



## Carol Hornbeck

December 18, 1931 - April 14, 2026

Carol Hornbeck, age 94, of Royal Oak, passed away on April 14, 2026. She was born on December 18, 1931, in Detroit to the late Alfred and Mabel (Jarvis) Heins.

A 1950 graduate of Ferndale High School, Carol married the love of her life, Jack Hornbeck, later that same year. Together, they began their life in Ferndale, later moving to Clawson, and eventually settling in Royal Oak in 1960, where they built a warm and welcoming home.

Carol was a dedicated volunteer and served for many years as a docent at Meadow Brook Hall, where she shared her love of history and community with others. She had a true gift for gardening and was known for her beautiful flowers and "green thumb." She also enjoyed flower arranging and took great joy in teaching friends how to create decorative bows for gifts, always adding a special touch to any occasion.

A devoted mom, she watched her sons play countless baseball games. She had a great sense of humor, and was adept at trading verbal jabs with her boys.

Above all, Carol cherished her family and the time spent together.

She was the beloved wife of Jack Hornbeck; loving mother of Mark (Lori) Hornbeck and Barry (Kimberly) Hornbeck; proud grandmother of Cassandra (Ryan) Wheeler, Joelle Hornbeck (Matt Bonarek), Blair Hornbeck (Jamie West) and great grandmother of Dominick and Kira; and dear sister of the late Vera, Gwennyth, Gladys, and Doreen.

She will be remembered for her kindness, creativity, and the beauty she brought into the lives of those around her.

In-state visitation will be held Saturday at 10:00 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church of Ferndale, 22331 Woodward Ave., Ferndale.

Memorial contributions in Carol's memory may be made to Meadow Brook Hall, 350 Estate Dr., Rochester, 48309.

To share a memory or offer condolences, please visit [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road  
Troy, MI 48098

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

APR 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Ferndale  
22331 Woodward Avenue  
Ferndale, MI 48220

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carol Hornbeck.*



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April 15 at 09:07 PM



“ *Sending prayers to the sons, Mark and Barry, and the entire family. May your mom's legacy be a memory to all she left behind. And may her soul rest in perpetual peace.*

*With Prayers,  
Rev. Dr. Bea Alghali.*

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**Rev. Dr. Beatrice Alghali** - April 15 at 08:52 PM



“ *Bill and Cindy purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carol Hornbeck.*



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**Bill and Cindy** - April 15 at 07:56 PM