



Carol Ann McHugh Cole

November 14, 1936 - May 8, 2016

Bluefield, WV- Carol Ann McHugh Cole passed away on Sunday May 8, 2016 following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Cole was born on November 14, 1936 in Wheeling, WV to the late Charles Albert and Margaret Bickel McHugh.

In addition to her parents, Carol was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Leigh Anne Cole.

Carol spent her early years in Bluefield where she would meet her husband of sixty one years, William Paul Cole, Jr. Carol and Paul lived briefly in New York and Boston before returning to Bluefield to raise their family and build their life together. In addition to devoting herself to raising their three boys, Carol was very active in the local community. She became a REALTOR, operated a coffee delivery service and was a partner in the Ugly Duckling Antique Store. Carol lived her life to the fullest. She traveled the world. She was an accomplished artist who loved art, her gardens, entertaining friends, and decorating her homes. She was an avid golfer, tennis player and runner in her younger years.

Carol loved and was loved by her large and extensive family who will miss her deeply. She is survived by her husband, Paul; sons, Senator William P. Cole, III and Brownie; Charles McHugh Cole and Terri, and Thomas Jacob Cole and Michelle Muncy; her younger sister, Mary McHugh Johnson of Salem, VA; grandchildren, Jason Cole and Jessica, Lee Cole and Laura, Elizabeth Cole, Taylor Cole, Charles Cole and Paige Wilson, William Cole and Christina Cole,

Christian Cole, Cameron Cole, Lee-Anne Greene and Brad, Jacob Cole and Chelsea, Ever Pauley and Brandon, Emma Cole and Carol-Anne Cole; and seven great-grandchildren. The Cole family is also grateful for Dr. Fred Barker, Dr. Phil Peterson, the BRMC CCU nurses, and Dr. Joel Schor and the staff of Hospice Compassus who offered loving hands and comfort to Carol during her illness.

Funeral service will be conducted on Friday May 13, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. from the Mercer Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Wanda Childs, Rev. Gary Moore, Rev. Tom Connelly, and Father Chad Slater officiating. The family will receive friends from noon until the service hour.

Private entombment will be at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton where grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Carol's memory to Bluefield Union Mission, 2203 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, WV 24701 or to The Wade Center, P.O. Box 777, Bluefield, WV 24701.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Mrs. Carol Ann McHugh Cole.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

MAY 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mercer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carol Ann McHugh Cole*



Mercer Funeral Home - May 11, 2016 at 02:36 PM



“ *Carol Ann McHugh Cole*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Carol Cole was one of the sweetest ladies I have met in Bluefield. She was a terrific person and raised a beautiful family. RIP Carol so glad I knew you.*

Randy Lamb - May 23, 2016 at 09:50 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with the entire family.*

*Fondly
Anita Knopf*

anita knopf - May 15, 2016 at 10:25 AM

MG

“ I will miss her, our friendship was growing, We had a lot in common. May God Bless all of you and keep you in Peace, it would have been what she wanted. Hang tough Paul, we will pray for you.



Marsha Gentile - May 14, 2016 at 12:50 PM

CJ

“ Cheryl And Jim Knowles, Jr lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann McHugh Cole



Cheryl and Jim Knowles, Jr - May 14, 2016 at 06:00 AM

CJ

Prayers are with the entire family of Mrs Carol Cole, she was much respected in our community.

Cheryl and Jim Knowles, Jr - May 14, 2016 at 06:01 AM



“ Monika Watkins lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann McHugh Cole



Monika Watkins - May 13, 2016 at 05:53 PM

HC

“ Dear Paul and family,

I met a lot of women in my life and I have to place Carol among the best. In the years of building Hibiscus Children's Center she was always there, giving us her time, her money, and all the beautiful food she prepared for the kids. I know where you are and someday if God's willing I'll meet you. My love to you, my dear Paul, and the rest of the family. Please save a spot for me on the golf course and the bridge table.

*Fondly,
Helen Cooper*

Helen Cooper - May 13, 2016 at 02:21 PM

MB

“ Paul, Bill, Charlie, Tom and family... My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this sad time. Carol was such an inspiration and blessing in my life. May our Lord comfort you and give you peace. Love, Marie



Marie Blackwell - May 13, 2016 at 10:16 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carol Ann McHugh Cole.



May 13, 2016 at 09:11 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family during this very difficult time...If you need anything please let me know..*

Margaret Lopez

Margaret Lopez - May 12, 2016 at 07:51 PM



“ *my sincere condolences to the family during this very difficult time
stephen hill*

stephen hill - May 12, 2016 at 07:05 PM



“ *CAROL - Your Life was a BLESSING, Your Memory a TREASURE,
You are loved beyond words and missed beyond MEASURE.*

*Love Always and Forever,
Debra Ann Shah*

Debra Shah - May 12, 2016 at 05:40 PM



“ *Jerome,Beata Meadows purchased the Arrive in
Style for the family of Carol Ann McHugh Cole.*



Jerome,Beata Meadows - May 12, 2016 at 04:04 PM

DW

“ *Our sincere condolences and deepest sympathies at this most difficult time for all the family:*

*Into my heart's treasury I slipped a coin,
That time cannot take, nor a thief purloin.
Oh, better than the minting of a gold crowned kind
is the safe-kept memory of a lovely thing.*

*Dr. Terry Wallace and Carol Wallace
Bellaire, Ohio*

Dr. Terry A. Wallace - May 12, 2016 at 03:29 PM

CB

“ *Paul, Bill, Charlie, Tommy and family,
Please accept my deepest sympathy to you all in your loss of Carol.
We were classmates at Beaver High and later worked together
planning class reunions. She was always so very pleasant and such
a joy to be around. A gracious and outgoing person. May her
witness be an example to the family and those who knew her. And,
may God's perfect peace be with you all at this time and in the days
to come.*

*Charlie Bell
Bluefield, WV*

Charlie Bell - May 12, 2016 at 03:01 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for
the family of Carol Ann McHugh Cole.*



May 12, 2016 at 01:13 PM

BQ

“ Betty and Frank Quirk purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Carol Ann McHugh Cole.



Betty and Frank Quirk - May 12, 2016 at 09:38 AM

SS

“ Sevealyn Smith lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann McHugh Cole



Sevealyn Smith - May 12, 2016 at 08:34 AM

SB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Cole family. We are never ready to let a loved one go. God be with you through this very sad and difficult time.

Sharon Borich - May 12, 2016 at 06:28 AM

PS

“ My condolences to the Cole Family.



peggy Sparks - May 11, 2016 at 10:14 PM

WM

“ *With Love and Sympathy, Gerry & Debbie Mueller purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Carol Ann McHugh Cole.*



With Love and Sympathy, Gerry & Debbie Mueller - May 11, 2016 at 04:03 PM

DE

“ *Carol will be remembered in so many ways. Carol was a great writer. The letters she wrote during her battle with her illness were full of love, and powerful faith in God. She was an accomplished bridge player. I had the opportunity of playing against Carol and Paul losing many times! She loved to golf, dance and garden. Carol was full of life and life was full for Carol. I will miss her. Debbie Mueller*

Debbie - May 11, 2016 at 03:36 PM

WE

“ *So sorry to hear of Carol's passing. My heartfelt condolences to all of you.*

Wayne Evans

Wayne Evans - May 11, 2016 at 03:02 PM

BB

Sorry to hear of Carol passing. Will keep you all in my prayers

Barbara blackwell - May 11, 2016 at 03:45 PM



Prayers for all of the Cole family. Carol will be missed. She had her faith and her family around her. Now she is with Jesus. God Bless.
Widget

Widget Webert - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 PM



My heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with the Cole Family at this time. Mrs. Carol is resting in the loving arms of Jesus.

Monika Watkins - May 13, 2016 at 06:11 PM

*“ To all the Cole Family,
We are so very sorry for your loss. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

Joe and Karen Simon - May 11, 2016 at 08:29 AM

“ Deepest sympathy we have fond memories of carol enjoyed golf and social events with her. Rose Mary and Don Darlington

rose mary darlington - May 10, 2016 at 07:05 PM