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Carol Wachter, 89, of Madison, Tennessee, sadly passed away on February 10, 2025. She was born on October 30, 1935, in Van Horne, Iowa, to the late Anton Martin Hessenius and Mathilda Lauterwasser.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by son-in-law, Tom Travaglini; sisters, Lucille (George) Hartman, Rosella (Everett) Fruendt, Ruth (William) Jahlas, Lois (Robert) Struck, and Dorothy (John) Runyon.

She is survived by her children, Jacquie Travaglini, Rodney (Debbie) Wachter, Vicki (Jim) Barnes, and Mark (Lisa) Wachter; sister, Joan (Russell) Lindburgh; grandchildren, Kaile (Greg) O'Morrissey, Kari (Garrett) Copeland, Colby Wachter, Ty Travaglini, Trett Travaglini, Tate (Jenna) Travaglini, Calvron Wachter, Clayton Wachter, and Colton Wachter; greatgrandchildren, Thor Travaglini, Torin Travaglini, Brooks Copeland, Baylor Copeland, Tessa Travaglini, and Benton O'Morrissey.

As a young child she enjoyed working on the family farm in Van Horne, Iowa. She grew up in a large family as one of the seven girls. Carol enjoyed sewing, quilting and ceramics. She loved to travel, and her favorite vacations were trips to Alaska and Aruba. She enjoyed sporting events, especially if one of her grandchildren or great grandchildren were playing. She once said her favorite holiday was Easter because that is when everything started to bloom. She went to grade school in Iowa at St John's Lutheran and graduated from Van Horne High School, where she was named All-State Basketball. She also attended business school in Iowa. She spent part of her working career as office manager in her husband's law firm, and then later, she worked as office manager in her son's chiropractic business, Springfield Chiropractic. Throughout her life, and



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especially in retirement, she filled her days spending time with grandchildren, family members, and helping friends and neighbors. She attended Ascension Lutheran Church in Madison, TN.

For many years she hosted weekly family dinners at her home. As the family grew larger, it became more difficult for her to be the solo host. One of her sons and his wife wanted to carry on this family tradition; therefore, Sunday night dinners and most holidays were celebrated together at her son's home. She was always there and loved every minute!

Family meant the world to her, and she enjoyed getting everyone together for meals and family events and celebrations. She always said, "Friends may come and go, but family is forever". She brought laughter, joy, and happiness to everyone who crossed her path. She stressed the importance of being together as a family, and she always wanted to give or get a hug and kiss when you left her presence. She was always willing to help and would give everything away if she thought someone needed it more than her. She also loved her Boston Terrier, Charlie. She especially enjoyed it when he wanted to be in all the family photos. Anytime a camera was out, Charlie would quickly get into the photo, look at the camera perfectly, all without prompting. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate towards the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Visitation will be Saturday, February 15, 2025, from 12 o'clock in the afternoon until the time of service. The funeral service will be at 2 o'clock in the afternoon in the Spring Hill Chapel.



Events

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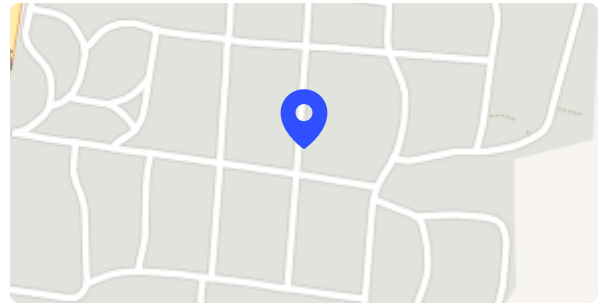
Visitation

- 📅 **Saturday**, February 15, 2025
- 🕒 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT
- 📍 **Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



Funeral Service

- 📅 **Saturday**, February 15, 2025
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February 15 at 7:53 AM



Sandra Kanon posted:

When we moved across the street from Carol in late Autumn 2013, the leaves on our gigantic trees had just begun to fall. In my futile attempt at gathering the leaves into a gigantic pile with improper tools, Carol must've seen my plight from across the street and came bearing rakes and scoops. Thus began one of the most endearing and pleasurable neighbor relationships of our lives. If only everyone had a neighbor like Carol, the world would, indeed, be a better place. She will be sorely missed.

February 15 at 6:00 AM



Sandi Martin posted:

Dear Wachter Family,,Your Mom, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, mother in law, and many other titles, meant so much to me. As a young woman trying to find her way back in the 80's, God graciously let us find each other and she became a part of my life for over 40 years. I affectionally referred to her as my "Nashville mom," as she always made a point to make me feel like family.Carol and I have had so many fun times these past few years and I made sure that I came to see her at least once every year. I grew to love our acupuncture appointments, our last one being in November. I can almost see her curled up in that chair so relaxed.One of my favorite memories I have is when we saw the Oak Ridge Boys at the Opryland hotel a couple years back. The dinner and the show were among the best we had seen and that whole night was simply memorable and fun.There will never be another Carol but because she put her hope in Jesus, she is with Him now and I will see her again.Unfortunately, due to a lingering sickness, I am not able to make the trip from Virginia, but be assured I will be remembering you all in prayer as you all celebrate the life of a woman so dearly loved.Much love,Sandi Martin

February 15 at 4:54 AM



M Robeson posted:

First met her at granddaughter Kari husband baseball game ...she always had a smile ..loved her family greatly ...know they will miss her ...love to all m and b robeson

February 13 at 10:24 AM



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TM

Team O'Morrissey sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Wachter family.

February 13 at 5:01 AM



TM

Team O'Morrissey planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Carol.

February 13 at 5:01 AM



JL

John & Karen Jahlas Alli, Josh & Lexie sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Wachter family.

February 13 at 4:45 AM



CF

Connie Jahlas And Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Wachter family.

February 12 at 3:55 PM



PF

Patty, Wally And All Family. sent a Serene Retreat to the Wachter family.

February 12 at 2:44 PM



FF

Frank And Barbara Harris And Family sent a Small Garden Dish to the Wachter family.

February 12 at 6:23 AM





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Join us in honoring Carol by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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