



Carolyn Crawford Koch

June 12, 1936 - March 30, 2019

On March 30th 2019 the world lost a wonderful teacher in Carolyn Crawford Koch. She was born in Twin Falls June 12th 1936 to Oleata and Jacob Crawford. She was the third of six children and grew up on a farm in the Magic Valley.

On December 21st 1952 she married Frank E. Koch. They lived in Las Vegas, Nev. until Frank was honorably discharged. They moved to Pocatello, ID where with meager resources and great will she ran a home with three children Kathy, Karen and Doug and got a degree from Idaho State Univ. in only four years. She then began her journey through the intermountain west teaching English and history, demonstrating the life lessons of compassion and self-sufficiency. After teaching at junior and senior high schools in Pocatello, Salt Lake City and Casper, she helped found and taught at the Salt Lake Lutheran High School.

Carolyn lived a quiet and authentically Christian life. In one instance, she donated her salary back to the school in exchange for the tuition of a student whose single mother could not afford it. She and Frank fostered several children and even sheltered an abused woman and her young daughter.

For 18 years Carolyn and Frank enjoyed spending their summers at their home at Bear Lake, UT. After both of their retirements, they relocated for the

final time to St. George, UT where they became very active members of New Promise Lutheran Church. She especially enjoyed the quilting and bible study groups.

Carolyn was extremely creative her entire life. She painted in oils, sewed, quilted, reupholstered furniture and even sheetrocked rooms, all with her own personal flair.

She battled Parkinsons Disease for the last five years with grace and dignity. She lost that battle surrounded by her loving family but left a legacy of courage, compassion and acceptance. She is survived by her husband Frank, siblings Jeanice Curtis, Beverly Hollibaugh, and Jerry Crawford, children Kathy (Lee), Karen, and Doug, 8 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

The family wishes to thank Zion's Hospice, especially Michele and Mike, for their care and support during Carolyn's final days.

Memorial services to be held Saturday April 20th 11:00 AM
New Promise Lutheran Church
244 South Valley View Dr.
St. George, UT 84770

While Carolyn loved flowers, she preferred donations be made to the ALS Association
1275 K St. NW Suite 250
Washington DC, 20005
www.lougehrig.com

Or The Michael J.Fox Foundation
Donation Processing
P.O. Box 5014

Hagerstown, MD 21741-5014
www.michaeljfox.org

Tribute Wall

PL

“ When Mrs. Koch was my teacher at Granite High School in Salt Lake my name was Pat Dilley. I'm forever grateful for her guidance and support. Because of her, I survived my high school years. She is still the finest teacher I ever knew. Her wisdom and love changed many lives. Thank you for sharing her with us. Her light will continue to shine through us all, the people who were lucky enough to know her.

Pat Dilley aka Lauri Langston - August 05, 2019 at 01:47 AM

TF

“ The Lafreeda Family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Carolyn Crawford Koch.



The Lafreeda Family - April 15, 2019 at 08:40 PM

JH

“ To a very special family our sincere sympathy. We understand the grief. Know we care and our thoughts and prayers go out to you.

With love, Ray Roberts and family

Josie H. - April 15, 2019 at 03:33 PM

RM

“ *Roee, Leeor, Daniel, Yonah, Michal purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Carolyn Crawford Koch.*



Roee, Leeor, Daniel, Yonah, Michal - April 08, 2019 at 01:54 PM

BF

“ *Carolyn was a special lady and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. She did so many special things for the special people in her life. My heart and thoughts grieve with and go out to the Koch family. Brad Fullmer*

Brad Fullmer - April 06, 2019 at 01:54 PM



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



April 05, 2019 at 08:25 AM

RC

“ *My thoughts are with the entire family, especially Frank, during this difficult time. She was a wonderful lady.*

Randy Chilton - April 04, 2019 at 10:01 PM

RY

“ *My deepest condolences to the Koch family! She lived a long and beautiful life!*
May God bless her soul!

Randy Young - April 03, 2019 at 02:58 PM