



## Carol Ann Eldridge

February 9, 1939 - March 13, 2021

Ms. Carol Ann Eldridge, 82, of Houston passed away Saturday, March 13, 2021. Ms. Eldridge was born February 9, 1939 in New Orleans, Louisiana to Woodrow Mathews and Marie Rathke Mathews. She is survived by her children, John Paul Eldridge & wife Sarah, and Ericka Connor & husband Terence; grandchildren, Caitlin Connor, Riley Connor, Mallory Connor, Tatum Connor, Mackenzie Eldridge, Matthew Eldridge; sister, Elizabeth Garrett. Carol was born and raised in New Orleans. Carol moved to Houston in the 1970's with her husband William Rayburn Eldridge, where she raised her family and remained for life. Ms. Eldridge worked in the medical field at Baylor College of Medicine for many years. She was a devout catholic and long-time member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Houston, where she was active as an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion and distributed Holy Communion to the homebound and sick. She was also a member of the funeral guild that catered receptions for hundreds of grieving families. Carol was passionate about the preservation of unborn life and donated much of her time counseling young mothers in need of assistance. Carol was a caring mother, a devoted grandmother, kind sister and treasured friend to many.

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday March 25, 2021 at 10:30 am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 6800 Buffalo Speedway, Houston, TX 77025.

The livestream link is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCN1wE9WCQXd95>

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# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

MAR **25**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church  
6800 Buffalo Speedway  
Houston , TX 77025

# Tribute Wall



“ *Carol Ann Eldridge*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Carol Ann Eldridge*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Carol Ann Eldridge*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Carol Ann Eldridge*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Ericka, I'm so very sorry for your loss. I'll always remember your mom trying to wrangle us in as crazy little kids. I can see her now in a lawn chair next to my mom watching us tear up and down the block. May she Rest In Peace in heaven.*

**Heather Saucier** - April 05, 2021 at 02:53 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carol Ann Eldridge.*



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March 23, 2021 at 10:30 PM

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“ Carol had a strong unwavering faith. The city of Houston was still reeling from the devastating news about the havoc Katrina had reaped on New Orleans when we started hearing reports that another storm, just as deadly, was heading straight for Houston. It sent the city into a panic.

*I went out in the wee morning hours a couple of days before Hurricane Rita was supposed to hit, to get gas and get out of Houston. The line of cars on Westheimer was as far as the eyes could see, heading to Highway 6 and I-10. Worse, when I got to the gas station, I learned there was no gas.*

*I gathered with neighbors, frantic about what to do. I had relatives calling, telling me make sure you have an ax to cut a hole in the roof, if they have to rescue you from the rooftops. Scared? An understatement.*

*Carol and I had talked and she was going to come by. After she arrived, she told me, I stopped by the chapel on the way here, I prayed and I just got a strong feeling we are going to be OK. I wanted to believe her, but was doubtful. The storm was supposed to hit Houston that night. She left around 10 that evening, I watched her leave. As she headed to her car, she turned, smiled at me and said we're going to be fine.*

*I had three hanging baskets on my balcony; I kept watching them throughout the night, waiting for the wind to pick up before I brought them in. At sunrise, I was still watching them.*

*Carol's prediction proved right and I'm so grateful she was there. So grateful for her friendship. I will miss her tremendously.*

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**Juanita Weingartner** - March 19, 2021 at 08:33 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carol Ann Eldridge.*



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March 19, 2021 at 03:25 PM