



Carolyn Sue Belcher

February 6, 1946 - April 22, 2024

Carolyn Sue Belcher, an active member of the Lakeland community and a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother died on April 22, 2024 with loved ones by her side. She was born on February 6, 1946 to George and Margaret Siegel in Chicago, Illinois.

She received a Dental Hygiene degree and B.S. from Loyola University and a Masters in Dental Hygiene Education from the University of Kansas.

In the book stacks of the University of Kansas library, she met her future husband, James Belcher and after graduation, the two were married and off to sunny Lakeland, Florida to begin their lives together for the next 47 years.

Carolyn taught Dental Assisting and Hygiene at Valencia College in Orlando and Travis Technical College in Lakeland, Florida. While working at Travis, she was a driving force in accrediting the program with the American Dental Association.

In October of 1977, she gave birth to Christopher James Belcher and in January of 1980 to Jennifer Ellen Belcher. She was a loving and dedicated mother who volunteered as Parent-Teacher Association president, room mother and fund raiser for Carlton Palmore Elementary and Lawton Chiles Middle School.

Carolyn quickly warmed a room with her charisma, energy, and contagious laughter. She loved life and lived each day to its fullest. She cherished family, friends, exercise, golf, and games.

In Lakeland, she was an engaged member of Women's Grasslands Golf Association and led as president for three terms. In the summers, she loved Mountain Air in Burnsville, North Carolina where she spent time golfing, cooking, hiking, and spending time with her granddaughters.

She was a devout Roman Catholic and a member of Resurrection Catholic Church.

Carolyn is survived by her husband, James, her son, Christopher (Gina), her daughter, Jennifer Maxon (Stephen) and her granddaughters, Madeline and Parker.

A funeral will be held in Carolyn's honor on May 4, 2024 at 11:30 am at Resurrection Church. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Byrd Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute Fund #250148 - USF Foundation, 4202 E. Fowler Ave., ALC 100, Tampa, FL 33620.

Cemetery Details

Serenity Gardens

3350 Mall Hill Dr
Lakeland, FL 33809
(863) 853-5959

Previous Events

Mass of the Ressurrection

MAY 4. 11:30 AM (ET)

Resurrection Catholic Church
333 Terrace Way
Lakeland, FL

Tribute Wall

CS

“ Carol S. purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Carolyn Sue Belcher.



Carol S. - April 29, 2024 at 06:23 PM

CS

“ Carol S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Sue Belcher.

Carol S. - April 29, 2024 at 06:23 PM



“ Carolyn was always so welcoming to me as a new member at Mountain Air. Her sense of humor tickled me. Carol Schult

Carol Schult - April 29, 2024 at 06:17 PM

FC

“ First Wives Luncheon Club purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Carolyn Sue Belcher.



First Wives Luncheon Club - April 29, 2024 at 08:26 AM

FC

“ *First Wives Luncheon Club planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Sue Belcher.*

First Wives Luncheon Club - April 29, 2024 at 08:26 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Sue Belcher.*



April 27, 2024 at 05:29 PM

DF

“ *Debbie Cate & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carolyn Sue Belcher.*



Debbie Cate & Family - April 27, 2024 at 01:05 PM

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“ *Debbie Cate & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Sue Belcher.*

Debbie Cate & Family - April 27, 2024 at 01:05 PM

MB

“ I remember meeting Carolyn in 1984 at the Yacht Club pool! We enjoyed dinner clubs together. Grasslands Golf reconnected us these passed 20 years. I will always remember Carolyn's mischievous smile and laughter. She was a joy and will be missed.

Maureen Browne - April 27, 2024 at 11:21 AM

LW

“ I have only been in Grasslands for three years, but first met Carolyn as my partner in the Solheim tournament. She welcomed me into the GWGA with warmth and charm. Her infectious smile and quick wit will be missed.

Lynn Widrick - April 27, 2024 at 08:18 AM

BS

Besides having a wonderful smile, Carolyn had the best sense of humor. She always made me laugh and was so much fun. I, along with so many others, will truly miss her.

Barbara Shiller - April 28, 2024 at 11:31 AM