



## Patricia Catherine Long Carey

August 27, 1936 - September 30, 2022

Patricia Catherine Long Carey, age 86, of Christiansburg died, Friday, September 30, 2022, at 10:20 PM. Her Husband Nelson George Carey, Daughter Cheryl Nannette Carey and Grandson Carl Ryan Linkous were at her bedside at Lewis Gale Montgomery Hospital in Salem. She was born in Long Island, NY on August 27, 1936, to the late John Walter and Barbara Franklin Long. She is preceded in death by her brother John Walter Long Jr. She is survived by her husband, Nelson George Carey; Daughter, Cheryl Nannette Carey of Christiansburg, VA; children, Glenn Christopher Carey of Green Acres, FL (wife tammy Pannell), Cheryl Nannette Carey of Christiansburg, VA; grandsons are Brian Carey of FL, and Carl Ryan Linkous of Christiansburg, VA; nieces, Sarah King and Allie Long of Long Island, NY; great nieces, Lucy May and Harlee Grace; and nephew, Justin Long of Long Island, NY.

Patricia was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She was very active in her church, St Mary's Catholic Church, in Blacksburg, VA. She was a member of St Mary's Rosary Makers, where she made over 1000 rosaries, which were shipped around the world. She was a money counter, heading up a group who cleaned the worship area of the church every Monday, she was a baker for funeral receptions, and a caller to alert the bakers, she crocheted small gift blankets for the newly baptized, and shawls for the sick. She organized a court of Catholic Daughters of the Americas and served as the Charter

Regent.

Among the Leggett employees and the Knights of Columbus, Patricia and Nelson became known as the Arthur Murray couple. The highlight of their dance career was at Knights of Columbus Convention, where they went on a midnight cruise on the Spirit of Norfolk and danced the night away on the upper and lower deck. They were loving sweethearts for 58 years!

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at 11:00 A.M. in the Westview Cemetery, with the Father John Asare officiating. The family will receive friends from 5-7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, with a rosary service at 7:00 P.M. at McCoy Funeral Home, 150 Country Club Dr. S.W. Blacksburg, Va. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Toys from the Heart, 905 Collins St., Christiansburg, Va 24073.

# Cemetery Details

## Westview Cemetery

723 E. Roanoke Street  
Blacksburg, VA

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

OCT 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home Chapel  
150 Country Club Dr S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

## Rosary Service

OCT 4. 7:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home  
150 Country Club Dr. S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060  
(540) 552-3211  
mccoymfuneralhome@verizon.net  
<https://mccoymfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Service

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OCT 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Westview Cemetery  
723 E. Roanoke Street  
Blacksburg, VA

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ I'm so sorry to hear this. I have always remembered Mr. and Mrs. Carey from growing up a few houses down from them. Such a sweet couple, their love has always been an inspiration. My heart hurts for your loss. Praying for you, Mr. Carey, Cheryl and your family.



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**Jamie Moore** - October 06, 2022 at 06:42 PM

MZ

“ Dear Patty. I miss you so much. I missed our long talks together and our visits over the many years. You were more of a sister to me than sister-in-law. I feel blessed by your presence in my life. You were a blessing and a comfort to so many and you will be sadly missed. I will hold you forever in my heart. Much Love.

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**Marie Long Zwicker** - October 06, 2022 at 01:14 PM

DR

“ Patricia, I'm so grateful to have known you for as long as I did. You were a remarkable woman, and I miss you already. Thank you for your accepting me and welcoming me with a hug. I'll always remember you. I promise you to take care of Cheryl the best I can. Love and miss you. David

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**David Ratcliffe** - October 05, 2022 at 05:50 PM

NC

“ Sweetheart,  
*It's already been too long that your gone, but I'll always carry you in my heavy. heart. Our memories of our lives will always be as real every day as they were the day we lived them. Our Love was so special I wish the world's couples could have the same. Maybe there would be a whole lot peace and happiness. Sweetie, I pray you'll enjoy the promises of heaven until I can join you. All my Love*  
*Your Sweetheart*

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**Nelson Carey** - October 03, 2022 at 12:12 PM

SD

“ Dear Carey family,  
*We are sorry to hear of the passing of this quiet saint of a woman. St. Marys community thanks her for her devotion. Our hearts and prayers go out to you in particular, Nelson, for your bond of love was as visible as sunshine.*  
*Roses,*  
*Peggy and Steve DeHart*

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**Steve DeHart** - October 03, 2022 at 08:39 AM

DB

“ My condolences to Nelson, Cheryl and Ryan & all the family ..Very kind and sweet lady- Always enjoyed talking with her when she came thru walmart ..She will be missed.



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**Drema Bishop** - October 03, 2022 at 06:46 AM



“ Thank you, Aunt Pat, for all that you’ve done for my girls and I. I will make sure they remember you for your kind heart. We have the personalized cards you sent them saved and we will cherish them forever. I know daddy and pappap welcomed you to heaven with open arms. We love you 💜

Sarah King - October 02, 2022 at 09:31 PM



“ In Memory of Mrs.Patricia Carey 🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️  
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My Condolences and Prayers to her Loving  
Husband, Daughter Cheryl and Ryan



Rosezonda Martin (Rose) - October 02, 2022 at 08:42 PM



“ My mother, Helen Davis, loved working at St. Mary's with Patty. Such a kind and caring lady. Many rosaries were made between those two ladies now together again in heaven.



Debi McCoy - October 02, 2022 at 07:20 PM

RL

“ My Granny..... thank you for all the stories you have shared with me thank you for the memories of you and I that I will always keep in my heart. You made me laugh all the time especially when you would act out your stories. We had our coffee together when I was little we fed the birds together all our holidays and birthdays together. Granny you were always with me at the hospital and I was with you everyday while you were in the hospital. You will always be with me Granny I love you so very much and I will take care of mom and Pa for you .Your My Granny Forever



Ryan Linkous - October 02, 2022 at 04:47 PM

LJ

Nelson, we are so sorry of the passing of your wife patty your sweetheart. With love and Prayers of condolences sending to you and your family. We are here as your friend if you need anything let us know! Love, Leslie and Lois

Leslie and Lois Jarrells - October 04, 2022 at 03:33 PM

CC

“ Mama I'm so lost now and missing you so bad we had an amazing mother daughter relationship you were and ALWAYS will be my "Ma" , mama, mom, and mother , along with my best friend, my confidant, my supporter, my shoulder to cry on, my encouragement, you were and always will be my everything. You saw me take my first breath mama and I was with you when you took your last . I don't like this world or my life anymore mama without you in it it's so empty. I'm taking care of Daddy for you like you asked but he's so sad and lost without you too mama . I pray Heaven knows what an angel you are and that Nana and pap pap gave you a big hug . I love you so much mama



Cheryl Carey - October 02, 2022 at 04:31 PM

GC

*Patti always had such a sweet smile and gentle laughter as she diligently cleaned the church every week--- and did all the "behind the scenes" work to make the Church a warm and welcoming place. --Now Jesus has prepared a place for you--all clean and ready! -- Glenda (and Bob) Canfield*

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**Glenda Canfield** - October 04, 2022 at 05:19 PM