



Ruth Carole Shields

March 3, 1940 - August 18, 2025

Ruth Carole Shields, 85, a longtime Rush County resident, passed away August 18, 2025 in McCordsville. Carole was born March 3, 1940 in Rushville to George & Lorene (Heeb) Leisure. She was a 1957 graduate of Mays High School. Carole married Robert L. Shields on June 15, 1958 and he survives. Carole was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and Main Street Christian Church in Rushville for many years.

She enjoyed a wonderful career that spanned over 20 years at Federal Land Bank which became Farm Credit.

While Carole lived in other places during her lifetime, Rush County was always home. She loved the community, countryside and Rivercrest, the neighborhood where she and Robert raised their family.

She will be missed by her husband; Robert of Greenfield, son; Wade (Kathy) Shields of Fishers, daughter; Beth Shields of McCordsville, grandchildren; Robert "Rob" Shields and Lauren Shields, brother; Phil Leisure. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister-in-law; Judith Leisure.

There will be a private memorial service for the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Rush County Community Foundation or the Rushville Animal Shelter.

Tribute Wall

BT

“ *Bob, Wade, and Beth,
I'm so so sorry for your loss. Carole was such a wonderful friend to my parents. They so adored her. I so appreciate the love she showed me after they had passed. She truly was an angel to me. I have no doubt they greeted her at heavens gate. God bless you all. Cherish all the memories you have with her. She loved you all so much.*

Love, Betsy Peters Teske

Betsy Teske - September 02, 2025 at 09:18 PM

JD

“ *Bob, Beth and Wade,
Our time together goes back to being back door neighbors in Rushville. Our children, Kelli, Brad, Beth and Wade spending many hours playing together. We will always remember the kids and dogs running from house to house. Carole was a true friend and I might add a great pie baker.*

John and Jane Doddridge

Jane Doddridge - August 28, 2025 at 03:23 PM

KE

“ *Carole was always a delight to talk to when she and Bob would walk their dog in the neighborhood and our grandkids always enjoyed petting Loa and exchanging information on the happenings within Cricket Reel. You were the first couple to welcome us to the neighborhood and we will forever hold this as special. Our hearts go out to you Bob and your family as you process your grief. We will forever hold to our memories of Carole and her welcoming nature.*

Kim and Eric Eidson

Kim Eidson - August 26, 2025 at 05:31 PM

SF

“ Bob - we are so sorry to hear about Carole. We've missed seeing you both walking by our house, and are so sad to learn of Carole's passing. Our prayers are with you and your family.

Steve and Diana Foreman

Steve and Diana Foreman - August 25, 2025 at 08:44 PM

JP

“ Bob, Wade, & Beth - Know you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Carole was always a happy person and kind. Hugs to all of you, and may she rest in eternal peace.

John & Cindy Powers

John & Cindy Powers - August 25, 2025 at 02:04 PM

DC

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Bob, Beth, Wade and their families. I have many fond memories of Carole, as we took golf lessons together. She continued, but I thought there were too many rules that you can't do this and can't do that and gave my lessons up. She continued and was a good golfer. We shared many girl's basketball games and parties together and she was a beautiful lady and will be missed.

Dru Cox - August 21, 2025 at 11:27 AM

DC

Prayers and condolences to the family. We have many good memories, Bob.

Dottie and Dave Clevenger - August 21, 2025 at 10:26 PM

JN

“ *Jane Niccum lit a candle in memory of Ruth Carole Shields*



Jane Niccum - August 20, 2025 at 11:38 PM

DL

“ *Bob, Wade, Beth, Kathy, Robbie and Lauren, I was so very sorry to hear about Carole's passing. She was such a fun and lovely lady. Today and always, may loving memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength.*

Debi Lushell Ware

Debi Lushell-Ware - August 20, 2025 at 02:23 PM