



Carol Lea Melsha

December 27, 1952 - March 28, 2020

Carol Lea Melsha, age 67, of Alta, IA, formerly of Cedar Rapids, IA, died on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at home surrounded by her loved ones.

A private service for family and friends will be held at a later date in her hometown of Alta, IA.

Carol was born December 27, 1952 to Wendell and Marlys (Kolpin) Ewoldt. Her father was a farmer and her mother was a teacher. She grew up helping her father on her family's Century farm. Carol was baptized and confirmed at St. John Lutheran Church (Hanover, Iowa).

After graduating from Alta High School, Carol attended Iowa State University, where she received her Bachelor of Science degree. During her time at ISU, Carol made many great memories with friends she kept throughout her life.

After graduation, Carol moved to Cedar Rapids, IA and spent over 20 years designing custom cabinetry. She took pride in being a part owner of Custom Cabinets and Millwork. Carol loved helping so many families design their dream homes. After retiring from her first career and taking a few years off to spend time with her children, Carol finished her working years at Mount Mercy University, where she became an important person to many people.

Carol married Kevin Melsha on September 1, 1984. She was blessed with two children: Benjamin John and Kailyn Marie. Carol's love for her children could be seen by all who knew her.

Carol had the kindest heart and a laugh that could fill the room. She will be forever remembered and held in the hearts of her children: Benjamin (Lisa) Melsha, and Kailyn Melsha; husband, Kevin Melsha; father, Wendell Ewoldt; sister, Mary Jane (Gail) Gebers; nephews: Alex (Jann) Murphy, and Kyle (Jen) Murphy; and many other family and friends.

Carol was preceded in death by her mother, Marlys Ewoldt.

Tribute Wall



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Carol Lea Melsha.*



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“ *So sorry to hear of Carol's passing. Carol was a loving parent who worked hard to help make her children's school a special place for all students. She was a can-do PTO leader who was a joy to work with. She brought a sense of fun which made even mundane tasks pleasurable. My sincere sympathy to the family.*

Marilyn Miller

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“ *My sympathy to Carol's family at this difficult time. I had the pleasure of working with Carol at Mount Mercy, where she was well-loved by staff and students. She had so many talents in many areas and was someone whose advice I really valued. She was a real gem--a kind, caring, and positive person who always reached out to others and made them feel included. She will be missed.*

Catharine Cashner - April 01, 2020 at 08:24 PM