



Carolyn "Sue" Poulson

April 25, 1936 - January 24, 2021

Carolyn "Sue" Poulson, 84 of Bluffton, passed away on Sunday January 24th at Signature Healthcare in Fort Wayne.

Sue was born on April 25, 1936 in Linn Grove, Indiana to John S. and Ida I. (Hunnicut) Collins. She was a 1954 graduate of Bluffton High School. After graduation, Sue attended Secretarial School at Ball State University. Sue was proud to have been the first person hired when Corning Glass Works came to Bluffton in 1964. She worked at Corning for 20 years and for the Indiana Department of Revenue for 17 years, retiring in 2002.

Sue is survived by her former husband; Ira "Bob" Poulson of Liberty Center, sons; Steven R. (Angela) Poulson of Maryville, TN and Andrew L. (Brooke Brown) Poulson of Liberty Center, Step Grandchildren; Megan Schlechty, Ryan Weikel, Cory Weikel and Cody Brown.

She is preceded in death by her parents and brothers; William L., Ted J. and Dean Lewis Collins.

Sue was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Bluffton. She was a staunch Republican and quite a character, who always enjoyed making everyone laugh. Although Sue had been in declining health for several years, the family is pretty sure that the inauguration of Joe Biden was the last straw. Throughout her life, Sue never wanted to receive flowers. She always said they reminded her of a funeral. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Childhood Leukemia Foundation or Riley Children's Hospital and can be sent to the funeral home.

Public visitation will take place on Wednesday, (Jan. 27, 2021) from 2 – 4 & 5 – 7 P.M. at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral Services will be 10:30 A.M. on Thursday (Jan. 28, 2021) at the funeral home with Barry Crosbie officiating and calling for one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Stahl Cemetery in Bluffton.

The safety of the family and all visitors is our utmost priority. For everyone's safety, we ask that you practice social distancing. Masks are required for visitation and for the funeral and cemetery service. During the current COVID-19 guidelines, we are only allowed a limited number of people in the building at a time. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the Poulson family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Stahl Cemetery

3191 E 700 S
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

Visitation

JAN 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

JAN 28. 9:30 AM - 10:30 PM (ET)

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Bluffton, IN 46714
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Funeral Service

JAN 28. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - January 27, 2021 at 01:55 PM

DP

Happy heavenly birthday, Sue !!! 📅❤️❤️ I'll never forget our days sharing the upstairs rooms at Fern Eddy's house when we were Ball State students !!! 📅❤️❤️ Loved you so much, Sue. Dianne Miller Putt

Dianne Miller Putt - April 28, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ *Carolyn "Sue" Poulson*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM

HS

“ From the day Sue first pulled my wiener curl pigtails, and, I retaliated, hitting her on the head with my spelling book, we have been best friends. For eight decades, we played together and laughed together. Our morning conversations always included laughter.

Sue was a strong, proud and capable person in her professional and personal life. As voluntary secretary for the Class of 54, Sue kept us together, organized our reunions, and provided the latest news and gossip. I know we all appreciated her efforts, Sue was my dear friend and I miss her.

With love, Harriet

Harriet Sprague - February 26, 2021 at 06:42 PM

DW

“ Don & Kristi Williams lit a candle in memory of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson



Don & Kristi Williams - January 26, 2021 at 10:00 PM

LL

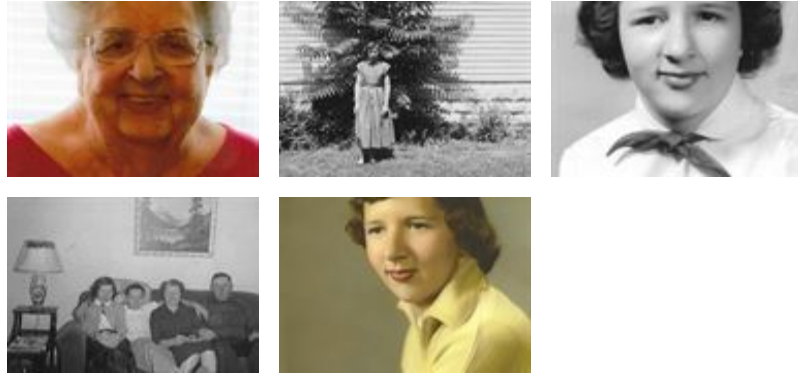
“ Linda Lozano lit a candle in memory of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson



Linda Lozano - January 26, 2021 at 02:57 PM



“ 62 files added to the album LifeTributes



Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - January 26, 2021 at 12:45 PM



“ Poulson family, Best obit ever. May God bless and comfort you.
Valerie Wilson Jackson

Valerie Jackson - January 26, 2021 at 10:35 AM



“ Richard And Jill lit a candle in memory of
Carolyn "Sue" Poulson



Richard and Jill - January 26, 2021 at 10:35 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the
family of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson.



January 26, 2021 at 07:47 AM

GP

“ *My Heart is sad for you Steve, a loving, caring, fun lady has left this world.*

Oh, what fun we had on those band trips whenever Sue was a Chaperone! No matter if we lost the competition, had rain, kids forgot their instruments, or socks, or band hats, Sue would always be positive and see the bright side.

Even with her years of ill health, Sue never lost her zest for life, or positive spirit. A true friend, jolly, kind, sweet, and gentle.

Sending you warm hugs, prayers and much love.

Glenna Plummer - January 25, 2021 at 03:24 PM

SM

“ *Suzanne Markley lit a candle in memory of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson*



Suzanne Markley - January 25, 2021 at 03:23 PM

JB

“ Aunt Sue was always so much fun to be around! When I was young we began exchanging gifts whenever we were together. It would be silly gifts. It might be stuff in her junk drawer that she cleaned out and didn't want, or a box of dead flowers, or garden seed packets without the seeds! One time she gave me a banana peel in a styrofoam cup. I put in in the freezer and then gave it back to her the next time we were together. That banana peel went back & forth for a long time!

She used to tell the funniest stories! I think everyone just loved being around her.

Love you Sue!

Jean (and Kevin) Brown

Jean Brown - January 25, 2021 at 02:00 PM

LC

“ Cousin Sue has left me with a lot of funny memories. She was a joy to be around and we were together anytime we had the chance. We had fun and mischievous times together. We got in trouble a time or two! Oh the memories! I remember staying overnight with Sue and Aunt Ida would make us hot chocolate & toast. She would make a big stack of toast and Sue & I would race to see who could eat the most! Another time I was at Sue's with my bike. When Mom & Dad came to get me, Sue thought we should take off on our bikes. We rode all over town and Mom & Dad had to drive around and find us. Dad was mad! That is the only time I got a lickin and it was over the fender of the car when we got home.

We had too many fun times to mention. I will miss her tremendously.

Rest in Peace,
Cuz Louise & Harold Campbell

Louise Campbell - January 25, 2021 at 01:38 PM

BO

“ I was so sorry to hear of Sue’s death. Her mother, Ida, and my mother, Bernice Baker, were in Eastern Star together, and were in a couple of bridge clubs! Sue and I connected on Facebook awhile back and enjoyed reminiscing about “back when”. I’m sure she will be missed by many! Cherish your many, many wonderful memories



Barbara (Baker) Overdeer, Columbia City, IN

Barbara Overdeer - January 25, 2021 at 11:29 AM

GL

“ Sue was good friends with my husband's grandmother, Lois Kimmer. They shared good times playing Bingo at McDonald's in Bluffton and eating out. So Sorry to hear of Sue's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Glenda Lenwell

Glenda Lenwell - January 25, 2021 at 09:11 AM

JB

“ Jean Bowman And Ron Bowman lit a candle in memory of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson



Jean Bowman and Ron Bowman - January 25, 2021 at 08:19 AM

RW

“ Richard & Lesia Wood lit a candle in memory of Carolyn "Sue" Poulson



Richard & Lesia wood - January 24, 2021 at 08:19 PM

LC

“ SO SORRY STEVE.PRAYERS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

LaRhue Crider - January 24, 2021 at 07:49 PM