

Caroline M. Voll, 91, died September 7, 2020 in her home at Peace Village Senior Living Community in Palos Park, IL. Born January 6, 1929 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin to Arthur and Hilda (Buscher) Anderson, Carol grew up in Sheboygan and has carried wonderful memories throughout her life of her times both on the farm outside Sheboygan (now Christopher Farms and Gardens) and in town. After graduating from Central High School in Sheboygan, Carol worked as a Bookkeeper. She met Clifford A. Voll when he was attending Mission House College and Seminary in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Carol began her life of supporting her husband in Christian ministry following their wedding on August 21, 1948. Carol hosted many church meetings in their home and immediately built lifelong relationships with people in the congregation at the first church they served, St. Paul's United Church of Christ (formerly Evangelical and Reformed) in Malone, Wisconsin. In 1955, while caring for 4 small children, Carol organized the family's move to Dolton, Illinois. Carol and Cliff were partners in ministry at Immanuel-Bethel United Church of Christ (UCC) in Dolton for 23 years. Carol's Christian friendships spread across a number of different churches where they served on an interim or part-time basis, including Zion UCC in Dyer, Indiana, St. Mark's UCC in Chicago Heights, St. Phillipus UCC in Chicago, Grace UCC in Chicago, and St. Mark UCC in Burbank.



Carol and Cliff moved to Oak Lawn, Illinois in 1978, where they enjoyed being active members of Pilgrim Faith United Church of Christ. Carol loved helping with the Food Pantry, the PADS program, the Seniors' Group, and Women's Fellowship. In 2008, Carol again organized a big move. She and Cliff moved to an apartment at Peace Village Senior Living Community in Palos Park where she cared for him until he passed in 2011. Peace Memorial United Church of Christ became their new church home. Carol was so excited about moving to Peace Village. She immediately got involved in the resident leadership and welcoming new residents and staff. Some even affectionately called her the "mayor" of Peace Village! Living out her days in the apartment she loved at Peace Village was of utmost importance to her and just days before her death, she continued to express her deep gratitude for the wonderful community. Carol especially loved the young people who were servers in the dining rooms and enjoyed hosting pizza parties for them from time to time. She also loved and appreciated the private caregivers and hosted parties for them as well. Hosting parties for family and friends gave Carol great joy. She glowed with love, joy, and peace when she was giving to others. Carol had a large group of close friends including residents and staff and loved keeping in touch with new and lifelong friends. She served on the Resident Council for many years at and was an ambassador extraordinaire for those considering a move to Peace Village. Her strong faith, deep love for others, and her wonderful smile attracted many people of all ages to her. Carol lived her faith everyday and touched the lives of many people.

Carol loved playing cards; she REALLY loved playing cards! In fact, the evening before her death, although not feeling very well, she wanted to play cards and enjoyed it immensely. For many years Carol was known as the "Coupon Queen", strategically sorting and using coupons so much that she was able to save enough to help with the down payment on their home in Oak Lawn! She was even part of a Coupon Consortium that worked together to shop at stores that tripled the value of coupons! Carol loved learning to use Facebook and it blessed her so much to see the fun her family and friends were having in life. Her favorite comments on Facebook posts were "Fun, Fun, Fun!" and "Love, Love, Love you!". Carol loved her family deeply and looked forward with great excitement to family gatherings, especially when all 6 of her children and their spouses, and many of the grandchildren and great grandchildren could all be together. Those that knew and loved Carol will smile every time they think about her being "silly" and fun. Friends and family will continue to marvel at her incredible memory of details from her life. Everyone who knew her will be inspired by their memories of her gifts of love and compassion for others, her expressions of the deep faith in God that gave her strength, and her overflowing gratitude for the blessings of life. All of these qualities led Carol to donate

her body to Science Care so that health professionals and researchers might learn more and make a difference for other people in the future.

Carol is survived by six children: Linda (Larry) Gunter of St. Joseph, Michigan; John (Margie) Voll of Katy, Texas; Brenda (Gerald) Celmer of Midlothian, Illinois; Mark (Susan) Voll of Bella Vista, Arkansas; David (Janise) Voll of Tiffin, Ohio; and Beth (David) Oppenheim of St. Louis, Missouri. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren; one brother, Elwood Anderson in Baraboo, Wisconsin; in-laws Donald (Cory) Voll in Burnsville, Minnesota, Jerry (Nancy) Voll in Walden, New York, Barbara Voll, in Louisville, Kentucky, and Ethel Voll in Apple Valley, California. Carol was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Clifford A. Voll, her parents, her brother William Anderson, and her grandson, Michael Oppenheim.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held when it is safe for a large group to gather. Per Carol's request, memorials given in her memory to Peace Village, Palos Park Illinois will be greatly appreciated.

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