



## Carolyn Ringhouse

February 18, 1937 - October 31, 2024

Carolyn Ringhouse, 87, of Easton passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 31, 2024, at 9:05 p.m. at her daughter's home in Groveland, Illinois. She was born in Danville, Illinois on February 18, 1937, to Homer "Bud" and Mary (Cooke) Morris. She married Robert Ringhouse on August 20, 1960 at St. Mary's Church in Canton.

Carolyn is survived by her children: Mark (Betty) Ringhouse of Maple Park, Illinois, Lori (Jim) Sorg of Dallas, Texas, Todd (Corinne) Ringhouse of New Braunfels, Texas, and Lisa (Gary) Affolter of Groveland, Illinois. She is also survived by her four grandchildren: Zach, Tyler, Ryan, and A.J., and two great-grandsons Brayden and Brooks. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Robert, and sister, Christina.

Carolyn graduated from St. Francis Nursing School in Peoria. She worked as a registered nurse at Mason District Hospital and Havana Medical Center for many years while raising children on the family farm. Her passion and talent for cooking were passed on to her children. She loved spending time with her kids and grandkids.

Carolyn was a member of the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Havana where she was actively involved throughout her life.

Carolyn was an incredible mother and friend to many. She was quick with a keen sense of humor; her laughter was loud and infectious especially among

friends on family fishing trips. Carolyn enjoyed painting/crafting and gardening. Family and friends were blessed with many of her creations. She will be missed by all and leaves behind a wonderful legacy of love, laughter and a life well-lived.

Funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 11am at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Manito with Fr Jeff Horton officiating. Visitation will be held 9:30-11:00 am prior to the funeral services. Interment will follow at the Easton Cemetery.

Memorial donations can be left in Carolyn's name to the Tazewell County Children's Advocacy Center. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com). Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of the arrangements.

Carolyn's family would like to thank Traditions Hospice and all our home healthcare staff that helped with her care the last few years but especially Stella Strubhar for the extraordinary care she provided.

# Cemetery Details

## Easton Cemetery

Easton, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 6. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
501 S. Adams St.  
Manito, IL 61546

## Funeral Mass

NOV 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
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Manito, IL 61546

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ My heartfelt sympathy to Carolyn family! I worked with your mother at medical clinic in. havana for several years, She was an excellent co-worker and friend. Claudia Schenk

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**claudia schenk** - November 09, 2024 at 11:12 AM

MB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I first met her at church. I was attracted by her laugh. I also worked at the old medical building, so I would go through the office just to watch she and Jaque interacting. They were so funny together. She will be missed by many. God bless your sweet soul. RIP.

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**Mary (Fletcher) Bares** - November 05, 2024 at 03:41 PM

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“ In honor of my parents who knew Carolyn and Bob. I remember my mom had her for a maturity nurse when she had my youngest brother and they would joke and laugh about almost everything everytime they were in the room together. My sincerest sympathies to the families.



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**PATRICIA GILBREATH** - November 05, 2024 at 10:28 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.



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November 05, 2024 at 05:51 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

November 05, 2024 at 05:51 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

November 05, 2024 at 01:47 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.



November 05, 2024 at 01:47 AM



“ Penny Roch lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ringhouse



**Penny Roch** - November 05, 2024 at 01:42 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.*



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November 04, 2024 at 11:24 PM



“ *Yes, Carolyn lived a life well-lived and well-loved! Her pic is exactly as I remember her...joy-filled, friendly, and full of grace! My memories of babysitting the Ringhouse 4 were some of my best memories, but also my worst disaster, which made for great stories! Carolyn and Bob trusted me with all 4 young children! I would sit in the chair and each of the 4 took a part of my head to comb and style my hair. I knew where all 4 were! Another time with the 4 brushing their teeth before bedtime, they turned the faucet on too much; we couldn't get it shut off! So I gave each child a pan and they took water from the sink to the tub while I called my dad (Delbert Frye) to come help! Needless to say water was everywhere, including the master bedroom adjacent to the bathroom which was slightly downhill! Bedsprad and rugs were all wet. The kids all had to put on dry pj's, and the bathtub was filled with wet towels when Bob and Carolyn got home. It was no big deal to them, but that is one of my most memorable life moments to this day! Dad had to go down the basement to shut off the water, but I now know where to look for water shut-offs! Blessings to your family as you share loving memories of Carolyn! She had the best laugh and I bet she was an awesome grandma! You 4 dear children; carry on her legacy of faith, love, and laughter.*

*You have my sympathy, a neighbor and babysitter, Janice Frye Kinsinger, now a mom, grandma, and mimi, Morton, IL. (It will be so fun to see her again in heaven!)*

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**Janice Frye Kinsinger** - November 04, 2024 at 08:25 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

November 04, 2024 at 04:56 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.



November 04, 2024 at 04:56 PM



“ Connie McDonald an Ross and Janet Thayer purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.



**Connie McDonald an Ross and Janet Thayer** - November 04, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ Connie McDonald an Ross and Janet Thayer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

**Connie McDonald an Ross and Janet Thayer** - November 04, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

November 04, 2024 at 01:16 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.*



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November 04, 2024 at 01:16 PM



“ *Ringhouse Cousins purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.*



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**Ringhouse Cousins** - November 04, 2024 at 01:05 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.*



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November 04, 2024 at 12:24 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.*

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November 04, 2024 at 12:24 PM

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“ *Patti Specketer lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ringhouse*



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**Patti Specketer** - November 04, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

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November 04, 2024 at 10:51 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.*



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November 04, 2024 at 10:51 AM

DW

“ *Dan and Chris Wilson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ringhouse*



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**Dan and Chris Wilson** - November 04, 2024 at 09:54 AM

LH

“ *Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Carolyn Ringhouse*



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**Larry and Mary Hundt** - November 04, 2024 at 08:23 AM



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



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November 04, 2024 at 07:31 AM

DD

“ *I remember waiting excitedly with all my little cousins to get our first glimpse of Uncle Bob's fiancé, our soon to be Aunt Carolyn. We were blessed with her bubbly warm personality, beautiful smile, kind words and contagious laugh for decades!!! Sending love out to my cousins as they say goodbye to their wonderful mom!!!*

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**Dianna Dark** - November 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *I remember excitedly waiting with all my cousins on Grandma Ringhouse's sunporch for Uncle Bob to pull up with his fiancé, Aunt Caroline! She was a wonderful Aunt. She was a lovely positive light and I we were blessed for decades with kindness, gorgeous smile and contagious laugh!*

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**Dianna Kay** - November 03, 2024 at 11:53 PM

KB

“ Kay and Glenn Barry purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Carolyn Ringhouse.



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**Kay and Glenn Barry** - November 03, 2024 at 03:19 PM

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“ Kay and Glenn Barry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ringhouse.

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**Kay and Glenn Barry** - November 03, 2024 at 03:19 PM

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“ Sorry for your loss ❤️🙏



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**Dan and Chris Wilson** - November 03, 2024 at 02:18 PM