



Caryl Litzenberger

August 19, 1933 - March 23, 2023

Caryl Litzenberger went home to be with the Lord at the age of 89 on March 23, 2023. Caryl was the loving daughter of Lillian and Seymour Cohn, born on August 19, 1933 in Detroit, Michigan.

Caryl brought joy into a room and was full of sparkle and laughter. Caryl represented kindness, authenticity, integrity and elegance. Caryl lived a full life and shared many wonderful adventures with her late adoring husband, Ray Litzenberger, including fantastic trips to Paris and Mexico City. Caryl and Ray lived in New York City for some years, but returned to Detroit to be close with family in mid-1970's. In her later life, Caryl was fiercely independent and enjoyed the town by attending the symphony, volunteering with veterans, going to church, shopping, and almost nothing would stop her from going to the gym every day to see her many caring friends, who she deary referred to as family, and whom she got together with on the regular basis after their morning workouts. Caryl was loved so dearly and her phone was always ringing with someone on the other end wanting to know how she is doing and if she needed anything – and they would be there in a heartbeat if so.

Caryl was the beloved wife of the late Ray Litzenberger. She was a devoted and loving daughter to the late Lillian and Seymour Cohn, loyal and endearing sister to the late Mervyn Cohn. An amazing and inspirational aunt to Alexandra Cohn and Sasha Cohn. Also, a very special cousin to Jimmy

Gottfurcht and Alan Paul, as well as to a long line of cousins, thanks to her sweet mother Lilly's nine brothers and sisters.

For those of us who are still here, we will see you on the other side in Heaven someday. We miss and love you deeply and dearly. You will forever be in our hearts.

Previous Events

Committal Service

APR 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church
800 Vernier Road
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Tribute Wall

CN

“ I am just learning of the death of Caryl and I am deeply saddened. She was best friends with my mom, Sona, since the second grade. To surviving family members please accept my deepest sympathies.

Christine S. Novak - January 05, 2024 at 03:34 PM

JS

“ Caryl worked for my wife and I at John Casablancas Modeling Center for many years. She was a joy to be around - funny, practical, persuasive, and helpful to many of the models she worked with. I always enjoyed hearing from her and talking about the biz and her life. A truly good, kind and friendly person. I miss her already!
Jack and Bernie Strickland

Jack Strickland - December 27, 2023 at 11:42 AM

ET

“ Caryl was -my workout buddy for many years. I'm sad because I was in Florida when she passed so I just found out. I got suspicious driving past her condo and not seeing the usual flower pots displayed...so unlike her! She was my first Christmas call and my summer lunch date. I hope she passed peacefully and you found a good home for her beloved cat, Miss Torrie.

Elyse Trupiano - May 25, 2023 at 09:58 AM

HG

“ Caryl was a neighbour of my mum's and we became friends and penpals. She was warm, friendly, funny, smart and so stylish. I will miss her kind messages and friendship. Love from London, UK.

Heather Gibson - April 17, 2023 at 02:32 PM

SD

“ I was Carol's cleaning lady/friend we went through highs and lows together I took her out for her birthday she took me out for mine I was there when she adopted her kitty Miss Tori I helped her when she needed transportation to and from the hospital I helped her bring her kitty litter up cuz she couldn't carry it when she fell and hurt herself I was there to help her with the things she couldn't do she was very special I will never forget you rest in peace

Sue Dempsey - April 13, 2023 at 12:35 PM

BR

“ I was working as a Personal Care attendant to a WW2 Vet and there was a knock on the door. It was Caryl. She had brought her Veteran gym friend some bagels and coffee from their favorite bagel shop. It was 2017, at Jack's house, when I first met Caryl . I learned that Caryl lived in Manhattan and found her story interesting. We maintained a friendship (despite our generational difference). I never considered Caryl a senior citizen. I considered her a contemporary. Every so often, we would go for lunch or dinner, discuss the issues of the day, fight over politics, and walk away as friends. Caryl was NOT one to hold grudges. And that was all to the good. Because there were times when our conversations became 'lively'. Thanks for putting up with me Caryl. Thanks for being of forgiving heart toward my (sometimes) 'loud' opinions. (And thanks for recognizing deep down, that I was right more often than you. Smile here from heaven and Rest in Peace).

Brian - April 07, 2023 at 07:49 AM