



## Carol W. Patterson

February 28, 1932 - October 10, 2021

Carol W. Patterson passed away at home in Orlando, Florida on October 10, 2021 at the age of 89. Born in Pensacola, Florida on February 28, 1932, Carol grew up in Orlando with her parents Robert L. and Ecenia R. Williams and her brother Robert L. Williams, Jr. Carol attend Delaney Elementary, Cherokee Junior High, Orlando High School, where she made friendships that she maintained for the rest of her life.

After graduating from high school in 1949, Carol attend Florida State University where she pledged Delta Delta Delta (Tri Delta). Carol left FSU when she married U.S. Air Force officer George K. Patterson in 1951. Carol and George lived on Air Force bases around the country and had three children before divorcing in 1976. Carol returned home to Orlando to raise her two youngest children and began working as a legal secretary, first at Beardall and Blankner and then at Giles, Hedrick, and Robinson. Carol later worked in the administrative offices at Valencia Community College before retiring.

Carol was an active member of the Cathedral Church at St. Luke's for many years and was a regular sight walking her beloved schnauzers in her Lake Davis neighborhood. Carol lived the final ten years of her life at Orlando Lutheran Towers where she maintained many longstanding friendships and enjoyed singing with The Downtowners choral group.

Carol is survived by her daughter Leslie Patterson-Bensinger; sons John P. Patterson and David S. Patterson; daughter-in-law Kandi E. Patterson; and grandchildren Alison B. Bensinger, Connor J. Patterson, Erin E. Patterson, and Reilly G. Patterson.

Final service arrangements at St. Luke's will be determined at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research.