



Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper

April 8, 1944 - January 9, 2018

Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper, 73, of New Castle, passed away on the evening of Tuesday, January 9, 2018 in her home surrounded by her loving family following a lengthy but courageous battle with cancer.

Carolyn was born April 8, 1944 in Mooreland, Indiana, a daughter of the late Kenneth Edgar “Shorty” and Frances Cathlene (Murray) Gard.

She graduated from Mooreland High School in 1962 and married the love of her life, Cecil Cooper, on August 22, 1965. Carolyn was a homemaker and loved spending time with her family. She was an avid bowler and was inducted into the Henry County Women’s Bowling Association Hall of Fame. Carolyn served as secretary of several bowling leagues for over 40 years. She greatly enjoyed state bowling tournaments with the girls, fishing and camping. She was an avid collector of puppy dog and eagle figurines. Carolyn greatly enjoyed spending time at the Mooreland Fair with her brothers and their Red Hot Rhythm Band.

Carolyn is survived by her loving husband and best friend of 52 years, Cecil Cooper; a son, Ken (wife: April) Cooper of New Castle; a daughter, Edna C. “Cathy” Hildebrandt of Roscoe, IL; three grandchildren, Kenneth “James” Hildebrandt, Erica Cooper and Jared Cooper; three step-grandchildren, Brian Cook Jr., Scott A. Cook and Derek S. Cook; two brothers, Gary Gard of

Mooreland and Gerald "Buck" (wife: Betty) Gard of New Castle; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Jacque Gard of Mooreland, Lyle (wife: Carol) Cooper of Fortville, Darlene (husband: Sonny) Westfelt of Chattanooga, TN, Joyce (husband: Bobby) Dick of Mooreland and Larry (wife: Alice) Cooper of Nashville, TN and many cousins, nieces and nephews including her special caregivers, Carmen Orr, Nikki Daffron and Rachel Burns.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Jessica D. Cooper; two brothers, Kenneth Eugene "Gene" Gard and George P. "Muscles" Gard, Sr; a sister-in-law, Darlene Gard; three nephews, Jared Dean Dick, Tony Ray Westfelt and Alan D. Gard and her in-laws, Claude and Edna Cooper.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at Sproles Family Funeral Home with Rev. Matthew Daffron officiating. Burial will follow in Mooreland Cemetery.

Friends may call from 4 - 8 pm on Monday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be offered to the Henry County Bowling Association. You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper.

Cemetery Details

Mooreland Cemetery

7700 US 36
Mooreland, IN 47360

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 15. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home
2400 S Memorial Dr
New Castle, IN 47362
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Service

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *I have many happy memories with Carolyn in our 12 years of school together. Her smile and laugh made her fun to just be around. I offer my sincere sympathy to all of Carolyn's family, especially Cecil. 🌸*

Nancy Chamberlin - January 15, 2018 at 07:02 PM



“ *To Cecil and Family,
My heart goes out to you. I know this little spark plug ment the world to you. Over the years I have missed my times bowling with her and mom. Always knew a fun night was coming. I give you all my prayers, and condolences to you. May god give you love and peace of heart.*

*With Love,
Kyle (Butch) Kendall.
Joyce Ankrom's oldest*

Kyle (Butch) Kendall - January 15, 2018 at 06:38 PM



“ *Cecil, I have many beautiful memories of Carolyn. The weather has prevented me from personally expressing my condolences. I will keep you and your family in my prayers. Please tell Cathy hello for me. Love Phyllis Kirkpatrick*

Phyllis Kirkpatrick - January 15, 2018 at 05:15 PM

SP

“ To Cecil and the rest of the family I was saddened to learn of Carolyns passing and am out of state and can't make it back for the service. So many great memories of Bowling, the Eagle and the Mooreland Fair. All of you will be in my Prayers.

Steven Phillips - January 15, 2018 at 08:18 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper.



January 14, 2018 at 07:50 PM



“ 107 files added to the album LifeTributes



Sproles Family Funeral Home - January 14, 2018 at 06:52 PM

MB

“ *One of the kindest, funniest, and orneriest women I've had the privilege to know. Rest high on that mountain, Carolyn. You are a treasure.*



Myra Burk - January 14, 2018 at 12:28 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper.*



January 14, 2018 at 12:25 PM

JB

“ *Jan & Brent Benematti lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper*



Jan & Brent Benematti - January 14, 2018 at 12:47 AM

BC

“ *CAROLYN WAS NOT ONLY MY DEAR CUZ BUT MY DEAR FRIEND ALSO.
I MISS HER. CUZ BONNIE*

BONNIE CARTER - January 13, 2018 at 09:46 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper.*



January 13, 2018 at 02:46 PM



“ *Wilma Royer Massengale lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper*



Wilma Royer Massengale - January 13, 2018 at 01:28 PM



“ *Sheila Stigall lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper*



Sheila Stigall - January 12, 2018 at 01:09 PM



To the entire Gard family , Please except my condolences. Prayers & love

Sheila Stigall - January 12, 2018 at 01:12 PM



One of the kindest and loving persons I've had the pleasure to know. Give George a hug when you see him. Prayers for the family. Love Barb Bennett

Barbara Bennett - January 15, 2018 at 10:56 AM



“ Jeannette Pitts lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper



Jeannette Pitts - January 12, 2018 at 08:32 AM

RR

“ So sorry to lose Carolyn, what a caring person she was. I always enjoyed talking to her or just getting a hug from her! To Cecil, Cathy and Ken and her entire family, cherish your sweet memories , life can't take those away from us. Praying God wraps his loving arms around each of you and will give you the strength to endure this sad day and the days ahead.



Ron and Donna Ragan - January 11, 2018 at 10:30 PM

DC

“ ♥ Aunt Sue, You will remain in our hearts forever! Precious memories-Donna, Carissa & Brooklyn



Donna, Brooklyn & Carissa - January 11, 2018 at 07:40 PM



Roger Johnson

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. I went to school with Kenny and lived next door to her in laws for many years, when we went to the Moorland Fair, her and Cecil would be the first ones we would look for, and we always gave her a big hug. She always had a great smile, she will be missed.

Roger Johnson - January 11, 2018 at 05:53 PM

NB

“ CC was an awesome lady... She will be missed...

Nancy Burk - January 11, 2018 at 12:36 PM

LF

“ Very nice lady, she will be missed.

Lon Ferrell - January 11, 2018 at 09:22 AM



Kara Curtis

“ Love you my sweet Aunt Sue. Forever loved by all of us girls. I loved coming to your house as a kid and looking at all of the puppy figurines. I'm sure going to miss my happy birthday phone call every year.

Kara Curtis - January 10, 2018 at 11:37 PM

SD

“ Carolyn was one of the nicest & sweetest people I've ever known. She will be missed so much!

Sandy Decker - January 10, 2018 at 09:42 PM

CO

“ Rest in peace my aunt sue, I love you always..
Wonderful memories forever in my heart.
Always here for the family...
What a great honor to have been there for aunt sue and her family.



Carmen orr - January 10, 2018 at 09:04 PM

BH

“ Carolyn was a wonderful warm and caring person and friend to Mike and I. We never saw her without a huge smile and a big hug from her! We will forever have fond and the best memories of her! RIP our friend!! We love you!! Our thoughts and prayers go out to her loving family!

Belita Hardwick - January 10, 2018 at 08:58 PM

SH

“ Sharon lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper



Sharon - January 10, 2018 at 08:57 PM

SH

“ The Rose Bowl will never be the same again. What a pleasure it was to call her friend. I will miss her hugs and smiles. Carolyn was such a huge part of our bowling family. I have no words to describe the emptiness that will be felt every Tuesday night. I love you all, and I pray for peace and comfort these next several days. 💔
Sharon

Sharon - January 10, 2018 at 08:55 PM

WA

LOVE you my sister. You have always been there for me & my family. I will miss you more than anyone Will ever know. R.I.P SWEET AUNT SUE

Wanda - January 11, 2018 at 09:26 AM

BH

“ *Belita Hardwick lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Sue (Gard) Cooper*



Belita Hardwick - January 10, 2018 at 08:52 PM

MH

“ *What a wonderful person and friend Carolyn was to Mike and I. I never saw her without giving a huge smile and a big hug to everyone!! She was and always will be a fond and best memory for us!! We love you Carolyn!!! RIP my friend!!*

Mike and Belita Hardwick - January 10, 2018 at 08:47 PM