



## Carolyn Bryan

September 30, 1936 - January 1, 2022

In loving memory of Carol Bryan, age 85, of Shelby Twp. who passed away after a short illness.

Carol was a wonderful Mother, Grandmother, Aunt, Friend, and Confidant. Her sense of humor and adventure were second to none and she lived everyday to the fullest. Carol was truly loved and her impact on the lives of those closest to her are a living testament to her extraordinary life. Carol was a faithful servant to our Lord and an active member of Shepherd's Gate Church.

She will forever be in our hearts and we will miss her quick wit and joy of life. She is survived by her son Larry Bryan (Barb), daughter Joan Lockwood (Dan), grandchildren Kyle Bryan, Bryan Lockwood, Kristen Bryan, and Kim Bryan, sisters Virginia Cook and Gayle Johnson, and numerous nieces and nephews. Carol is predeceased by her husband Frank.

Carol was born in Rome, Georgia and moved to Detroit as a child. She married Frank Bryan Jr. in 1957. They had 49+ wonderful years together and were blessed with two children and four grandchildren before Frank's passing in 2006. Carol was a loving wife and mother and shared a very special and loving relationship with her two children. She loved her weekday lunches with her son, Larry, and her weekend adventures and shopping sprees with her daughter, Joan. Carol deeply loved her children and grandchildren and was very proud of each and every one of them. Her house was filled with photos of

their life's journeys and she was always ready to talk about her kids and grandkids.

Carol worked for the telephone company right out of high school and eventually went to work at Ford Motor Company as a secretary. Her hard work and strong work ethic paid off and she retired from the Ford Romeo Engine Plant as the Salaried Personnel Supervisor. She still maintained her friendships with her Ford friends right up until her passing.

Carol was an avid golfer. She also loved travelling in general, but especially loved travelling with friends to Florida. She even went parasailing at age 79. She regularly attended the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Meadowbrook Theatre events and belonged to several Euchre groups. In her later years she took up water aerobics to stay fit and made several good friends in her "Water Lillies" group.

After joining Shepherd's Gate church in 1988, she became very active within that community and always volunteered to serve whenever she could. Most notably, Carol was a Stephen Minister for six years, went on a mission trip to Israel in 2008, worked as a Welcome Center and Greeter Volunteer, and was part of the Alter Guild. She was also an active member of her house church. Carol forged very strong relationships with her Shepherd's Gate family and she valued each and every one of them.

In addition to her life-long friends, Carol also enjoyed her Lunch Bunch Ladies outings every Tuesday. These ladies met each week at a different locale for food and fellowship.

Carol epitomized the term "A life well-lived". We all loved her and will miss her terribly even though we know she is in a better place with our Lord.

Memorial donations can be made in Carol's memory to Relay for Life of Greater Shelby Township <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/inmemoryofcarolynbryan> or Shepherd's Gate Church ([sgatechurch.org](http://sgatechurch.org)).

# Cemetery Details

## Glen Eden East Cemetery

19810 26 Mile Rd.  
Macomb Twp, MI 48042

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
49150 Schoenherr Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 532-8600  
[shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com](mailto:shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com)

## Instate at Church

JAN 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shepherd's Gate Church  
12400 23 Mile Rd  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 731-4544

## Funeral Service

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JAN 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Shepherd's Gate Church  
12400 23 Mile Rd  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 731-4544

# Tribute Wall



“ *I can't think of a more beautiful and loving person as Carol. We have been in House Church with her for a few years, and have enjoyed the privilege of being her friends and getting to know her. I also enjoyed driving with her to the Winsome Women retreat in Petoskey this past October. She has touched our lives with her encouragements and sweet spirit, and I will miss her terribly.*

*I thank You, Lord, for her presence in my life, and for having her as a dear friend. I know the angels in heaven are rejoicing, and that Carol is safe in your arms...*

*May the comfort of the Lord be with your whole family, in Jesus' name, Amen.*

*Lynn and Tom Zuzanek  
from Shepherd's Gate*

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Lynn and Tom Zuzanek - January 06, 2022 at 03:54 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Bryan.*



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January 06, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carolyn Bryan.*



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January 06, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Carol was such a dear friend of mine and I will miss her so much. We went to Florida for the month of April for the past 12 years and I roomed with Carol to Israel on the Mission trip. It is a sad loss for me but she is now where she always dreamed of being - in Heaven with her Lord and Savior. Ruth*

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**Ruth Thomas** - January 05, 2022 at 02:00 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Carolyn Bryan.*



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January 05, 2022 at 10:41 AM



“ *What a beautiful person. It was such a privilege to know Carol and share many happy time with her. Her warm smile and generous words remain in our heart. Until we meet again in God's wonderful glory Carol will be forever in our memories.*

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**Dave and Brigitte** - January 05, 2022 at 06:53 AM

GG

“ Carolyn brought southern charm to our adult Bible study groups. Her insight into God's Word encouraged and inspired others. Her smile and sweet, gentle spirit will be remembered by many. God called home a beloved lady who will be missed.  
Gaylyne Giliberto

Gaylyne Giliberto - January 05, 2022 at 04:44 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Bryan.



January 04, 2022 at 09:12 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Carolyn Bryan.

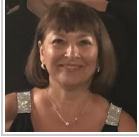


January 04, 2022 at 06:45 PM

SA

“ Carolyn will be truly missed I so enjoyed our outing at Unwind Winery she was a delight to be around and was there for me when my husband passed

Sharron D Allen - January 04, 2022 at 06:24 PM



“ *A dear friend and a wonderful Christian. We served as Stephen Ministers together and she was such a beautiful and fun lady. I will miss her smile and hello each Sunday. May you rest in eternal peace dear Carolyn*  
*Joyce Ellies*

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**Joyce Ellies** - January 04, 2022 at 04:17 PM



“ *Carol, Betsy and I ate lunch together while at Romeo Engine Plant. We continued to have lunch after our retirements right up to our last lunch date October 2021. We had so many laughs together and certainly enjoyed each other's company. I will certainly miss her but I know she is in heaven looking down on us. God bless you Carol.*

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**Andrew Parisi** - January 04, 2022 at 03:11 PM



*We are going to miss Carol greatly. She was a wonderful neighbor and friend. Just loved her style. She was one classy lady. Love and miss you! The Hardy Family*

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**denise hardy** - January 04, 2022 at 03:44 PM



*Carol and I went to see Tony Evans together. Carol, Wanda, Rosemary, Joann, Lois, Marilyn, and I belong to water aerobics Water Lilly's. Three days a week we enjoyed Carol and went to lunch at Big Boys. Her wonderful smile and love of Jesus Christ made her smile brighter. She was classy, Godly, intelligent, and a wonderful friend. R.I.P. Carol  
 God bless her family.  
 Louise Durcharme*

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**Louise Ducharme** - January 04, 2022 at 04:34 PM

SS

*I am so sad for that Carol's life is over. She was a wonderful friend and every time I seen her was happy with a loving smile and I will miss her terribly. She was a one of a kind women, she loved the Lord with all of her life. She is with the Lord.*

Sue Stewart

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**Sue Stewart** - January 04, 2022 at 10:52 PM

GP

*So sorry, she was a first cousin to my Mother, Georgie Lambert Vansant, of Douglasville, Ga., they kept in touch until my Mom's passing, sending prayers the family*

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**Geneva Payne** - January 05, 2022 at 09:19 AM

ER

*We will miss Carol so much! She was a wonderful neighbor and very good friend to Ed and I. Our deepest sympathies go out to the family and all her friends.*

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**Ed and Gay Rapin** - January 05, 2022 at 09:51 AM

RC

*Carol and I worked together at Romeo Engine and we kept in touch throughout the years. She was a wonderful, classy lady and I am so thankful to have known her. I will miss her. My deepest sympathies to her family.*

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**Rosalind Cox** - January 27, 2022 at 10:11 PM