



## Carol Jean Fowler

August 13, 1933 - February 3, 2021

Carol Jean Fowler (Takac) 1933-2021

Our dear mother, Carol Fowler, left us on February 3 after a brave battle with cancer. Not surprisingly, she was determined and sharp to the end. She lived 87 years, had six decades of marriage with Marv, five children, John (Danelle), Cathy (Jim), Russ (Deb), Brian (Roxana), and Andrea (David), 10 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, five homes, a lot of cats, and brought us all countless memories and laughs. We already miss her terribly. As we move into this new life without her, we will all remember so many wonderful things about her, but especially her love of our Dad and every one of us.

Carol and Marv met when they were only 18 and 19 and ultimately celebrated 61 anniversaries together. They not only loved each other, they also obviously liked and respected each other.

They made sure they took us on great trips every year: Toronto, New England, Findley Lake, Washington DC, Florida, California, always expanding our horizons. After we grew up and out, they had new great times traveling all over the country on their own: California, the Pacific NW, Alaska, The Smoky Mountains, plus frequent trips to their very favorite place, Sanibel Island, Florida. They loved it so much they bought their place on Sanibel in large part, no doubt, so all of us and our kids could visit and enjoy it with them. We were all good with that decision.

When Dad's health declined Mom's focus was one-hundred percent on caring for him until he passed in April 2013. Since then, she most looked forward to volunteering at Lake MetroParks at events Brian had started like Haunted Hayrides and Santa's Workshop, working at the antique shop, meeting her friends at Wendy's for lunch, and having dinner on Mondays with Bill and Cheryl.

But what she enjoyed most of all was visits, pictures, and phone calls from her kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids. She shared each story she heard with the rest of us;

connecting her one, big family.

As everyone who spent time with her knew, she was also a strong-willed, smart woman who didn't hesitate to stand up for herself, and was not afraid to express her opinions (even when we may not have wanted to hear them).

We all did venture out to new places, sometimes far from home. But we always came back and Mom and Dad were always happy to see us and to have us at home.

Grandchildren: Ryan (and Vanessa), Anna (and Tim), Haley (and Mike), Laura, Emma (and Sadie), Kyle, Sara (and Bala), Shaun, Elise (and Alan) and Theo!

Great-Grandchildren: Mae, Lincoln, Alyssa, Grant, Neta

Cats (partial list): Blackie, Boo, Pumpkin, Fuki, Eberhard-Faber, Tigger, Pooh, Kizzie, Mikey, Miko and her beloved rescue cat Nia, who misses her very much.

Miss you mom. We will be having a private service now, but we look forward to summer when we can all celebrate Mom!

Arrangements entrusted to Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be in Carol's memory to the Kevin P. Clinton Wildlife Center at Lake Metroparks, 8668 Kirtland-Chardon Road, Kirtland, OH 44094. Please offer condolences at <http://www.brunners.com>

# Comments

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“ We were privileged to know Carol and Marv. They were good friends and were so generous to allow us to spend two vacations at their condo on Sanibel Island. Bill and Marv had many conversations about the Browns and Indians. We knew Carol even better through our association at Antiques on the Square. We miss both of them!!

Ruth & Bill Whiting.

**Ruth & Bill Whiting** - February 14 at 03:00 PM

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“ I worked with Carol on Sundays for many years at Antiques On The Square. We always had a good time and lots of interesting conversation. Carol was generous with her knowledge of antiques and she always brought pretzels and candy kisses. We bragged about our cats and our grandchildren and shared pictures of them with each other. I will miss my good friend.

Gale Shanower

**Gale Shanower** - February 08 at 10:27 PM