



Carolyn Crain Trozzo

February 7, 1944 - December 14, 2022

Carolyn Crain Trozzo, 78, passed gently into the arms of her Lord and Savior on December 14th, 2022. She was born in Waco, Texas on February 7, 1944. Carolyn carried a ray of sunshine throughout her life, making each day a little brighter for all she encountered.

Carolyn graduated from Wichita Falls High School in 1962 and three years later, earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Education from Baylor University. She met, and shortly after graduation, married one lucky Air Force officer, Ernie Trozzo, on November 13, 1965. They moved to Pope Air Force Base in Fayetteville, N.C., where Carolyn began her teaching career.

When her husband's military commitment ended, the couple moved to Houston, where Carolyn's spiritual life and career successfully continued. She was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church since 1969, where she attended weekly Mass and was engaged in many social activities, including the Women's Club. She also enjoyed GO! Bible Study at Second Baptist Church and Beth Moore's Bible Study at First Baptist Church.

Carolyn's greatest passion was encouraging young people to learn. She was an educator for 40 years. She devoted herself to her students, teaching at Memorial Drive Elementary, Rummel Creek Elementary, and The Village School. She completed her career at Holy Spirit Episcopal School, where she

had the honor of becoming Head of School. At Holy Spirit, she led a talented team of educators in achieving the National Blue Ribbon Award for Excellence, 2000-2001. The award was presented to her by then president, George W. Bush. As one Board member put it, when writing about Carolyn, “I was never more impressed with her vision, her leadership skills, and her caring attitude toward her staff and her students”.

Her memberships included the PTO, National Association for the Education of Young Children, International Reading Association, Program Development Council, Southern Association Accreditation Committee, and the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for Women Educators.

Carolyn cherished the Lord and her children, instilling in them values they still hold true today. Although busy as an educator and wife, she never missed any of her sons’ games or activities. She did the same for her grandchildren. She supported them all, and they all adored her, whether she was Grandmother, Khaki, Carolyn, or Momma T.

Carolyn loved to travel with her husband and children, particularly to San Diego, Marseille, Florence, and Steamboat Springs. Outside of teaching, Carolyn enjoyed antiques, birdwatching, creating custom jewelry, raising dachshunds, and playing Bunco with friends. She had a gift to connect with anyone, often making new friends wherever she went. Carolyn loved to play games, and she loved to laugh.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her mother Shirley Mason Crain, her father Milton Crain, her daughter-in-law, Dawn Williams Trozzo, as well as two grandbabies, Sam Trozzo, and Eve Trozzo, who died prematurely.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Ernest Trozzo, their sons, Clay Trozzo (Kendall), Matthew Trozzo (Jessica), and Michael Trozzo, as well as

grandsons Jared and Payne Trozzo, Jace and Travis Trozzo, Walker Adams (Alyx) and Luke Adams, and granddaughters Annie Trozzo, and Megan and Sophie Adams.

Carolyn is also survived by her sisters, Cheryl Crain Young (Bob), Jan Crain Scott, and brother, Tom Crain (Mary), and sister-in-law Charlotte Trozzo Leamy (Frank). Also surviving are many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and great nephews.

The Trozzo family would like to thank the doctors, nurses, therapists, nurses' aides, caregivers, and friends who cared for Carolyn these many years. The family would like to specifically thank Marilyn Beal, Lily Bohny, Rudy Garcia Dos, Armie Gonzalez, Tricia Roman, May Cole (Autumn Years), Crystal Pacia, Monique Stewart, Cheryl Buchanan, and Carly Olitzki. A special thanks to Natalie Trevino, Elizabeth Bamgbose and Teresa Mendez who have become like family. Finally, Alma Martinez, Dr. Harvey Renger, and Dr. Charles Lyon for their heart felt advice. All these people have been a gift to the family.

Visitation will be held from 6pm to 8pm with Eulogies beginning at 7pm on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079.

A funeral Mass, followed by a reception, will take place at 10:30am on Thursday, January 5, 2023 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 625 Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079. The family will gather for a private interment at Memorial Oaks Cemetery after the reception.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 625 Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079, or the Alzheimer's Association, alz.org/donate.

John 11:25-26. " I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die, and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home
14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-2121
david@dettlingfuneral.com

Eulogies

JAN 4. 7:00 PM (CT)

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14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-2121
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Funeral Mass

JAN 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-1500

Reception

JAN 5. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carolyn Crain Trozzo*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Carolyn Crain Trozzo*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Carolyn Crain Trozzo*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Carolyn Crain Trozzo*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.*



January 06, 2023 at 10:56 AM



“ Carolyn was one of my very first friends when I moved to Houston. She changed my life by bringing me into the Village School community as a pre-school teacher and continued to be a friend and support in my life until her illness. I miss her and all of the adventures that she, Mary Ruisard and I shared together. I will always remember her as one of the friendliest people I have ever, ever known.
Julia Wolf

Julia Wolf - January 04, 2023 at 04:27 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.



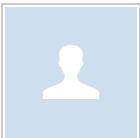
January 04, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.



January 03, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.



January 02, 2023 at 11:01 AM

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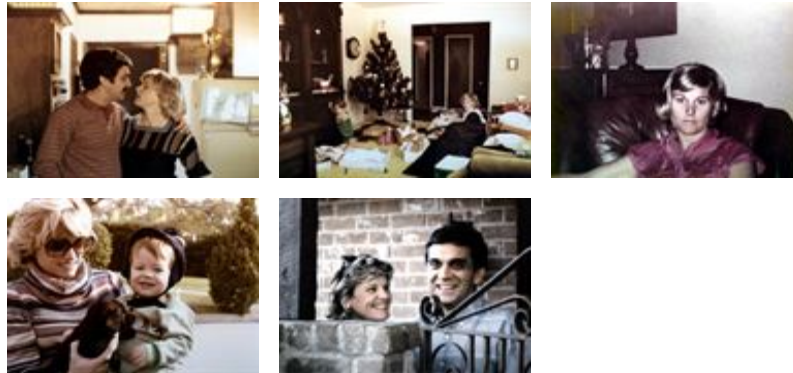
“ *The Leamy Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.*



The Leamy Family - December 30, 2022 at 04:02 PM



“ *101 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Detting Funeral Home - December 30, 2022 at 03:28 PM

LB

A woman who lived a beautiful life, who touched the hearts of so many and raised a wonderful family. I fondly recall Carolyn as a "football mom" as we cheered our sons to victory. You are remembered, celebrated and honored. May her family take comfort in the memories and knowing she's now wrapped in the arms of our Lord.

Linda Blackmon - January 04, 2023 at 06:43 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.* ”



December 30, 2022 at 01:40 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.* ”



December 30, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ *Carolyn’s friendship enhanced all of us who were lucky enough to live near her in the the “Cindywood cul-de-sac”.* ”

Ellen May - December 29, 2022 at 11:06 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.* ”



December 25, 2022 at 01:12 PM

SC

“ Carolyn was the best of the best! She hired me at Holy Spirit long ago, and it was a privilege to work under her. She truly cared about all the children and parents and did her best for the school. Her personality just sparkled! Truly a special person, I know my life was better for having known her. May her family take comfort in knowing how much she was loved.

sherry crossin - December 23, 2022 at 11:44 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Crain Trozzo.



December 22, 2022 at 01:28 AM

TD

“ I have so many fond memories of Mrs. Trozzo. She was an influential role model for me during my adolescent years. My condolences to the Trozzo family. She will be missed!

Tricia Dodds - December 19, 2022 at 12:15 PM

AH

“ What precious memories I have from the Cindywood cul-de-sac. Mrs. Trozzo's smile was ever present amongst the kiddos gathered there. My deepest condolences to all of you!

Ali Szallai Hurt - December 18, 2022 at 10:49 AM