

Mary L. Carley
March 5, 1928 - August 8, 2020

Mary L Carley, 92, of Watseka passed away on Saturday, August 8th, 2020 at her home. She was born March 5, 1928 in Evanston, IL, to A.J. (Sox) and Dorothy Griffin (Minner) Sodini. She married M. Dale Carley on August 16, 1951 in Streator, IL and he preceded her in death on March 15, 2018. She was also preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Joanne O'Donnell, and 1 niece.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. James A. (Linda) Carley of Pontiac, IL and Steven (Mary E) Carley of Crescent City, IL. 9 Grandchildren: Jamie (Rick) Doubet of Pontiac, IL, Dr. Ryan (Dr. Natalie) Carley of Pontiac, IL, Lindsay (Dr. Nick) Buchheit of Lake St. Louis, MO, Dr. Blake (Dr. Alexandra) Carley of Mequon, WI, Dr. Kelsey (Eric) Davis of Pontiac, IL, Tyler Carley and Tristan Carley of Pontiac, IL, Dillon Carley and Cody Carley of Crescent City, IL. Mary also has 18 great grandchildren.

Mary was a member of St. Edmund Catholic Church in Watseka as well as a longtime member of Shewami Country Club. She was a lifetime member of the Iroquois County Hospital Auxiliary and Iroquois County Historical Society, and also a board member of Iroquois County Republican Women for over 40 years. Mary retired as a bookkeeper of Carley Advertising in 1994.

Mary loved her family and many dear friends. She was grateful for a long and happy life on this beautiful earth and appreciated every day.

A private service will be held at the Knapp Funeral Home in Watseka on Saturday, August 15th. Private burial will be in Flesher Cemetery in Crescent City, IL.

Memorials may be made to Iroquois Memorial Hospice or the Watseka Elks Lodge.

## Cemetery

## **Flesher Cemetery**

Crescent City, IL,

## Comments



**66** Deepest sympathy to the Carley families.

Linda Chouinard - August 24, 2020 at 11:01 PM



66 LInda, I didn't see your comment regarding my Mom until just today when I was looking for one of my friend's Dad's obituary and looked back to view how my Mom's obituary read.

Your thoughts are appreciated and hope all is well with you and your family!

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:40 AM





**66** Steve and family,

Our deepest sympathy to you and your families. We are very sorry for your loss Praying that that she will rest in peace.

Benny & Charlene

Benny & Charlene Skeldon - August 15, 2020 at 09:52 PM



66 Benny & Charlene, I didn't see your comment until just today. Your thoughts and prayers are much appreciated!

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:44 AM



One thing I remember growing up around the Carley family is seen Mary smile every time we would go down to crescent city for the family reunions. And then getting a big hug knowing that you were welcomed and loved. Mary will be missed by all of us but having the memories and having her in my heart is the best gift she gave to to me.

Peter Nitto - August 14, 2020 at 10:19 AM



**66** PJ, many thanks for your thoughts.

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:48 AM



Many memories of your generous and kind hearted Mother encouraging us kids/cousins to jump in the river and have the time of our lives! She was the matriarch of a great family. Her love lives on in all she touched.

Nancy Nitto Onderdonk - August 14, 2020 at 10:09 AM



Nancy, my parents always enjoyed your parents and your whole family. Appreciate your comments.

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:50 AM



Fond memories of Mary as I grew up with Jim and Steve in Crescent City. Peace and comfort to the Carley family.

Connie Bruniga Caldwell - August 13, 2020 at 10:31 PM



**66** Connie, thank you for your thoughts!

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:51 AM



Jack and Nancy O'Donnell purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Mary L. Carley.



Jack and Nancy O'Donnell - August 13, 2020 at 03:14 PM



Sending my heartfelt sympathy to the Carley family. What a happy reunion Mary & Dale must be having. I loved them both and trust they are safely home with JESUS!

Terri Fanning - August 12, 2020 at 07:39 AM



**66** Terri, my parents felt the same about you and appreciate your comments.

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:53 AM



**66** She was a sweetheart and always a pretty lady. Our sympathies!

Gayleen Callahan - August 11, 2020 at 09:56 PM



66 Thank You Gayleen as your thoughts are appreciated!

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:55 AM



Sweet family memories at the Carley's lake "resort".

Mary and Dale always welcoming the extended growing families with caring smiles.

Rest In Peace lovely Mary.

Kenneth and Alicia Anderson - August 11, 2020 at 09:12 PM



Ken & Alicia, had some good times at the Sodini Reunions and appreciate your comments about my Mom! Hope all is well with you and your family.

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:58 AM



Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mary L. Carley.



August 11, 2020 at 09:40 AM



Steve, Mary, Dillon and Cody:
So very saddened to hear of your mother/grandmother's passing. She was quite a
gal! Our deepest sympathies to your entire family. May your memories bring you lots
of smiles in the days to come.

Donnie and Kim Rabe and Family - August 10, 2020 at 02:05 PM



**66** Donnie & Kim, appreciate your thoughts!

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 11:59 AM



Couldn't ask for a better friend. Had so many fun times at Carley Lake and other times playing cards and our Monday lunches, etc. She and Dale worked hard and made the most of life. Mary was so proud of her children and grandchildren - with good reason. We will miss her. Jan (& Gus) Hanson

Janet Hanson - August 10, 2020 at 12:18 PM



**66** Jan, had many good times at the lake and good memories! Appreciate your thoughts and friendship over the years!

Thank You,

Steve Carley

Steve Carley - November 30, 2020 at 12:01 PM