



KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON

April 12, 1949 - September 28, 2025

Kathleen "Kathy" Carlon, age 76, of Brownsville, MN, passed away peacefully on September 28th, 2025, at Mayo Health Center in La Crosse, WI, surrounded by her family.

Kathy was born on April 12, 1949 in La Crosse WI to John and Alice (Kastner) Giblin. She grew up on a farm near Caledonia, MN, graduated from Caledonia High School, and later attended Beauty School in Minneapolis, MN. With her patient heart, warm smile, and knack for making everyone feel welcome, she owned and operated Cork Hollow Beauty Salon in Brownsville for many years, becoming not only a trusted stylist, but also a friend and confidant to so many in the community.

In 1972 she married the love of her life, Gary Carlon and together they raised their two children Brent and Shelly. Kathy's greatest joy was being a mother and grandmother. She adored her family, and her world lit up when spending time with her family, her friends, and her cat Sammy.

Kathy had a heart for people – she truly never met a stranger. She loved visiting with all sorts of different people. She enjoyed being a part of her community, where her laughter and good humor left a lasting mark. She had a gift for making those around her feel comfortable, cared for, and truly loved.

She also had many passions – she loved animals dearly, she enjoyed baking and sewing, and was a very talented listener. She was a prolific reader and always enjoyed a good story. Kathy's faith was very important to her. She was a lifelong member of St. Patrick's Parish in Brownsville, MN.

Kathy is survived by her children Brent (Nicole) Carlon and daughter Shelly (Kerry) Dixon; grand son, John Carlon, brother Bob (Shirley) Giblin, her beloved husband, Gary Carlon, and many dear friends. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 am Friday, October 17, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brownsville MN. Burial will follow a luncheon at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Brownsville, MN. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 pm Thursday at St. Patrick's Breza Hall with a prayer service at 7 pm. Visitation will also be before the service from 9:30 to 10:30 am Friday. McCormick Funeral Home, Caledonia, is assisting the family and online condolences may be given at McCormickfuneralhome.net

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 16. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Breza Hall, St. Patrick Church
604 Adam Street
Brownsville, MN 55919

Prayer Service

OCT 16. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

OCT 17. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JM

“ To those who don't know me, I am Johnny. I have known Kathleen my entire life. I grew up with her during the summers on her family's farm. She was more like a sister than a cousin. She was my mentor, my teacher, babysitter and my friend. She took care of me when I was there. She took me out with her friends down to the A&W, La Crosse shopping, and Brownsville dances, when I was a little shit. Thanks to her, set me on the path to being a good person, a good human being. For all of that, I am so grateful. My family and I were so grateful to reconnect with her and her family last year. May she rest in peace in the arms of God.

Johnny Murphy - October 16, 2025 at 02:13 PM

JS

“ Johnny, Kathy, Tom, Dan and Sam planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON.

Johnny, Kathy, Tom, Dan and Sam - October 16, 2025 at 01:58 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON.



October 16, 2025 at 01:58 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON.



October 13, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ The Jamie Conniff Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON.

The Jamie Conniff Family - October 03, 2025 at 12:22 PM



“ The Jamie Conniff Family purchased the Beautiful I Heart Bouquet for the family of KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON.



The Jamie Conniff Family - October 03, 2025 at 12:22 PM



“ Carlon family: so sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. I worked with her a short time at Winnebago Software & really enjoyed our friendship. Brownsville just won't be the same without her!

Wilma Schoh - October 02, 2025 at 05:48 PM

MI

“ *Kathy was a sweetheart and had a smile on her face whenever she saw you. She was so easy to talk to and had that special way of making you feel at ease with her!! I didn't know Kathy well but will never forget her!!! Rest in Peace Dear Friend!!!!*

Mickey - October 02, 2025 at 04:56 PM

RA

“ *Randy, Mary, Butch, Debbie, Bill & Ann purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of KATHLEEN "KATHY" CARLON.*



Randy, Mary, Butch, Debbie, Bill & Ann - October 02, 2025 at 01:06 PM