



Carol Hooper

June 12, 1946 - October 20, 2019

RAYMOND – Carol Hooper passed away peacefully on October 20, 2019 at Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough after a brief battle with cancer. She left this earth within a week of her diagnosis.

Carol was born in Portland, Maine on June 12, 1946. Her parents were Emilio and Leona D’Arcangelo. Prior to moving to the Little Falls area in Gorham the family lived in Portland for 1 year and South Portland for 3 years. Carol attended Gorham Schools, graduating from Gorham High School in 1964. She then attended the University of Southern Maine in Gorham earning a Bachelor of Arts degree and a teaching certificate. Summers until high school were spent at camp on Long Lake in Harrison, Maine swimming, boating and water skiing. While growing up, Carol and her brother Mike spent as much time during the school year as they could at their grandparents’ farm in Bridgton, Maine. There Carol helped with caring for animals and she and her brother and sometimes cousins explored the surrounding woods and fields. The family snow skied at Pleasant Mountain (now Shawnee Peak) in Bridgton and later at Sugarloaf enjoying many fun filled weekends with family and friends.

From a young age, Carol always displayed a deep love and connection with horses, including at the tender age of 3 leading her grandfather’s horse, Major, to the brook and back to the barn at the Bridgton farm. Whenever she could she found ways to ride including riding lessons on her birthdays and volunteering to care for horses owned by a local horse woman. Along with horses, Carol loved dogs and always had at least one dog in her life, the latest being Josie, a rescue dog, who Carol adopted in 2017. In summers, while in high school, she worked at various summer camps and resorts teaching riding and leading trail rides. She had many great stories about trail rides and horses gone astray.

After college, Carol taught elementary school in New Hampshire and after deciding school teaching was not for her returned to Maine and got a job as a secretary for a small local insurance company. From that entry level position Carol worked her way up and became a

commercial underwriter and worked many years in Maine for Hanover Insurance Company, a position she loved and valued. Along the way she received many awards and accolades. She served as President of the Maine Women's Insurance group for numerous years and taught certified classes on many occasions. While living in Maine, Carol always managed to own at least one horse, and in more recent years co-owned a rambling farmhouse in Standish where she was able to stable and graze her multiple horses.

Upon her retirement in 2008, Carol traveled and did volunteer work for Hearts and Horses in Buxton, Maine helping handicapped riders learn and improve their riding skills. She loved her work there and had many fond memories of friends made and people she helped doing the sport she loved. During her mother Leona's last years of life, Carol spent much of her time at her mother's Raymond residence, providing almost fulltime care for Leona, which was immensely appreciated by mother and brother alike.

Carol was predeceased by both parents, and is survived by her brother Mike D'Arcangelo, her sister in law, Gigi D'Arcangelo, and numerous cousins and multitudes of friends. She will be deeply missed by the people and animals who knew her.

Carol requested no funeral. All are invited to a memorial visitation from 3pm to 5pm on Friday, October 25, 2019 at the Windham Chapel of Dolby Blais & Segee, 434 River Road, Windham, ME 04062. Following visitation, a reception will follow at the Frederick Robie building in Little Falls starting at 5:30pm. All are welcome to attend the burial which will take place on Saturday, October 26th at 2pm at the Forest Hills Cemetery in Bridgton.

Cemetery

Events

Forest Hill

Kansas Road
Bridgton, ME,

OCT **Visitation** 03:00PM - 05:00PM

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Dolby, Blais & Segee - Windham Chapel
434 River Road, Windham, ME, US, 04062

OCT **Reception** 05:30PM

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Old Robie School
668 Gray Rd., Gorham, ME, US, 04038

OCT **Burial** 02:00PM

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Forest Hill
Kansas Road, Bridgton, ME, US

Comments



“ We were a benefiting family to Carol’s volunteer work at Hearts and Horses. Nearly every week she led the horse for my daughter who does therapy riding there. She was always so nice to talk to and clearly so generous with her time. She will be greatly missed by our family. Truly wonderful person!

Jamie Curtis - October 25 at 10:23 AM



“ Carol. Kind ,caring Carole. High school classmate who worked diligently to continue/organize our class reunions every five years .She will be truly missed

susan watson - October 25 at 01:48 PM



“ Carol was a client of ours at the Edgewood animal hospital. We took care of both her horses and dogs for many years. She was a fine lady who was dedicated to her animals and her friends. She was one of those people who made it a pleasure to associate with. I am deeply saddened by her passing.. with the most respect. John Johnston, DVM

johnjohnston - October 24 at 04:37 PM



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Dolby Funeral Chapel - October 23 at 03:34 PM



“ I knew Carol from NAIW and always enjoyed catching up with her at various local, regional and national conferences. She was a wonderful person and I extend my deepest sympathies to her family.

Jonel Thames Leake

Jonel Thames Leake - October 23 at 02:22 PM