



## Carolyn Ann Tilden

August 5, 1935 - December 5, 2020

Carolyn Ann Tilden of Akron, Indiana passed away lovingly surrounded by family at her home on Friday, December 5, 2020.

Carolyn was born in North Manchester on August 5, 1935 to John Robert and Tressa Pearl (Metzger) Helvey. On August 11, 1951 was joined in marriage to Richard Dwight Tilden in Akron.

Survivors include her husband and children Mike (Pam) Tilden, Akron; Jeff (Nancy) Tilden, Akron; Scott (Cindy) Tilden, Akron; Lori (DeLynn) Tilden-Geiger, Warsaw; Tricia (Michael) Griggs, Hartsville, South Carolina and a sister Doris Hunter, West Virginia.

Carolyn is also survived by her grandchildren Cassandra Eherenman, David Tilden, Stephanie Tilden, Ryan Tilden, Wendy Tilden, Hillary Tilden, Mallory Deardorff-Dawson, Alex Deardorff, Graham Hoyle, Shane Potter, and Blane Potter along with their spouses, nieces, nephews, and great-grandchildren.

Preceding Carolyn in death were her parents and siblings Vivian Lewis, Lamoine Helvey, Zelma Schlemmer, Robert Helvey, Richard Helvey, and Ardith Smythe.

Carolyn's life and legacy will be celebrated in a private family service at the

home of her daughter on Tuesday, December 8 with Pastors Kathy Nelson and Mandy Nellans of the Akron Church of God and David Eaton, Akron United Methodist Church officiating. Graveside service will take place immediately following at the Akron Cemetery. Hartzler Funeral Home of Akron is in charge of the arrangements.

Carolyn Ann Tilden could be found many days enjoying her front porch swing. She babysat and cared for over 200 children in Akron for over 30 years. With her compassion to make sure all children in the community were sheltered, warm and fed, her family requests in lieu of flowers, please make a donation in her loving memory to the "Viking Vittles" backpack program for Tippecanoe Valley students who may be food insecure. Donations may be sent to Tippecanoe Valley Middle School - Viking Vittles Program, 11303 W. 800 S., Akron, Indiana 46910.

# Cemetery Details

## **Akron Cemetery**

S 1075 E  
Akron, IN 46910

# Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden



Hartzler Funeral Services - December 07, 2020 at 10:38 AM

 Mari  
Kate

*Such a lovely tribute to such a beautiful lady. Thoughts and prayers are with you all. My deepest sympathy for your family.*

Mari Kate - December 07, 2020 at 12:00 PM

MP

*Look at those beautiful memories. Isn't it wonderful we have them? Hope they bring smiles and peace to you all.*

Melody Pfeifer - December 07, 2020 at 12:01 PM

JH

*Beautiful tribute to a lovely, kind lady. I will miss her sweet smile....my sympathy and love to the family for their great loss.....Praying, Jane and David Haynes and family*

jane haynes - December 07, 2020 at 04:47 PM

RM

*What wonderful memories I have growing up with you Aunt Carolyn and Uncle Richard. Love you and your family very very much.  
Reesa Rentschler Mills*

Reesa Mills - December 07, 2020 at 05:02 PM

SA

*I was babysitting at the "Sonoco house" and had to walk home late at night. Some boys started harassing me from a car so as I passed the Tilden's, I just walked right in. As I started to explain my interruption, Carolyn narrowed her eyes and said, "It was probably Jeff." You knew you were alright with Carolyn around.*

Sarah - December 07, 2020 at 05:46 PM

VJ

*My Precious Carolyn, I could never Thank You enough for your help in raising my boys! You and your beautiful family were such a big part of our lives. Peace and love be with you all, and my Carolyn you will be in my heart, always! 💕*

Victoria Jasper - December 07, 2020 at 07:36 PM

GE

*Beautiful tribute to your Mom.*

Glenda Ellison - December 07, 2020 at 07:54 PM

CR

*Wendy, this is a lovely tribute to your Grandma and her wonderful family. Praying God will give your family peace in dealing with this great loss.*

CR - December 07, 2020 at 11:14 PM

NB

“ Nancy and Brenda purchased the Mother - Angel Figurine, 8.5 in for the family of Carolyn Ann Tilden.



Nancy and Brenda - December 12, 2020 at 11:08 AM

RT

“ Rozella And Tana Tinkey lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden



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**Rozella and Tana Tinkey** - December 10, 2020 at 03:10 PM

BF

“ Carolyn was my babysitter in the 70's and mother to best childhood friend Tricia. I remember good times of watching Brady Bunch, eating spaghetti's, and playing on Sonoco tubes in the backyard. Even though I wasn't family, she made me feel like a member of the family. So kind and so patient. You will be missed and never forgotten.

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**Brent Fultz** - December 08, 2020 at 03:33 PM

BF

“ Carolyn was my babysitter in the 70's and best friend Tricia's Mom. I remember a time when I threw a ball in house that knocked a picture off the wall in the dining room. Carolyn spanked me for it and then apologized to my Mom. My Mom said no apology needed, thanked her and proceeded to spank me again when we got home! Carolyn was simply the best. From the Brady Bunch & Sesame Street eating Spaghettios to blanket forts, bikes & Sonoco tubes...Thank you for the memories and the blessing of being part of our lives!



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**Brent Fultz** - December 08, 2020 at 01:25 PM

SS

“ *Sonoco - Customer Service Center - Hartsville, SC purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Carolyn Ann Tilden.*



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**Sonoco - Customer Service Center - Hartsville, SC -**  
December 08, 2020 at 10:26 AM

AS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you Richard and your family.*

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**Alan & Sally Sterk -** December 08, 2020 at 06:21 AM

BB

“ *BONNIE B[CKEL lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden*



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**BONNIE B[CKEL -** December 07, 2020 at 10:27 PM

RM

“ *Reesa Mills lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden*



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**Reesa Mills -** December 07, 2020 at 06:21 PM

MF

“ *Sending hugs and prayers to all of Carolyn's loved ones during this difficult time. We have many fond memories of being Neighbors. She was sweet, kind, a lovely lady.*

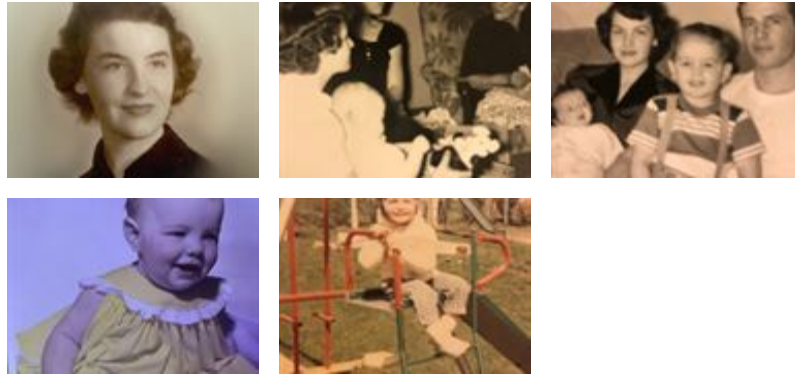
*Dave and Marlyn French*

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**Marlyn French** - December 07, 2020 at 12:00 PM



“ *66 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Hartzler Funeral Services** - December 07, 2020 at 10:37 AM

JF

“ *Carolyn was a special lady. She had such a sweet & gentle spirit. Carolyn was always so kind to we neighborhood kids as we were growing up. Prayers for comfort to her loved ones.*



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**Joe and Sara French** - December 07, 2020 at 09:36 AM

JW

“ *Judy Walgamuth lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden*



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**Judy Walgamuth** - December 07, 2020 at 02:36 AM

BR

“ *Carolyn was so patient with her babysitting kids. I remember I had an emergency and had to pick Jodee up early one day. When I got there she was in the kitchen and all the kids were in there helping her cook. She was just smiling and talking to them. My girls were fortunate to have her as their babysitter. She was a special person. Praying for God to comfort Richard and her family.*



*Bill & Miriam Ruppel*

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**Bill & Miriam Ruppel** - December 06, 2020 at 10:43 PM

DD

“ *Dee Dague lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden*



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**Dee Dague** - December 06, 2020 at 06:09 PM

KD

“ Kerry and Melanie Deardorff



Kerry and Melanie Deardorff - December 06, 2020 at 12:58 PM

MH

“ Mark Hoffman lit a candle in memory of  
Carolyn Ann Tilden



mark hoffman - December 05, 2020 at 09:22 PM

JM

“ Jeannie Matheny lit a candle in memory of  
Carolyn Ann Tilden



Jeannie Matheny - December 05, 2020 at 08:28 PM

EB

“ Eric A Boykin lit a candle in memory of  
Carolyn Ann Tilden



Eric A Boykin - December 05, 2020 at 07:28 PM

CB

“ *What a kind and beautiful lady. She will be greatly missed!  
God Bless her family  
Chris ( HILEMAN) Bixler*



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**Christine Bixler** - December 05, 2020 at 07:09 PM

JB

“ *Jim And Shirley Bickel lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden*



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**Jim and Shirley Bickel** - December 05, 2020 at 06:46 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Tilden.*



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December 05, 2020 at 05:29 PM

GM

“ *Georgia Moudy lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Tilden*



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**Georgia Moudy** - December 05, 2020 at 05:17 PM