



Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba

May 30, 1940 - December 4, 2025

Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba, 85, passed unexpectedly from this earth in the early morning hours of Thursday, December 4, 2025.

Carolee was born May 30, 1940, in Hackensack, NJ to Robert F. and H. Frances (Hegmann) Vogel. She was the first of three children and grew up in Wayne, NJ.

She graduated from Montclair State College. Throughout college, Carolee dated James Ronald (“Ron”) Kaba and they were married on July 1, 1961. They raised 4 children in Manalapan, NJ, before moving their family to Central Florida in 1976 and settling in Ocoee, FL in 1977.

Carolee was a stay-at-home mom until the early 1980s when she worked as Secretary to the Dean at Valencia Community College in Orlando.

She then worked at HBJ Publishing in the Information Technology department until her retirement in 2002.

She was involved with the American Business Women’s Association during the 1990s and became President of her chapter.

Once retired, Carolee and Ron enjoyed traveling throughout the US via their timeshare. Carolee always enjoyed reading, theatre, movies, and line dancing. Cookies and popcorn were her favorite treats.

She loved spending time with her family, especially her four grandchildren and her beloved dog, Ginger, and having them all together at holidays.

Her Catholic faith was very important to Carolee, and she volunteered at her parish, Holy Family, every Thursday at the chapel to observe the Perpetual Adoration of the Eucharist.

After losing her husband Ron in 2020 to a brief battle with cancer, Carolee finally sold her family home in Ocoee in early 2025 and moved into her own apartment in an independent living community in east Orlando. There she enjoyed making new friends and participating in fun activities.

Carolee is preceded in death by her parents and her husband Ron. She is survived by her four children: daughter Lisa "Leia"; daughter Sharon (David) Kull and their children, Tyler and Jamison; son Christopher (Annick Mottie), and his children Jessica and Chelsea, with their mother, Ola; and daughter Kimberly; sister Doreen (Robert) Snyder; and brother Robert Vogel.

DeGusipe Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Expressions of sympathy can be made by visiting degusipefuneralhome.com.

A Funeral Mass will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church on Friday, December 19, 2025, at 11:30 am in the Chapel, 5125 South Apopka Vineland Rd. Orlando, followed by a brief gathering in the hall.

Cemetery Details

Florida National Bushnell Cemetery

6502 SW 102nd avenue
Bushnell, FL 33513

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

DEC **19**. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Chapel at Holy Family Catholic Church
5125 S Apopka Vineland Rd.
Orlando, FL 32819

Burial

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BV

“ *Brett V. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.*



Brett V. - December 26, 2025 at 11:30 PM

BV

“ *Brett V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.*

Brett V. - December 26, 2025 at 11:30 PM

JG

“ *June G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.*

June G. - December 22, 2025 at 03:09 PM

OL

“ *Ola lit a candle in memory of Carolee Vogel Kaba*



Ola - December 18, 2025 at 04:01 PM

PF

“ Phil Kean family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.



Phil Kean family - December 18, 2025 at 06:55 AM

PF

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Phil Kean family - December 18, 2025 at 06:55 AM

LO

“ Love, Jessica, Chelsea & Ola purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.



Love, Jessica, Chelsea & Ola - December 17, 2025 at 12:23 AM

DS

“ Doreen and Bob Snyder purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.



Doreen and Bob Snyder - December 16, 2025 at 10:43 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.*



December 16, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ *Robert Vogel purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Carolee Marie Vogel Kaba.*



Robert Vogel - December 15, 2025 at 11:28 AM



“ *We had the honor to be Carolee's and Ron's neighbors. Every Christmas, we were gifted with their family traditional cookies and warm friendship. We are deeply saddened by Carolee's passing. Sending the family our heartfelt condolences 🌸*

Kurt & Celia Westbrook

Celia Westbrook - December 12, 2025 at 01:57 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Ola - December 12, 2025 at 01:13 AM

KE

“ I enjoyed playing Domino's with her and Kim when I was in town. We always had a good time. I expected to one day play with her again. I will have to wait til I see her again after this life. We can play then.

Kevin - December 11, 2025 at 07:48 PM

MK

“ The John Kaba Family is saddened to learn of sweet Aunt Carolees passing. It was a pleasure to read about the interesting and wonderful and beautiful life. She lived and the love she shared with uncle Ronnie and her children. I'm sure it was not enjoyable to write it though. May her memory be eternal. And when you gather and share stories and memories, may a smile be upon your face and a happy spirit in your heart, knowing you got to spend time with someone so beautiful. Prayers that you feel the peace of our good Lord and have the knowledge and faith that she is resting peacefully in the palm of His hands. Praying God's blessings on you all as you navigate this challenging time together. I'm sorry we are so far apart. I hope you can feel the big squeezey hugs we are sending you from New Jersey. Love you my cousins, Mary Kaba.

Mary Kaba - December 11, 2025 at 07:44 PM