light of her life." She is further survived by a sister, Patricia (Vern) Hook; a brother, Todd Roberts; and the Guttu family: Michelle (Michael) Schumacher, Jeffery (Cathy) Guttu, James (Jennifer) Guttu, Connie (Linn) Hodgson, Marcia (David) Wilkie, and many beloved nieces and nephews. Carol was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Eval Roberts; and mother and father-in-law, Lorraine and George Guttu.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at ST. JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC CHURCH with Very Rev. Paul Ugo Arinze officiating. A visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the time of Mass on Wednesday, at the CHURCH. SCHNEIDER FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY is assisting the family. For online condolences and guestbook, please visit: [www.schneiderfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.schneiderfuneraldirectors.com).

The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the Special Angels of Mercy Hospice for their loving care given to Carol. To Amy, Wendy, Melissa, Sarah, Lisa, Jessica, Ashley, Caryn, and Gordon~ your compassion and kindness will never be forgotten.