



Carol Mary Counts

August 15, 1951 - September 29, 2011

Caroline Mary (nee Ratajczak) Counts, age 60, of Morocco passed away September 29, 2011 at St. Margaret Mercy Hospital in Dyer, Indiana. Carol was born in Calumet City, Illinois on August 15, 1951, the daughter of the late Eugene and Doreen (nee Thomas) Ratajczak.

Carol lived in Calumet City for 26 years and attended TF North High School where she held several swimming records and served as a officer in the G.A.A.

On June 18, 1986 in Virginia Carol married Patrick Counts who survives. A resident of Morocco for the past 17 years, she had also lived in Dolton, IL for 16 years.

She was employed since 2001 with the North Newton School Corporation and was currently the bus driver for the special needs bus. Carol was a member of the Daughters of the V.F.W.

Surviving with her loving husband Patrick are five children, Jill (Youngs) Josephson of DeMotte, Lance (Karen) Youngs of Rensselaer, Evan Counts of Morocco, Brittany (Matt) Dykstra of San Pierre and Colin Counts of Morocco; five grandchildren, Amber, Tyler, Madison and Aidan Josephson and Ben Dykstra; one sister, Janet Snyder of Dyer, IN, and two brothers, Jeffery Ratajczak of Griffith, IN and Michael Ratajczak of Westville, IN.

In memory of Carol family and friends may send to the family a card including their favorite memory of Carol to aide in the creation of a family memory book.

Tribute Wall

AG

“ Carol and I became friends in High School.
We had many happy times together.



We were always in the kitchen when her mom was baking so we could lick the bowl. One of the benefits off baking is sneaking in a few tastes.

At T. F. North we were P.E. leaders, worked in the dean's office, were swimmers, we also we in G.A.A. Seems like we were always the last one's to leave after swim class. Mrs. Vanderby used to have to drag us out of the pool.

We went on a trip to Vegas that Carol had won from work at the bus line. That was right up are alley - sunshine and swimming pools. Now come on you know that what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas!!

We kept in touch over the years as much as you can with work, kids and family.

Carol, I love you and will miss you so much.
I will never forget you and all the good times we had.
I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Arlene (Nowak) Gamble

Arlene Gamble - October 05, 2011 at 09:29 AM

KG

“ Carol and I were friends since kindergarten. We were both in the same class and many classes throughout our school years. Including Home Ec in grade school. When we were in our youth, we would go over to each others houses. I remember Mrs. Ratajczak making liver sausage sandwiches for us for lunch. They also had a dog named Stomey and he was OK for you to pet him as long as you did not have a glove on. If you had a glove, he would try to tear you hand off.



In High School Carol and I were both on the swim team and officers of G.A.A. We had a lot of fun in High School.

I really enjoyed sitting with her and Pat at the Class Reunions.

Even though we din't keep in touch very much since our school years, I will miss her.

She was a very good friend of mine in school.

God Bless the family.

Kay Gauthier

Kay (Piccirilli) Gauthier - October 04, 2011 at 06:48 PM

ME

“ Mel & Sandy Emerson lit a candle in memory of Carol Mary Counts



Mel & Sandy Emerson - October 03, 2011 at 09:02 PM

JD

“ John & Melissa Dunn lit a candle in memory of Carol Mary Counts



John & Melissa Dunn - October 03, 2011 at 02:43 PM

JL

“ Joan And Tommy Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Carol Mary Counts



Joan and Tommy Lloyd - October 03, 2011 at 11:31 AM

JB

“ Joy Bonic Burgess lit a candle in memory of Carol Mary Counts



Joy Bonic Burgess - October 03, 2011 at 07:21 AM

DH

“ Darlene Hopp lit a candle in memory of Carol Mary Counts



Darlene Hopp - October 03, 2011 at 07:16 AM

TB

“ *Tammy Bottoms lit a candle in memory of Carol Mary Counts*



Tammy Bottoms - September 30, 2011 at 03:29 PM