



Carol Mary Nickerson

February 28, 1943 - November 9, 2025

Carol Mary Nickerson, 82, of Mint Hill, North Carolina, passed away peacefully on November 9, 2025, surrounded by the love of family and friends.

Born in Farmington, Michigan, Carol was the daughter of the late Carl and Elizabeth (Wedyke) Stipcak. She grew up with a strong sense of family and resilience, values that would guide her through every chapter of her life. In 1980, she made Charlotte her home, bringing with her a spirit of determination and warmth that quickly took root in the community.

As the proud owner of Gino's Auto Repair, she ran the business for 35 years with grit, integrity, and a deep commitment to her customers. Her work ethic was matched only by her generosity, and she became a trusted figure in the neighborhood.

Outside of work, Carol found joy in sewing, quilting, and sharing time with those she loved. Whether creating a quilt or sharing a laugh over coffee, Carol's legacy is stitched into the hearts of those she touched - through her work, her warmth, and the love she gave so freely. She will be remembered not only for the life she lived, but for the lives she enriched along the way.

Carol is survived by her children: Mindy (John) Swarthout, Larry (Darla) Garagiola, Tony (Becky) Garagiola, and Gino (Kim) Garagiola; ten

grandchildren and nine great grandchildren; her special friends Sherie Gordon and Debbie Pott; and friends and family who will carry her memory forward with love. She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Patricia Schlusler.

A private memorial service to honor Carol's life will be held. The family has entrusted the compassionate care of Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home during this time of remembrance.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carol Mary Nickerson*



Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home - November 21, 2025 at 01:33 PM



“ *Chromatech Inc planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Mary Nickerson.*

Chromatech Inc - November 19, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Carol Mary Nickerson.*



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“ *Love, Ironwood Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Carol Mary Nickerson.*



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“ It's hard to put into words how much Carol meant to me. I've known her for more than half of my life. I was married at her house on Blue Willow. We took so many trips together, from Western Carolina, Atlantic City, Myrtle Beach, Memphis, Vegas and so many more. Thanks for being a part of my life. Rest in peace , my dear friend.

Debbie - November 18, 2025 at 08:50 PM