

Carole Joy Hammond was born on December 14, 1944 to Wellington and Joyce (Anderson) Hiller in Braham, MN. She grew up in South Minneapolis until junior high when her family moved to St. Louis Park. Carole attended and graduated from St. Louis Park High School in 1962 and continued her education at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. During her schooling she worked as a buyer for Donaldson's in downtown Minneapolis. On September 25, 1965, Carole was united in marriage to Michael Hammond. The couple moved to Edina, where Carole worked for Conner Company. Over the next few years, the couple lived in Rochester, Minnetonka and Eagan where Carole was a stay-at-home mom. While spending time at home with her boys, Carole also enjoyed volunteering at the boy's schools and teaching Sunday school at Peace Church. In 1977 the family bought a cabin on Lake Carlos where they spent many summers. During this time, Carole also worked for Burnett Title Company as an abstractor. In 1998 Mike and Carole built their dream home on Lake Carlos. She continued her abstracting work at Alexandria Title for 9 years before retiring.

Carole enjoyed spending her time gardening, hosting friends and family at her home, playing pickleball, vacationing in Marco Island, FL, and watching the wildlife in her backyard. Carole's most treasured memories are those spent with her husband Mike, sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and grand dogs. Carole was a very special person and will be dearly missed by her family and friends.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

In Memory of
**Carole Joy
Hammond**

December 14, 1944 †
October 5, 2021



Memorial Service
Anderson Funeral Home Chapel
Alexandria, Minnesota
Saturday, October 16, 2021
2:00 PM

Officiant
Craig Dahl

Special Music
“Sissy” by Alan Jackson
“I’ll Carry You Home” by Trisha Yearwood
“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”