



Carol Lavell Brown

July 30, 1940 - August 3, 2021

Carol Lavell Brown, 81, of San Antonio, Texas and Bonita Springs, Florida, passed away peacefully in her sleep on August 3, 2021. Carol was a devoted mother and is lovingly remembered by her “one and only” son, Robert Lee Knox Jr. “Bug” and her grandson Storm Knox. She spent most of her working career in the San Antonio Community as a Social Worker at the State Hospital for 23 years. Carol, firstborn, always adored her siblings. She is survived by her son, Robert Jr., his wife, Valerie, her grandson Storm, and siblings Ruth Ann Zemault, Pam Riley, Wallace “Ace” Washington, Sharon Washington, Noel Washington, and nephew Anthony (Tony) Washington and niece, Veronica Carpenter. She’ll be missed by many nieces and nephews and cousins as well. She was predeceased by her parents, Eara and Joe Washington, her sister Joyce Washington, and her brother Otto Washington. Beloved Grandmother Willie Mae Wilson also preceded her in death. Carol’s cousins Lois Hardaway and Rodney Pledger were always close in her heart, along with dear friend Andrea English. They survive her and mourn her passing, along with many extended family members and friends. We will all miss Carol’s courage, wit, wisdom, and loving dedication to family. Her philosophy is best described in her favorite tune: “Life is just a bowl of cherries, so live and laugh at it all.” Carol will be truly missed but will never be forgotten.

Tribute Wall



“ *Carol Lavell Brown*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Carol Lavell Brown*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *My heartfelt condolences to Robert Jr. Val, and the rest of the family.*

Shirley Willrich - July 01, 2022 at 11:09 AM



“ *You are sadly missed Carol and will never be forgotten. I am forever grateful for all of the support and guidance that you've provided through out my life.*

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Shirley Willrich - July 01, 2022 at 11:05 AM



“ *Dear Rob and Val, I remember Carol was hysterical in how she presented a thought or story. Made me laugh. Such a funny spirited soul who said what she meant and meant what she said LOL. So glad I was able to hug her at your moving party. Sometimes things are timed very peacefully.*

Lane Wilkinson - August 23, 2021 at 09:07 AM

CP

“ My sincere condolences to Carol’s family and friends over the loss of a beloved mother, grandmother and over all beautiful person. I knew her as the pride & joy of her devoted son Rob, and I was in awe of the truly loving relationship they shared. I watched as her loving family Val and Rob took such great care of Carol in her later years. This precious family has truly lost a beloved person, but heaven has gained a very special angel. My heart aches for all of you. Many blessings, thoughts and prayers for you all during this most difficult time in your lives. God bless, Carla Powers Boynton Beach FL

Carla Powers - August 17, 2021 at 07:46 PM

TW

“ My sincere condolences to the family. Lavell and her family welcomed me and my sister with open arms when we moved to Bonita Springs. We shared many birthday and holiday celebrations together. One day while pulling into the parking lot of a grocery store to park, I saw a woman walking to her car. My first thought was “Wow, I love her walk.” Her clothes fit just right and she was walking like her path was paved with gold. As I drove past her, she turned and smiled. Lavell! We talked and laughed for a good long time. A wonderful memory. A wonderful woman.
Thelma

Thelma Woodard - August 16, 2021 at 06:45 AM

RR

“ Carol was a beautiful woman who could light up a room or a moment just by being in it. She will be missed.
With love,
Rick Ranegar

Rick Ranegar - August 15, 2021 at 10:33 AM

AW

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aCE wASHINGTON - August 14, 2021 at 09:35 AM

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aCE wASHINGTON - August 14, 2021 at 09:34 AM

SM

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Carol Lavell when I became friends with her daughter in law, Valerie, and son Rob Knox. We had many fun social engagements, with the group of us, including Val's sister Andrea. Carol Lavell was a great source of support whenever it was needed, and readily provided both reassurance and words of true homespun wisdom. She had a lively spirit that always helped enliven any gathering. I will miss her! A devoted mother and family member, I believe she exemplified the true spirit of motherhood. God bless all in the family and allow all of you to treasure your memories and find peace.

Susan McNeil - August 13, 2021 at 10:52 AM

VK

Thank you for your kind words and loving thoughts Susan

Valerie Knox - August 15, 2021 at 09:23 AM

PR

“ Carol Lavell Brown my "Big Sister". Carol's birthday July 30th and my birthday July 31st. Carol would call and say "Pamela Kay this is your Big Sis Lavell from Bonita Springs Florida Happy Birthday" Carol would use her middle name because she named my first born Andria Lavell.. Carol thank me for encouraging her to retire. . We both worked for the State of Texas. I retired in 2002 and she retired in 2003. Carol said, "I'm glad I listened to my baby sister Pamela Kay . I got my money and retired from those suckers and laughed out loud. Carol was the oldest and she would remind each of us her status your Big Sis. I will miss my Big Sis when it is time to celebrate each other birthday. "To God Be The Glory". Love You, Pam



Pamela Riley - August 12, 2021 at 07:25 PM

AW

“ Oh my, I have so many memories of my big sister Carol, as a kid spending the weekend with her and “Robert Jr” in the Coliseum apartments on Como Street... 😊 as we got older, we would call each other on our birthday and sing Happy Birthday to each with our own spin to the song, then we would talk for hours on the phone. I would say, do you need to charge your cell phone, we been talking for a long time, her response was, I don't use no cell phone. 😊

ACE WASHINGTON - August 12, 2021 at 09:45 AM

AW

“ *The moment I realized,
my sister just died.
My hands cradled my face,
and I frantically cried.*

*Why did this happen,
and how could this be.
She had so much to live for,
we could all clearly see.*

*I was truly lucky,
to have a sister like her.
Countless others,
nod and concur.*

*Rest in peace,
Sister and best friend,
My deepest love,
to the sky I shall send.*

Your Bubba .. "Ace"

ACE WASHINGTON - August 12, 2021 at 09:00 AM

VK

*Beautiful, Uncle Ace. Robert Jr and I love and appreciate you so much.
Valerie*

Valerie Knox - August 15, 2021 at 09:25 AM

VK

“ *Carol Lavell, mother-in-law for the past 19 years, always loved to
shock and surprise with her sense of humor. She'd tell it like it is,
was fun-loving, enjoyed traveling and dancing. Most of all, she
shared stories.*

Valerie Knox - August 12, 2021 at 08:34 AM

VK

Carol had a fantastic memory and would share experiences and conversations that happened years ago. She was a fighter, trailblazer and amazing woman.

Valerie Knox - August 15, 2021 at 09:27 AM

MP

I knew carol for many years. She was sweet and kind. A wonderful person. She will be missed by many.

mindy powell - August 16, 2021 at 11:54 AM