



Carolee Virginia Kelly

August 1, 1937 - December 30, 2018

A loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great grandmother. Carolee died of natural causes on December 30 at the age of 81 at Sarasota Memorial Hospital.

The daughter of Harry and Adelle Rieger of Summerfield, Illinois, Carolee Kelly earned her degree in nursing from the Evangelical Deaconess Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri and moved to Sarasota in 1957 with plans to travel the world, but wound up staying. It was here that she met and married her husband of 51 years, Thomas E. Kelly. She worked as an ER nurse for four years, as head nurse for Dr. George Bishopric for 28 years and as a nurse for Dr. Fred Harvey for 14 years, before retiring in 2002. She also volunteered at school libraries, teaching kids to read at Brookside and Gulf Gate schools. She loved reading, traveling, doting on her husband, children and grandchildren, spending time with her many friends, and spoiling her dachshunds.

Carolee is survived by sister Pauline Laux, her sons John, Michael, and Daniel, her daughters-in-law Michelle and Kristen, her nephew Kurt, her nieces Alice and Sarah, her grandsons Phillip, Jacob, Aidan, Kyle, and Oliver, her granddaughter Emily ("DeeJay"), her great-grandsons Adam ("Mikie"), Julian, Matthew, Princeton, Quinton, and Christopher, her great-granddaughter Jasmine, and her great-great granddaughters Gianna and

Vivienne.

A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, January 9 at 9:30 AM at Church of the Incarnation-2901 Bee Ridge Rd, Sarasota, FL 34239. Burial will follow at 12:30 PM at Sarasota National Cemetery - 9810 State Rd 72, Sarasota, FL 34241.

Toale Brothers Funeral Homes in charge of arrangements.