



## Marilyn E. Carmichael

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She became an instant friend be it to a stranger, a student or a parent. There was not anyone who came in her presence that did not like her. Marilyn loved her Lord and strived throughout her life to carry out his mission on earth. She adored her three children and five grandchildren. She cherished her cousins and her friends. And she took very seriously her role as teacher to the hundreds of students that passed through her classroom doors.

A native of Crockett, she was a resident of Vallejo since the 1950s.

Marilyn, a Crockett rocket, grew up in the small town of Crockett along the Carquinez straits. She attended Carquinez Elementary School and graduated from John Sweat High School. As a young girl she formulated friendships that lasted for close to eighty years with Begonia, Enes , and Janet. They truly were loving friends.

Marilyn in high school played sports, served as the captain of a well-known award-winning drill team, was the Crockett sugar city festival queen and involved with St. Rose Catholic Church of Crockett.

Marilyn attended the former Vallejo Junior College and made a career change from becoming a secretary to being a teacher. She trained for teaching at Holy Names College in Oakland. Her almost fifty years of teaching began at Mills School in Benicia followed by Carquinez Elementary School and finally forty years at the love of her teaching career, St. Basils School in Vallejo. At St. Basils she taught third, fifth, seventh and eighth grades and when she retired at the young age of 80 was the resource teacher.

In her long career at St. Basils, she was not only a teacher but worked on the school yearbook, school newspaper, graduation activities, the famous St. Basils talent show, the third-grade Thanksgiving feast, chaperoned the eighth-grade trips back to Washington D.C. and the diocese speech contests. She was nominated teacher of the year several

times by the Elks club of Vallejo.

Marilyn loved both her students and the people she worked with. She was the first one to arrive in the morning and get the coffee started in the teacher's lounge. At the age of eighty, Marilyn's health determined her retirement. In her retirement years she spent her time with her buddy and best friend daughter Celia, her sons Ben and Matt, grandchildren, niece Patti Zuppan Hood and fellow friends from St. Basils and childhood friends. Marilyn loved to watch jeopardy, wheel of fortune, and the Warrior games.

Marilyn is survived by her beloved daughter Celia, sons Benjamin and Matthew, daughters-in- laws, Maggie and Angelica, grandchildren Matthew, Nicholas, Christian, Madison and Ryan. niece Patti Zuppan Hood and nephews Paul Zuppan, John Gerad Zuppan along with countless Zuppan and Carmichael cousins. She was preceded six months earlier by her beloved brother Benjamin Zuppan and many years ago by her parents Ben and Mary Zuppan.

The greatest honor you can bestow Marilyn is to attend her funeral mass at St. Basil's the Great Catholic Church, 1230 Nebraska St., Vallejo on May 19th at 10 am. Reception to follow at St. Basil's gym. Rosary to be held at Twin Chapels Mortuary, 1100 Tennessee St., Vallejo on Friday May 18th at 7 pm with visitation beginning at 3 pm.

In Marilyn's honor and for her love of Catholic Education, a scholarship fund has been established to award students graduating from St. Basil's who plan to attend Catholic High School. Marilyn Carmichael Scholarship Fund, PO Box 5171, Vallejo Ca 94591.

In lieu of that, she loved flowers- they should be directed to Twin Chapels Mortuary in Vallejo.

Arrangements entrusted to the direction and care of Twin Chapels Mortuary, Vallejo (707) 552-6696  
[www.TwinChapelsMortuary.com](http://www.TwinChapelsMortuary.com)

# Events

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**MAY** **Visitation** 03:00PM - 07:00PM

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Twin Chapels Mortuary

1100 Tennessee Street, Vallejo, CA, US, 94590

**MAY** **Vigil Service** 07:00PM

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1100 Tennessee Street, Vallejo, CA, US, 94590

**MAY** **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM

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St. Basil's Catholic Church

1230 Nebraska Street, Vallejo, CA, US, 94590

# Comments

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“ Miss you my mother love your daughter and Lambie

**Celia Carmichael** - March 31, 2020 at 05:01 PM

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“ Your students: Marc, Jennifer, Rachelle Estepa purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Marilyn E. Carmichael.



**Your students: Marc, Jennifer, Rachelle Estepa** - May 18, 2018 at 01:53 AM

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“ Mrs. Carmichael as an educator personified the immense impact all educators have had in my life... compassionate in times of embarrassment and ridicule, empowering in having a direct influence in my self-respect, invaluable in developing my work ethic at an impressionable age, graceful and influential in deepening my thirst for the Lord's truths and loving as only an educator, mother and friend could... and I say this knowing I am one of hundreds of beautiful men and women whom have also had the privilege in knowing her and being educated and loved by her. The friends I made at the time of my life when she was my educator... I hold all friends since up to this standard. In the same way, the educators I have had in my life, I hold to Mrs. Carmichael's standard. With all respect due, many have fallen short. I know the man I strive to be today was directly influenced by Mrs. Carmichael and the faculty at St. Basil's. God Bless the Soul of this Beautiful, Important, Invaluable woman. May God's Grace blanket the family of our Beloved, Mrs. Carmichael. With Best Regards, Joel Aguilar

**Joel Aguilar** - May 13, 2018 at 10:19 PM



“ You honor her immensely. Thank you — Carmichael family

**celia carmichael** - May 14, 2018 at 02:44 PM

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“ Bob and Kael Triglia purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Marilyn E. Carmichael.



**Bob and Kael Triglia** - May 12, 2018 at 04:07 PM

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“ Marilyn was such a beautiful, caring, kind women. She made this world a better place.  
We feel blessed to have known her. We love you Marilyn. Hope you and Begonia are having fun up there like you did as teenagers! Sending love to your family.

**Kael Triglia** - May 12, 2018 at 03:29 PM



“ Thank you. She dearly loved all of you.

**celia carmichael** - May 14, 2018 at 02:46 PM

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“ George Fulton lit a candle in memory of Marilyn E. Carmichael



**George Fulton** - May 11, 2018 at 01:19 PM

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“ My eternal love to my beloved mother. Thank you for so much love your daughter and buddy Celia “dolly dolly”

**celia carmichael** - May 10, 2018 at 05:21 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss Celia. You were such a devoted daughter. xxxooo

**Kael Triglia** - May 12, 2018 at 03:31 PM

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“ Celia Carmichael lit a candle in memory of Marilyn E. Carmichael



**celia carmichael** - May 10, 2018 at 05:19 PM