



Carole Stanley

June 16, 1929 - January 28, 2021

Carole Nicholas Barnes Stanley, age 91, of Topeka, Kansas, passed away Thursday, January 28, 2021, surrounded by her family.

She was born June 16, 1929, in Atchison, Kansas, the daughter of Thomas L. “Cappy” and Mabel Andrews Nicholas. They moved to the family farm in Havensville, Kansas when Carole was two. The family attended Bucks Grove United Methodist Church. Carole attended English Ridge and Rock Elementary, graduating from Havensville High School as salutatorian in 1942.

She attended Kansas City Secretarial School and married Raymond “Chuck” Barnes in 1948. They lived in Topeka and had a son, Stephen R. Barnes. They later divorced. Carole married Howard W. Stanley in 1955; they were married for sixty-two years until his death in 2017.

Professionally, Carole worked for Trans World Airlines, King Travel Service, Whelans Lumber Company, and twenty-six years with Mary Kay Cosmetics. She achieved the position of Senior Sales Director. She was a member of the American Business Women’s Association, Mid-Day Chapter.

Carole was a 65-year member of Topeka Bible Church and taught children's Sunday School class for many years.

She is preceded in death by both parents, her husband, Howard, and sister, Valerie Ingenthron of Topeka.

Carole is survived by her children, Steve (Laurie) Barnes, Overland Park, Doug (Melinda) Stanley and Mary Roy (Charles Banks) of Topeka. She is also survived by brothers, John C. Nicholas, Wichita and Truman (Beverly) Nicholas, Topeka. Carole Stanley adored her seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews who lovingly call her "Aunty Kay".

Visitation is Thursday, February 4th from 5-7 pm, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd. Topeka KS 66614.

Funeral services are scheduled for Friday, February 5th, 10 a.m. at Topeka Bible Church, Mulvane Auditorium, 1101 SW Mulvane Ave.

Due to the pandemic, masks and social distancing are required at both events.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Topeka Bible Church, Children's Department, 1135 SW College Avenue, Topeka, KS., 66604.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Funeral Service

FEB 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Topeka Bible Church
1101 SW Mulvane Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ *Carole Stanley*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *CAROLE and Howard were both long time friends. She also introduced me to Mary KAY Cosmetics. Over the years we often saw them at the annual Havensville class reunion as well as police department retiree functions. She had a million dollar smile and matching personality. Outgoing to Howard's quieter personality. They both are missed*❤❤

judy whisler - February 01, 2021 at 03:31 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Carol was a good friend and neighbor to us on James Street. We will miss her.*

*Love,
Diane Raymer
Gary, Marcia and Chelsie Weckbaugh*

Chelsie Weckbaugh - January 31, 2021 at 03:53 PM



“ *Mary and Doug: So sorry for your mother's passing. Great memories when you lived on Burlingame. She was a great mother! She was a lovely person. I hope you keep great memories. Thinking of you both and your families at this time.*

Sue Myzer - January 31, 2021 at 11:27 AM

DK

“ I'm sorry to learn of Carole's passing. She was my Mary Kay rep for many years, until I moved to Holton in 2008. She was always so kind and accommodating, and I always enjoyed visiting with her when she delivered my orders.

Debbie Schumaker, Holton KS - January 30, 2021 at 04:31 PM

L.

Truman: Sorry to read of the passing your sister. Barb & L. D.

L.D.Fletcher - January 31, 2021 at 11:18 AM

DD

Mary and families- so sorry to hear of your moms passing. I remember her stopping by the ED back in the day. She was a beautiful lady and always so pleasant. Prayers for you all at this time. Deb D'Orvilliers

Deb D'Orvilliers - February 01, 2021 at 02:38 PM

BW

Family of Auntie Kay, we are sorry about your loss. You do have our condolences.

Randol and Bonnie Walker

Bonnie and Randol Walker - February 04, 2021 at 03:18 PM

WM

Carole was a one-of-a kind friend. We travelled together with Mary Kay, laughed together and she will truly be missed. Mary Kay Cosmetics was lucky to have her for 26 years. I was lucky to call her my friend!

Wanda Metzger - February 05, 2021 at 09:17 AM