

### Brief Biography of Carole Skoneki Clark

Carole Skoneki Clark spent her entire life in the 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 one month later.

Carole served as the secretary for Partners in Catholic Education (PICE) from its inception in 1998 to 2015. PICE provides financial support for key Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School (MCPS) projects through their annual golf tournament at Robert Trent Jones Capitol Hill. Her sons, Joey and Will Clark, are both graduates of MCPS.

Carole skillfully balanced her life as a registered nurse, mom, wife, aunt, sister, friend and volunteer. She excelled at working in harmony with others to get a job done and her commitment to service touched thousands of lives. To honor Carole's commitment to her Catholic faith and her lifelong devotion to service, PICE established a scholarship in her memory in 2016. An ideal recipient is selected annually based on demonstrated commitment to their faith, community service and ability to work in harmony with others.

Carole was well loved and respected by all who knew her, which is demonstrated by the scores of family, friends and acquaintances who donated funds to PICE in her memory. If you visit the MCPS Vaughn Road campus, in the courtyard you will find three memorial benches surrounded by Carole's beloved hydrangea bushes. Make sure you read the plaque on each bench. Inside the high school, you will find a memorial plaque designating "The Carole Skoneki Clark Conference Room", formerly known as room 7 ¾. These memorial improvements were all funded by donations to PICE to honor Carole.

Thank you, Carole, for living a life dedicated to faith, family and service...a life well lived; a life we should all aspire to live.