



## The Rev. Carol Callaghan

September 9, 1946 - August 19, 2022

The Reverend Carol Callaghan, a deacon in the Episcopal Diocese of Easton, Maryland, died on August 19, 2022. Ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on July 23, 2005, by the Right Reverend James Shand, Tenth Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, Carol served Christ Church Easton until her retirement in May 2014.

Carol was beloved by her church community. She rejoiced in their work together devoted to the Church through ministry, discipleship, study, prayer and fellowship. Many received the grace of Carol's pastoral care and by exploring with her the mysteries of their faith. She taught classes in the Old Testament and New Testament, Spiritual Discipline, and The Episcopal Church. She led devotions and studies tied to the Christian liturgical year, a weekly Healing Service, a Women's Prayer Group, and Compline. Under her leadership, Christ Church joined the national Stephen Ministry organization that raises up members of a congregation to provide one-to-one care to people hurting and in crisis. Congregants were trained by the Rev. Callaghan to be lay Eucharistic ministers, lectors, acolytes, and Stephen Ministers.

Prior to joining the Episcopal clergy, Carol taught in the Montgomery County Public Schools for nearly twenty years, from 1978 to 1997. She held a Master's degree in English and taught literature – especially Shakespeare – to at-risk teens in an alternative high school. "I found I could respond to the pain

of teenagers – the abused, neglected, unloved, hurt and lonely,” she said.

Carol met her husband of thirty-three years, Kevin Callaghan, at MCPS. Together they worked alongside mental health professionals to help the students and their families. Carol and Kevin moved to the Eastern Shore in 1997. Carol began her Christian discernment after an experience with the Divine in a small hamlet in Ireland, and she found early encouragement first from the Rev. Harry Bainbridge and, later, support and trust from the Rev. William Ortt.

Carol Lee Cox was born September 9, 1946, in Baltimore, Maryland, the eldest child of Marilyn Donahue Cox and James Allen Cox. She is survived by her beloved, Kevin; a daughter, Elizabeth Scott; a grandson, Joseph Scott; brothers, Robert Cox and Fred Hollingsworth; nieces, Ashley Cox and Tricia Hollingsworth; nephew, Fred Hollingsworth; and a loving extended Callaghan family. A sister, June Moore, predeceased her.

A funeral service will be held at Christ Church, 111 South Street, on Wednesday, September 7 at 11:00 a.m.

Memorial donations may be made to Talbot Hospice, 586 Cynwood Drive, Easton, MD 21601 or Talbot Interfaith Shelter, 107 Goldsborough Street, Easton, Maryland 21601.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM.

Christ Church  
111 Harrison St.  
Easton, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *The Rev. Carol Callaghan*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *The Rev. Carol Callaghan*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *The Rev. Carol Callaghan*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I loved Carol so much she was always there for me. I cleaned there house for many years. Every Christmas she always had a real Christmas tree in her living room but never decorated except for one year there was one green bulb. R.I.P. my dear friend. 🙏❤️🙏 for family and friends*

**Lorraine Morrissey** - September 07, 2022 at 09:32 AM



“ *Carol, you have taught us all how to love well. Living life with you and going to the retreat center with you is so precious to me. How we all will miss you, my friend.*

**jean duncan** - September 06, 2022 at 09:19 PM

KJ

“ Sweet Carol, You and I quickly became friends back in 2002 when I joined your very first Inquirer’s class. Our friendship has continued to grow through the years in faith, love, sharing , compassion, joy filled times, travel, quiet times together at the Convent, tears and most of all just being in each other’s caring presence all these years.

My love goes with you and I will always hold you closely in my heart.

Your sister in Christ’s love ❤️

Karen

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**Karen Jenks** - September 04, 2022 at 07:50 PM



“ Carol gave me this small gift years ago as I completed her class for those beginners in the faith. It has rested on my desk in Annapolis ever since. A reminder from St. Francis of Assisi’s call to share the peace of Jesus. She taught me much. Christ divided history. Turned us to God. She always called me to be in circle, as I, the loner by nature, always find myself not being in the discussion. I even know how to accept the bread of life and the chalice through her teaching. Godspeed, with fairwinds and following seas, Carol.



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**Mark Powell** - August 31, 2022 at 08:38 PM

PK

“ Carol you will be missed by so many. Say HI to Joe for me. You were such good friends!

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**Pam Kettinger** - August 30, 2022 at 05:59 PM

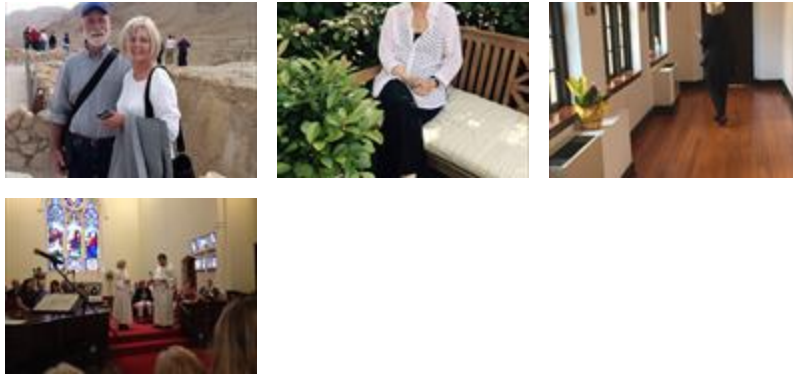
LF

“ Carol changed the experience of love of God for so many of us because she exemplified the glow of immersion in his love. We were grateful that we could be nearer to him by being near Carol. She helped us explore our own relationship with him. Carol was fun and had a wonderful laugh. She and I made a trip to Baltimore one day and took turns riding a camel at the zoo.

Liz Freedlander - August 30, 2022 at 12:47 PM

KB

“ 4 files added to the album The Rev. Carol Callaghan



Kitty Bayh - August 29, 2022 at 11:13 AM

CH

“ Carol you so comforting to me and my family when my father passed several years ago. You will now be with my father and Mother in eternity. Prayers and thoughts are with your family now. 🙏🙏



Carolyn Howell - August 29, 2022 at 06:33 AM

KB

*“ We loved you Carol, and you loved us back. "Good night, sweet friend, may hosts of angels sing you to thy rest."*

**Kitty Bayh** - August 27, 2022 at 11:47 AM

PF

*“ Although we knew that Carol was in the final stage of life, it is still very sad to read of her passing. She was a fine person who exemplified what it means to be a Christian. It was interesting to read that her teaching involved meeting the needs of those particularly challenged. I did not know this, but am not the least bit surprised by it. Her time here was a blessing to the community. My prayers are with her family.*



**Phil Foster** - August 27, 2022 at 04:35 AM

BW

*I went to high school with Carol. We went to Young Life together, and many activities in high school I shared with her. She was a cheer leader for the teams I played on. As I read what Carol accomplished after high school I am not surprised. Those gifts and qualities were evident to me as a classmate. I am sad to learn of her passing but joyous to hear all she did and was to so many. We lost a good, good woman and a servant of our Lord. Condolences and prayers for her family , church community, and many friends. Bo White DHS Bluffton SC*

**Bo White** - September 03, 2022 at 02:07 PM

LR

*Carol Lee was my cousin,the one who would sit down with you in a private corner and say how are you,really. We had alot of fun as kids. She and Mike got away with everything, June and I always got caught. She was beautiful inside and out. I was blessed to know her. Linda*

**Linda Roseberry** - September 05, 2022 at 03:22 PM