



## Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby

March 14, 1943 - August 2, 2022

Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby, 79, of Little Silver passed away on Tuesday, August 2nd, 2022.

Carol was born March 14, 1943 during a blizzard to Alfred Ernest Griffiths and Elizabeth Borden Griffiths, with the mayor of Red Bank in attendance. In high school, she participated in the choir and played clarinet in the marching band. She graduated from Red Bank Regional High School in 1961. After graduation, she worked as an executive receptionist for Bell Labs for 11 years. In 1962, she joined the Monmouth Civic Chorus and continued to sing with them for 25 years. Carol pledged to the Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority in 1970, holding a Preceptor Degree and earning the Order of the Rose (the second highest honor) she was a life-long member of 50+ years.

Carol has been a member of the Bible Study Fellowship International since the 1980s, and followed in her mother's footsteps as the children's choir director. She was also a youth group leader, the bell choir director (and hand bell player), a part of the praise team, and sang in as many choirs as possible. Carol performed for the Arcadian Chorale from 1992 to 2019 (23 years total), Oceanport United Methodist Church's Northeast Cluster Choir, Ocean Grove's choir festivals at the Great Auditorium, and the Manna House "Music Fest" Festivals at St. John's United Methodist Church in Hazlet. Carol simply loved

music and singing, a passion she enjoyed for her entire life which she and her husband Burke did together most of their 54 year marriage.

Over the years, Carol worked as the secretary of the Matawan United Methodist Church in the 1990s, the Cross of Glory Lutheran Church in the early 2000s, and finally her second home: Embury United Methodist Church starting in 2015 until this year.

Carol's commitment to serving the Lord and her Family was continuous until the very end of her life. Carol was known for her love of animals and strays of all types, including insects. She took in and nursed birds, bats, rabbits, turtles, dogs, cats, children, and adults alike. Over 40 children, in addition to her own 3, claim her as an adopted mom.

As a true Jersey Shore native, Carol took solace in the sights and sounds of the ocean, especially during sunrises and sunsets.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents Ernie and Betty Griffiths. She is survived by her beloved husband Burke Mawby; her son James Mawby and his wife Marena; her daughter Karen Alexander and her husband Scott; her son Daniel Mawby and his wife Jennifer; her grandchildren Derek, Ryan, Savannah, Joanna, Bethany, Anthony, and Nicholas; her brother David Griffiths and his wife Jackie and daughters Amanda, Courtney and Lindsey; her Sister-In-Law Sue and husband John Heritage and daughters Jill and Erin & families; Brother-In-Law Glen and his wife Eva and Glen's sons Jake and Michael & families; and over forty honorary children that adopted Carol and Burke as surrogate parents.

Carol's first visitation will be 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Saturday, August 6, 2022 at

Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ. Guests are encouraged to wear their most colorful attire as we all gather to celebrate her life!

Second visitation will be at Embury United Methodist Church, 49 Church Street, Little Silver, NJ on Sunday, August 7, 2022 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, followed by a 1:30 pm Celebration of Life/Funeral service and interment to follow in the church cemetery. Again, guests are encouraged to wear their most colorful attire as we all gather to celebrate her life!

While flowers are beautiful, the family also asks guests consider donations in Carol's honor to Gideons International at [sendtheword.org](http://sendtheword.org) or the Wounded Warrior Project at [woundedwarriorproject.org](http://woundedwarriorproject.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Embury United Methodist Church (Evergreen Memorial Cemetery)

49 Church Street  
Little Silver, NJ

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712  
(732) 918-6200

## Visitation

AUG 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Embury United Methodist Church  
49 Church Street  
Little Silver, NJ

## Funeral Service

AUG 7. 1:30 PM (ET)

Embury United Methodist Church  
49 Church Street  
Little Silver, NJ



# Tribute Wall



“ *Burke and Karen and the rest of the Mawby family: please accept my condolences. Carol was a beautiful, kind, and amazing woman. God bless you all.*

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**Craig Goodwin-Ortiz** - August 07, 2022 at 10:26 PM

AW

“ *Carol we will missed your beautiful voice, your kindness & your dedication to your faith.  
You have left a beautifully legacy and family who will carry your love & faith forever.  
Burke- Lo siento por tu pérdida y el dolor que estás pasando. Besos y abrazos.*

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**Adela E. Wilson** - August 06, 2022 at 07:31 PM

MA

“ *The angelic choir now has a new, fabulous first soprano! How we shall miss having Carol sing with us at Arcadian Chorale, which she did for 23 years. With her deep love of music, she also brought a gracious kindness and concern for others to each rehearsal and performance. May her memory be eternal.*

*Life to us,*

*Marina Alexander*

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**Marina Alexander** - August 06, 2022 at 04:55 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby.



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August 06, 2022 at 04:51 AM



“ I loved you from the day we met. I was a single mom and you helped me with your kindness even though I was a stranger. You were my strength thank you

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**Diana Szeles Gatto** - August 05, 2022 at 08:19 PM



“ Oh the memories of spending about a month with the Mawbys each summer in my childhood and teen years💕💕 My favorite memories is grocery shopping with Carol (Karen & I) would stick snacky foods in the cart and she always bought them for us 🚗 trips to Cheesequake park were a summer highlight. So many fond memories, too many to share. My only regret is that I have not seen Carol in many years! So grateful to the Lord to have spent some time Monday, singing to her and looking forward to reuniting with her in heaven one day💕💕

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**Alicia lamberson** - August 05, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby.



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August 05, 2022 at 10:56 AM

PM

“ *The Mawby's are like family to me and Carol was a very sweet person who loved the Lord and loved her family. I am a fan of Rich Mullins a christian artist who is also in Glory. Rich wrote a song that describes how he thought the moments after passing on too Glory for the believer might be. I thought I would share it. Its called*

### *HOME*

*I see the morning moving over the hills I can see the shadows on the western side And all those illusions that I had They just vanish in Your light Though the chill in the night still hangs in the air I can feel the warmth of morning on my face Though the storm had tossed me 'Til I thought I'd nearly lost my way And now the night is fading and the storm is past And everything that could be shaken was shaken And all that remains is all I ever really had What I'd have settled for You've blown so far away What You brought me to I thought I could not reach And I came so close to giving up But You never did give up on me I see the morning moving over the hills I feel the rush of life here where the darkness broke And I am in You and You're in me Here where the winds of Heaven blow And now the night is fading And the storm is through And everything You sent to shake me From my dreams they come to wake me In the love I find in You And now the morning comes And everything that really matters Become the wings You send to gather me To my home To my home I'm going home*

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**Patrick Matthews** - August 05, 2022 at 09:07 AM

CC

“ For anyone that grew up at the Matawan United Methodist Church, Mrs. Mawby was a part of our world. From choir to youth group she devoted endless hours to our youthful years. So many fond memories to look back on (HungerATHons, Church Sleepovers, Selling Christmas Trees, Elbow Tag, Prayer Requests, and the list goes on!) Thank you Mrs. Mawby! You hold a special place in my heart and memories.

Christine Hohenstein Calcao - August 05, 2022 at 08:49 AM

LI

“ I just want to say to the family how very sorry I am for the loss of your wife and mother. It is always hard when you lose a loved one. It is especially hard to lose your Mom, this is something you never get over. I'm sad that all of Carol's grandchildren will miss out on all the love a grandmother shows to her grandchildren. So now it is up to Carols family to keep her memory alive for them. Rest In Peace Carol, GOD has you in the Palm of His Hands. I know my Mom and Viola are already taking you around to meet the family.

Linda - August 05, 2022 at 12:09 AM

CF

“ Charmaine & Manny Fidalgo lit a candle in memory of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby



Charmaine & Manny Fidalgo - August 04, 2022 at 11:36 PM

LV

“ *Linda Venetucci lit a candle in memory of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby*



**linda venetucci** - August 04, 2022 at 11:15 PM

TF

“ *The Fortunato Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby.*



**The Fortunato Family** - August 04, 2022 at 07:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby.*



August 04, 2022 at 07:27 PM

BH

“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Carol Jean Griffiths Mawby*



**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - August 04, 2022 at 07:15 PM

DN

*The Lord's choir now has the benefit of another beautiful voice. We will certainly miss Carol's wonderful soprano voice in our earthly choirs.*

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**Donna Nilson** - August 08, 2022 at 10:33 AM