



Carolyn E. Foley

January 18, 1934 - May 24, 2025

Carolyn E. Foley, age 91, died Saturday, May 24, 2025 of complications of Parkinson's Disease. The wife of long-time Houston Rockets Radio Broadcaster, Jim Foley, Carolyn was born in West Allis, Wisconsin on January 18, 1934 to Cecelia Schmidt and Walter Dahl. In Milwaukee, she attended Holy Assumption Grade School and Pius X High School and graduated from Mount Mary University in 1956.

Her working career was spent in the airline industry in sales offices in Milwaukee and Houston for Scandinavian Airlines and Swiss Air. The Foleys came to Houston in 1972 when Jim joined the Rockets.

Carolyn was active with the Rockets wives in support of the Sunshine Kids, Magnificat House, and the Stehlin Foundation. Carolyn and Jim were also members of St. Theresa Catholic Church in Memorial Park for over 50 years.

After marrying Jim and never missing a home game, she fell in love with

basketball but hated missed free throws by her team and missed calls by the officials. She also loved the Great American Songbook, especially Tony Bennett and Ella Fitzgerald. She enjoyed a good bridge hand and a glass of Dewars with club soda.

In addition to Jim, her husband of 56 years, she is survived by her sister and brother-in-law Mary and Gene Kosidowski in Milwaukee; and brother-in-law Jack Foley in Chicago; nine nieces and nephews; 19 great-nieces and nephews; and four great-grandnieces and nephews; with special mention for their assistance with their great-aunt, Kati and Stefani Rizzardi of Sugar Land, Texas.

The family also wishes to thank Brookdale Galleria Skilled Nursing and Assisted Living and Vantage Hospice for their care for Carolyn during her final three months.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, June 5, 2025 at St. Theresa Catholic Church, 6622 Haskell Street in Houston, Texas. A reception will immediately follow the Mass.

In lieu of flowers, Carolyn has suggested contributions be made to St. Theresa Catholic Church, Houston, Texas 77007 or to Mount Mary Univeristy in Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53222-4597.

Tribute Wall

PB

“ Jim,
I always enjoyed your visits to the clinic to see Dr.Amiel, with Carolyn at your side. She was a true partner in your relationship and I know she will be sorely missed. God Bless you as you travel this part of life without her.
Sincerely, Paula B, RN retired

Paula Beyer - June 02, 2025 at 12:42 PM

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“ Carolyn was a most revered person who introduced me to my wife Mary 69 years ago and am forever grateful to her.
Carolyn and Jim were the quintessential asset that the Rockets had from their beginning in Houston. They put the team on their back and made it a PR event every day of every year to be a Rocket fan. We send our sympathies to Jim on her passing and also our daily prayers, Mass and Chaplet for them. There are/were no better friends to us and to the many there's that know them.
Mary and Bob Scichili

Mary and Bob Scichili - May 29, 2025 at 11:01 AM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Joseph J. Earthman
Generations

A Memorial Tree was planted for Carolyn E. Foley - May 27, 2025 at 05:38 PM