



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We have deep gratitude for those who are here to celebrate Sue's life. Your support has and will continue to sustain us. We wish to specifically thank those who helped care for Sue the past few years, including family and friends who visited, sent cards and reached out to let us know they were thinking of her.

We would like to especially thank all of Sue's caretakers over the years.



Footprints In The Sand

*One night I dreamed I was walking
along the beach with the Lord,
many scenes from my life flashed across the sky.*

*In each scene I noticed footprints in the sand.
Sometimes there were two sets of footprints.*

*Other times there was only one.
This bothered me because I noticed during
the low periods of my life when I was
suffering from anguish, sorrow or defeat,
I could see only one set of footprints.*

*So I said to the Lord, "You promised me, Lord,
that if I followed you, you would walk with me
always. But I noticed during the most trying periods
of my life there has only been one set of prints in the
sand. Why, when I needed you most,
have you not been there for me?"*

*The Lord replied, "The times when you have
seen only one set of footprints
it was then that I carried you."*



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A Celebration of Life for
MARY SUE CAREY
October 8, 1932 - December 23, 2023



Thursday, January 4, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Quinn Shalz Funeral Home
Jacksonville Beach, Florida

Chaplain Rick Powell Presiding

OBITUARY

Mary Sue Carey, 91, of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away peacefully on December 23, 2023. She was born on October 8, 1932, in Monterey, TN, to Grace and Charles Toney. Mary Sue leaves behind a legacy of love and is survived by her husband, John Carey, her five children and their spouses: Dr. Thomas Anthony Russell and Gina Russell, Terri Mills and Scott Mills, Dr. Tammy Maharrey and Timothy Maharrey, John Carey, Jr and Jennifer Carey, Laura Carey Smith, and Jamie Smith.

In addition to her husband and children, Mary Sue is remembered by her grandchildren: Keith Russell, Kathryn Russell, Kate Shelton, James Shelton, Jennifer Saxton, Grady Saxton, Nick Geeslin, Caitlin Geeslin, Robert Lipe, Jessica Lipe, Christian Byars, Hunter Byars, Austin Powell, Robby Mills, Nicki Mills, Macy Slabicki, Van Slabicki, Cassidy Carey, Camryn Carey, and Jace Carey. She is also survived by several great-grandchildren, including Livie Geeslin, Lennon Geeslin, Piper Geeslin, Thea Lipe, Peyton Lipe, Henry Russell, Sarah Russell, Jordyn Shelton, Gavin Saxton, Gabe Saxton, Zach Mills, Cheyenne Mills, and Damein Shaw.

Mary Sue Carey led a life filled with love, compassion, and joy. Known for her qualities, including being an active church member at Terry Parker Baptist Church, she participated wholeheartedly in church Bible studies, Wednesday night services, the church library, and gardening. She also shared her passion for gardening, cultivating beauty and serenity in the natural world. Her green thumb brought joy to her surroundings, and her love for gardening was a testament to her nurturing spirit.

A loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, Mary Sue created a home filled with laughter, stories, and love. Her sense of humor, kindness, and wisdom will be deeply missed, but the memories of the moments shared will forever be cherished by those who knew her.

"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near; still loved, still missed, and very dear."



Opening Song....."How Great Thou Art"
by Chris Rice

Welcome.....*Chaplain Rick Powell*

Scripture Reading.....Ephesians 4:2-6
Chaplain Rick Powell

Remember.....Video Tribute

Prayer.....The Lord's Prayer
Please stand and pray together

Scripture Reading.....John 14:1-7
Chaplain Rick Powell

Message of Hope.....*Chaplain Rick Powell*

Closing Song....."I Will Rise"
by Chris Tomlin

Benediction.....Numbers 6:25-26
Chaplain Rick Powell

Conclusion of Service

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
forever and ever.

Amen

Matthew 6:9-13

