



Mrs. Carolyn Stites Suggs

July 31, 1934 - December 24, 2017

Carolyn Stites Suggs, 83, beloved wife of James Suggs for 63 years, passed away on December 24, 2017.

Carolyn was born in Louisville, KY in 1934, she was the daughter of Carolyn and Frank Stites, MD. She attended Vanderbilt University, where she met her husband James on a blind date. Carolyn and James were married a year and a half later, and had two children, James Suggs, Jr. and Lyn Suggs.

They lived in many different locations as James pursued his career as an engineer. Carolyn rallied for each move, settling in each location and making friends wherever she went. She especially loved their retirement home on Lake Keowee, spending many hours on the porch enjoying the view of the lake. Carolyn loved gardening, artwork, music, volunteer work of many sorts and cooking. She was an excellent cook and enjoyed feeding her family wonderful meals throughout her life.

Carolyn's faith was very important to her and she was a devoted church-goer. She grew up in the Methodist church, but converted to Catholicism later in life. She volunteered at many of the churches she attended, filling a variety of roles. Prior to the move back to South Carolina for retirement, Carolyn was a Eucharistic Minister at Curè of Ars in Leawood, KS.

Carolyn loved animals. She was a devoted “mom” to a variety of cats and dogs throughout her life, and relished having a purring cat on her lap.

Carolyn is survived by her husband: James; children: James Suggs, Jr. (Mary Ann) of Horseheads, NY and Lyn Suggs of South Portland, ME; grandchildren: Laura Suggs of Pensacola, FL, Dana Suggs of Charlotte, NC, Kalie Gottler (Drew) of Buffalo, NY and Zachary Edwards of Albany, NY; great grandchildren: Carter and Kora Gottler of Buffalo, NY; sister: Mary Catherine Stoddard of Louisville, KY; and niece: Louise Keeling of Nashville, TN.

A memorial mass will be conducted at 11:00 AM, Saturday, January 13, 2018, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Walhalla, SC. Internment will follow at Heritage Memorial Gardens in Westminster, SC.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in Carolyn’s name may be made to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 170 Bountyland Rd, Seneca, SC 29672, Catholic Relief Services via support.crs.org, or Salvation Army, P.O. Box 695, Walhalla, SC 29691.

A Godly woman has passed from our lives.

Cemetery Details

Heritage Memorial Gardens

4500 South Highway 11
Westminster, SC 29693

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JAN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
103 West Mauldin Street
Walhalla, SC 29691
(864) 882-8551
<http://www.saintpaulseneca.org/saint-francis-of-assisi/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Carolyn Stites Suggs*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Carolyn Stites Suggs.*



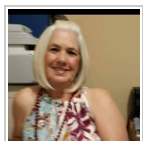
January 12, 2018 at 08:11 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*



Patricia Holcombe - December 29, 2017 at 09:37 PM



“ *Kathy Addis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carolyn Stites Suggs*



Kathy Addis - December 29, 2017 at 06:56 PM

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“ I will always remember Carolyn as a kind and beautiful woman. Our prayers are for you, Carolyn, and for those you leave behind, Eternal Rest grand unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace,Amen. Regina Berkemeier

Regina Berkemeier - December 29, 2017 at 08:23 AM

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“ Lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carolyn Stites Suggs



Susan Duvall Neal - December 28, 2017 at 10:46 PM

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“ My prayers are with your family -- especially Jim. He has been a faithful and loving caregiver to Carolyn for many years.

Rosemary Bailes - December 28, 2017 at 10:28 PM