



## Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry

December 14, 1936 - September 12, 2025

Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry, born in 1936 in the family home in the Roseland area of Chicago, died at home in Holland, Michigan on Friday, September 12, 2025. She was the fifth of twelve children, eleven of whom survived to adulthood.

Watch the Live Stream of the Funeral Service here: <https://www.youtube.com/live/98912BZMTTI>

Carolyn graduated from Hope College and Rush-Presbyterian St. Luke's School of Nursing. She taught nursing at "Pres.St. Luke's" where she met Warren L. Lowry, MD, in 1962. They married in 1963, and by 1969 were joined by Ruth, Laura, David, and William.

Warren, Carolyn and their children moved from Chicago to Rockford, Illinois where Warren established his medical practice in urology. She was committed to Christian education for her children, worked to bring enhanced 9-1-1 services to northern Illinois, and served a local mission that served in Christ's name those among us who struggle with addictions and poverty.

Carolyn relished introducing her children to most of the states in the union, sometimes with Warren and sometimes solo driving them in the back of the family 1977 two-tone green Mercury Colony Park station wagon. Eager to

expand her children's education, she read aloud every word of every historical marker she ever saw, and every word of every plaque in every museum they ever visited, a habit some of her children have chosen to adopt as well.

Her children all went to Hope College in Holland, Michigan, where Warren and Carolyn chose to establish a vacation home on Lake Macatawa. This home became the center for many extended family gatherings with joyous memories, and mercifully fewer injuries than deserved during her children's adolescent and college years. Warren and Carolyn chose to retire there, where she also chose to spend her final months.

Carolyn was a skilled cook and a hospitable hostess for gatherings small and large held in her homes for friends, colleagues of Warren, and extended family.

Carolyn is survived by her husband Warren, her children Ruth, Laura, David (Donna), and William (Shalom) and her grandchildren Daniel (Becca), Margaret, Will, Sam, Jon, David, Alex, and Phoebe. She is also survived by four siblings, Lois, Edwin, William, and Gloria, surviving spouses of the eleven, as well as dozens of nieces and nephews.

The family celebrates Carolyn's life and welcomes friends and extended family to the visitation and funeral:

Visitation: Friday, September 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. EST at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street in Holland, MI 49423.

Funeral: Saturday, September 20 at 11 a.m. EST at Christ Memorial Church, 595 Graafschap Road, Holland, MI 49423.

# Cemetery Details

## Lakewood Cemetery

2197 West Lakewood Blvd  
Holland, MI 49424

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 East 16th Street  
Holland, MI 49423

## Funeral

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM (ET)

Christ Memorial Church  
595 Graafschap Road  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Watch Funeral Service in memory of Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - September 23, 2025 at 04:08 PM



“ *We are deeply saddened by Aunt Carolyn's passing and so sorry that we cannot be there with you to honor her life in person. We are in New York with Skylar and Kehan, but our thoughts and prayers are very much with all of you.*

*Aunt Carolyn's warmth, generosity, and dedication to family have left such a lasting impact on us. We will always treasure the wonderful memories of spending the 4th of July at the lake house — the laughter, the fireworks, boat rides, the big family meals she so lovingly hosted. Her hospitality made everyone feel welcome and part of something special.*

*Please know that even from afar, we are holding you close in our hearts during this difficult time. Aunt Carolyn's love for her family and her faith were extraordinary, and we will honor her by carrying that same love and kindness forward.*

*Love to all of you,  
Dawn*

Dawn DeYoung DeWitt - September 20, 2025 at 08:34 AM



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**Dawn DeYoung DeWitt** - September 20, 2025 at 08:27 AM



“ The Husbands Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry.



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**The Husbands Family** - September 18, 2025 at 06:06 PM

SB

“ Susan E Green and Timothy Bakeman purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry.



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**Susan E Green and Timothy Bakeman** - September 17, 2025  
at 07:27 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry.



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September 16, 2025 at 02:35 PM

LD

“ Lisa D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ann DeYoung Lowry.

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**Lisa D.** - September 16, 2025 at 12:23 PM

SA

“ *The Lowry Family was a true blessing to First Covenant Rockford, IL. My mother & father, Rollo & Caroline Skoglund, taught Sunday School & Boy Scouts to all of her children. Carolyn & Warren always sat in front of us during the Sunday morning service. And Warren took very good care of my father during a very difficult time in his life. I remember how they always opened their beautiful home to visitors to our church. And I love to see Warren's Facebook entries about the two of them. And I know that Carolyn is with our Lord and Savior.*

*Shelley Andrukaitis*

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**Shelley Andrukaitis** - September 16, 2025 at 10:55 AM

TV

“ *I am so thankful to have met Carolyn at the Faithfulness Circle meetings at Christ Memorial Church. Her faith in our Savior, her devotion to her dear Warren and family, and the gratitude for each day she was given to live for her Lord never ceased no matter how her health or mobility differed each Thursday.*

*I am thankful to have known her and will remember her fondly.*

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**Tamara Velderman** - September 15, 2025 at 07:10 PM