



## Carol A. Smith

December 5, 1935 - June 25, 2020

Carol Ann Smith, beloved mother, sister, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away on June 25, 2020. Born December 5, 1935 in Jersey City to Lil and “Hunk” Swerzynski, Carol, a self-professed daddy’s girl, grew up in Hoboken where she played basketball, was the first Polish Queen of the San Giacomo club, and fell in love with her husband, Howard. She moved to Hazlet in 1966 with her husband and their four children, Thomas, John, Carolyn, and Donna. Carol worked for many years at Lily Tulip, and later at 3M and Wheelock. After Howard passed away in 1973, Carol continued to work tirelessly, and to lovingly raise her children with the help of her devoted younger sister, Julia Swerzynski.

Carol’s love and generosity were boundless - she opened her heart, home, and refrigerator to everyone. She never missed a birthday, game, performance, party, or event, no matter how big or small. She made the best baked ziti and gravy, gave the greatest hugs, and told a story louder and better than anyone, anywhere.

Carol was the bedrock of her big, crazy family who will miss her more than words could ever say. She is predeceased by her grandson, Brian, and survived and deeply missed by her sister, Julia, her four children and their spouses, Thomas and Karen Smith, John and Patrice Smith, Carolyn and Dean Pease, and Donna and Bill Bathman, by her grandchildren, Thomas and Marykate, John and Brittany, Michael and Carly, and Lindsay and Troy, and

her great-grandchildren, Shane, Connor, Ryan, Logan, and Celia.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Saint Jude Children's Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet

Chaple Hill Rd  
Middletown, NJ

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **29**. 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Laurel Funeral Home  
201 Laurel Avenue  
West Keansburg, NJ 07734

## Funeral Mass

JUN **29**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Ann's RC Church  
311 Carr Avenue  
Keansburg, NJ

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest condolences to Julia and all of Carol’s family. As part of the Flannelly family, I have to say Carol and Julia have always been a big part of our lives. Always lots of laughs when they were around. May she Rest In Peace and continue to watch over her family.

Kathy and Kevin - June 29, 2020 at 08:14 AM

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“ To my dear friend lunch partner and wonderful friend to my daughter Chugga how we will miss you to Julia and all of Carol's wonderful children and family how lucky we all were to have known her Barbara Doug and chugga Silk

Barbara silk - June 29, 2020 at 01:46 AM

MA

“ Jul you and the family are in my prayers, I will always remember the good times we had on our family picnics and bbqs. You had a great sister and I know she will be missed by all.

Love,

Margaret

Margaret - June 28, 2020 at 09:14 PM

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“ Karen and Tom,  
My thoughts are with you and your family at this time. She sounded like a wonderful woman and I'm sure she will be missed.  
Sincerely,  
Wendy McNicholas

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**wendy** - June 28, 2020 at 10:41 AM

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I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of dear Carol. My heart goes out to Julia and all of her family. Carol was always a special lady to be around. She made you feel welcome each time you came to visit. She will be miss by many. God bless all of you at this sad time. Sincerely,  
Debbie Duggan

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**Debbie Duggan** - June 28, 2020 at 03:16 PM

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“ My sincere sympathy to the Smith family and Julia. I always enjoyed my visits to see Carol and Julia. Carol was a lovely lady with a beautiful personality. She loved her family and had such wonderful stories to share. Carol and Julia had such a special bond as sisters and I will always treasure my visits and the laughter we shared.  
Love, Patty Truax

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**Patty Truax** - June 28, 2020 at 09:45 AM