



Carolyn Bates

July 20, 1950 - June 1, 2009

BATES – Carolyn Jessee Bates, 58 of Hiram, died June 1, 2009. Born in Raleigh , NC, she is survived by husband, Lavon Bates of Hiram; son, Brian E. Beibide of Mobile, AL; sister, Marilyn Jessee Kelly of Raleigh, NC; niece, Carolyn Dren of Fuquay, NC; mother-in-law, Margie Bates of Alpharetta. The funeral service for Carolyn will be on Friday, June 5, 2009 at 5:00 PM in the funeral home chapel. Gabe Chatham will officiate. Those who desire may make memorial donations to any Hospice organization in memory of Carolyn. The family will receive friends on Thursday, June 4, 2009 from 6 to 8 PM at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory, Roswell/Alpharetta, 770/645-1414.

Cemetery Details

Sikorski Funeral Home

3630 West George Street
Chicago, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

JUN 5. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Carolyn Bates

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ Sad that controlling family members left out she had 2 other sisters that loved her dearly, a niece and her family! I think of you often aunt Carolyn. Today was one of those days.

michelle campbell - August 22, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ Carolyn, I still remember you calling me for directions to our office on your first day as our "temp" and enjoying your wicked sense of humor from that first day at work onwards. We had some good laughs, and even enjoyed the same favorite perfume "Femme" - which you thoughtfully gave me for my birthday. You were so kind to lend Martin "Trigger" when he hurt his back. He was so sad and shocked, like me, to hear of your passing, he enjoyed his chats and fun on the phone with you. The "Bebide-isms" will remain; one of the favorites here "shiny is my favorite color" is still mentioned when some one wears anything with even a single sequin, and of course "the pay's the same" will never be forgotten. The glass flower you gave me is still here in my office and will always be a reminder of one of my favorite real Southern girls (we laughed many times about our accents). Your passing was much too soon and I will always think of you fondly and with a smile.

Diane Hogg###imported-begin##Diane Hogg###imported-end##

June 05, 2009 at 04:19 PM



“ We love you and going to miss you !!!##imported-begin##Ernest & Agnes Fain##imported-end##

June 05, 2009 at 03:07 PM



“ Dear Carolyn - Yours was the first voice I heard when I first called to interview at Quantum and the first face I saw on my first day there! I love you and will miss you so much. I will not forget those lunches with you, me and Nicole. And you, "MeeMaw" (as Mekhi used to call you!) trying to get in the back of my Astro van and getting that heavy door shut behind you. Me and "Brown Girl" will never forget you. I'll keep you and your family in my prayers. With Fondest Memories of Your Kindness to Me, Marie##imported-begin##Marie Hall##imported-end##

June 05, 2009 at 12:22 PM



“ As neighbors, we will miss Carolyn. Her homecoming was such a shock to us, but our memories of her will always be beautiful treasures.##imported-begin##Harold & Atha Chism##imported-end##

June 04, 2009 at 04:28 PM



“My life has been forever changed because of my loss, but primarily because you made me your friend.

Things that no one else will ever understand are flooding back; the Waffle House staff who lit a candle on our table because they said they'd never seen any two people so much in love. Christmas Eve at the mall, even though we had been finished for weeks prior, just to watch everyone else scurry. You holding the ladder for me, perched atop a 25 foot Christmas tree - when the ladder broke. Our late night runs for ice cream “just because we could.” Me climbing the stairs behind you in that awful white terry cloth robe, the “polar bear” comment and the response I got that will forever make me laugh. The Halloween party, which turned out to be All Saints Day at Catholic school and the devil costume. Three black Koi in a bag. One grease fire and one Greece fire. Lipstick on a cat. “Hairspray kills spydas.” “Robyn Elizabeth.” There are at least a million more.

I have lost my partner, my friend, my confidant, my soul mate. I have lost that infectious laughter, that wicked glare. I have lost the only woman other than my Mother who ever loved me unconditionally, without question, who has defended me like a lioness when she thought I was under attack. I have lost the only person in this world that ever lived only in the moment, never looking back, never a regret. The future never existed.

I'll miss the Carolynisms, “Shiny is my favorite color.” “Black is so slimming, do you have anything any darker?” “Shhhh, smell that?” “Is that two monkeys in a sack?”

We knew each other for a very long time. We saw each other at our worst and at our best. We've laughed much more than we've cried and even through the tears now, I can see your beautiful smile, your beautiful brown eyes.....then one of your eyelashes falls into your coffee and I laugh aloud.

I love you, I always have, I always will.....save me a place up front.

I'll see you soon.

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June 03, 2009 at 09:06 PM



“ *My dearest girlfriend Carolyn, Richard just told me you were gone from me for a while. I love you dearly as we had been so deeply bonded as friends like I'd never had in my life. You saw me through so many hardships and heartaches. You inspired so many songs and the one that has your name in the first line, comes to mind immediately, "Me and my girlfriend Carolyn were talking....." It tells about our trials, heartaches and joys we shared. I am so honored to have had YOU in my life and to have known such a wonderful, caring person as you. I know you're in Heaven LAUGHING, like always, and probably making all the other angels laugh at life, cheering them up as you always did for me. You loved passionately. You cared for me and Tisha so much and I appreciate that you and I could be so close as friends even better than family. She called you "Auntie Carolyn" and loved you so much too. What a joy you were and are to my soul. I am so blessed. Loving you forever, Vicki Lynne Wisecup###imported-begin###Vicki Lynne Wisecup###imported-end###*

June 02, 2009 at 05:05 PM