



Carol Ann Minarick

March 2, 1942 - February 11, 2020

Easton—Whether participating in Civil Rights sit-ins, championing the memorialization of Frederick Douglass, or working a full day in her studio, Carol Ann Minarick dedicated herself to fighting for what she believed in. Nothing about Carol was routine. She passed away in her home in Easton, MD on February 11, 2020.

Carol was born to Helen and Frank Patlan in Passaic, NJ on March 2, 1942 and lived in Garfield and East Paterson before moving to Hartley, DE. She graduated with a degree in Political Science in 1964 from the University of Delaware where she developed her joy of and contagious energy for questioning the status quo.

She met her future husband, Joseph Minarick, through a mutual friend, and the two were married in 1969. Her son, Joseph William Minarick IV, was born in 1975 in Lynchburg, VA. A prolific painter and artist, Minarick had over 20 solo exhibitions of her work including gallery shows in New York, Philadelphia, Washington DC, and at the Academy Art Museum in Easton, MD with “A Series is Not a Series” in 2015. Throughout her career, she collaborated with many like-minded artists, exhibiting works in numerous group installations including with Artists for Syrian Relief and at the Adkin’s Arboretum, where her award-winning work currently can be seen. Her major collaborative work, “Lost Synagogues of the Holocaust,” is part of the permanent collection at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

From 1978 through 2001, Minarick lived and worked in Oak Ridge, TN. There she taught art and experimental watercolor workshops, curated exhibitions at the Children’s Museum, and displayed her work at the Knoxville Museum of Art.

Since buying her beloved home in Easton, MD in 2001, Minarick served as a member of the Historic District Commission and, most recently, as a Trustee at the Academy Art Museum, where she was a member of the Exhibitions and Permanent Collection committees.

Throughout her life, Carol worked to make the world around her a better place, helping the community through her vision and her art. She was never idle in the face of the oppressive or the banal, and she never backed down from a good argument.

Carol is preceded in death by her sister, Alice Patlan, and her parents. She is survived by her husband, Joseph William Minarick III, her son, Joseph William Minarick IV, her two

grandchildren, Calista and Aiden, and her collaborator and “evil twin,” Mary Ann Schindler.

A visitation will be held on Monday, February 17, 2020 from 6:00-8:00PM at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home at 200 South Harrison St., Easton, MD. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Academy Art Museum Permanent Collection Fund or the Virginia Center for Creative Arts.

Events

FEB **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Easton Location

200 South Harrison St., Easton, MD, US, 21601

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 17 at 09:18 AM



“ Carol, I will miss you. You were one of my brightest lights during the years you lived in TN. I vividly remember the moment you picked one of your beautiful creations off the wall during an exhibit at the armory and handed it to my 5 year old child as a present. That was at the very beginning of our friendship. You were always inspiring and kind, funny at times and very witty. You left a big mark on this earth and your beautiful art is very prominently displayed in our home in Philly and reminds me how lucky I have been to have known you. Rest In Peace dear Carol. My very best to Joe and Joe.

Hanna Shapira - February 20 at 10:05 PM



“ "Nothing about Carol was routine." That sums up the vivacious woman I had the honor of meeting during the years I worked with her husband. Amazing lady.

Lisa Beavers (Moore) - February 18 at 07:15 AM



“ Carol; I am sorry that I did not get to see your smiling face one more time before you slipped off to your next adventure. I loved getting to know you - your defiance and playfulness and kind-hearted spirit. I loved seeing you at a party and hearing the new name that you had adopted for the occasion. I loved visiting with you in your studio when I had artist friends in town, and being inspired and challenged and sometimes quite puzzled by your work. I especially loved the last visit that the three of us had - you, me, and Joe sitting on your front porch and talking quietly about how precious is our time on this earth. I will miss you my friend.

I won't be there to offer my condolences this evening, as I committed to joining a group going to Annapolis to demand climate action from our legislators. I will carry your spirit into that fight. My very best to Joe, and to your son, and to the many others who love and will miss you dearly. Sail on, silver girl; your time has come to shine, and we are all sailing not far behind. Mary Yancey

Mary M Yancey - February 17 at 10:35 AM



“ 56 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 17 at 09:04 AM



“ Very sad to learn of the passing of Carol.
A wonderful person and beautiful soul.
Carol's "Chauvet" yellow, still after more than 20 years, warms my heart.

Catherine Braunstein - February 16 at 10:27 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Carol Ann Minarick.



February 16 at 01:51 PM



“ We will always remember Carol-a good and loving person. Her memory will live on in our hearts forever. Carol

Carol Conlin - February 15 at 12:09 PM



“ How sad to lose another wonderful artist and beautiful person. My condolences to Joe and her family. Carla Howell

carla howell - February 14 at 05:22 PM