



## Carolyn A. Roberts

September 29, 1966 - October 24, 2025

Carolyn Roberts (Cetnarowski), beloved mother, sister, aunt, and devoted animal rescuer, passed away suddenly at home at the young age of 59. Born in Illinois and raised in Detroit, she was the daughter of Thomas Roberts (later married to the late Sandra) and Christine Rankin. She is survived by her children, Theresa (Damon) and William (Julie); her brothers Tom (Rachelle) and Dave (Sue); her sister Amanda (Mark); and her many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and -nephews, all of whom she adored and was incredibly proud of. She was preceded in death by her brother Jimmy (2003).

Family was the heart of Carolyn's world. She loved nothing more than being surrounded by her loved ones, whether it was riling everyone up during game night, floating on the lake with a cold margarita in hand, or simply sitting nearby to soak it all in. Her happiest moments were always the ones spent together.

A fierce animal advocate, she dedicated the last decade of her life to rescue work, feeding and caring for strays, fostering, and ensuring every animal she met knew love. Her loyal dog Daisy Mae and her kitties were her constant companions, and her home was always filled with love and the chaos of paws and purrs, just the way she wanted it.

Quirky, strong-willed, and deeply faithful, she lived by her convictions and found humor in life's messiest moments. She believed in kindness, second chances, and that every creature, human or animal, deserved to be seen and loved.

Carolyn is now reunited with her dad, brother Jimmy, sister-in-law Sadie, and the pets she loved so dearly: Sassy, Benny, Penny, Purrtty, and Purrrscilla. There's no doubt she's sipping Tequila Rose and dancing to Family Tradition. Her family takes comfort knowing she's at peace, surrounded by love and the family members she missed so much.

Carolyn's life was filled with love, laughter, and the occasional inappropriate comment, all rooted in a heart that gave endlessly to bring joy to others. She will be missed beyond measure and remembered always — in butterflies, in dimes, and in every small sign of love she left behind.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her memory to Pet Adoption Alternative of Warren to carry on the rescue work she was so passionate about. Please visit [paawarren.org/donate](http://paawarren.org/donate)

Visitation Wednesday, October 29th from 2 PM until the 7 PM Funeral Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **29**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
westland@vermeulenfh.com

## Funeral Service

OCT **29**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
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# Tribute Wall



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Carolyn A. Roberts.



October 30, 2025 at 10:16 AM



“ My deepest condolences to the Roberts Family. I am so saddened by the passing of Carolyn. She was a lovely person. She will be truly missed. 🥺💔💔💔



Ruth Charlton - October 29, 2025 at 07:42 PM



“ Craig Zackiewicz purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Carolyn A. Roberts.



Craig Zackiewicz - October 29, 2025 at 11:00 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn A. Roberts.*



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October 28, 2025 at 11:16 AM



“ *I am so deeply saddened by this. I surely will miss her smile and talks about animals. She was quick to introduce herself to me when I moved in as her and I shared the same passion for animals while messing around in our yards. we used to call each other the crazy rescue ladies. she will be missed by many. I am so very very sorry for your loss.*

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**Nikkii** - October 28, 2025 at 08:39 AM



“ *She will be miss and my prayers are for her family and and her friends and prayers everyone that knew her.*



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**Michael Colvin** - October 27, 2025 at 11:22 PM



“ *Erin and Michael Emond purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Carolyn A. Roberts.*



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**Erin and Michael Emond** - October 27, 2025 at 09:07 PM



“ *I'm so sad to hear this news. Carolyn was one of the first people I started in rescue with. We worked for over ten years together. She was dedicated to the cause no matter the cost. She will be greatly missed by all.*

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**Vicki Blanchard** - October 27, 2025 at 06:16 PM