

CAROLE SKONEKI CLARK:

A brief biography

Carole Skoneki Clark spent her entire life in service of others.

The daughter of a career U.S. Air Force man, Carole was born in Limestone, Maine, on Nov. 22, 1961, and lived in many places before settling in Montgomery as a young teenager.

Carole excelled in academics and stressed their importance to her family. She was valedictorian of Jefferson Davis High School in Montgomery and graduated with honors from Auburn University's School of Nursing. After school, she began a distinguished career in medicine, working as a registered nurse for hospitals, home health care, hospice and doctors' offices.

Carole's personal life focused on her family, where she was the lifeblood of every celebration. She planned countless holiday dinners, anniversaries and birthdays for the Skoneki-Clark clan. But perhaps the biggest party of all was held in early June 2015 to honor her, as more than 100 friends, classmates and family gathered in her beautiful home in County Downs to celebrate her life. She died at home a month later.

Carole served as the secretary for Partners in Catholic Education from its inception in 1998 to 2015. PICE provides financial support for key Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School projects. Her sons, Joey and Will Clark, are both graduates of MCPS.

Carole skillfully balanced her life as a professional, mom and friend. The ideal scholarship candidate should have the ability, as Carole did, to get things done by working in harmony with others.

Carole's commitment to service touched thousands of lives. The ideal scholarship recipient will appreciate that a life in service of others is a life well lived.