



Carolyn Mary Staiger DiMaggio

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Carolyn Mary Staiger DiMaggio, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away on September 6, 2025, at the age of 93. She leaves behind a legacy of faith, kindness, humor, and love that will be cherished by all who knew her.

Born on August 10, 1932, in New Orleans, Louisiana, Carolyn was the daughter of John A. Staiger, Sr. and Sidonie Harang Staiger. For more than 67 years, she was the beloved wife of the love of her life, the late Peter Joseph DiMaggio. Together they built a family rooted in faith and devotion.

She was the loving mother of Dawn DiMaggio, Deanna D. Allen (Michael), David DiMaggio, Sr. (Anna), and Dina D. Martinez; cherished grandmother of Sean Martinez, Meghan Martinez, Danielle DiMaggio, Mollie M. Hood (Thomas), Jared Allen, Shane Martinez (Chloe), David DiMaggio, Jr., Jeremy Allen, and Caroline Allen; and proud great-grandmother of six. In addition to her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, she is survived by sisters-in-law, Elizabeth DiMaggio and Lorraine D. Schembre (Joseph). She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, her brother, John A. Staiger, Jr., her sister, Beverly S. Davis, and her sisters-in-law, Marie D. St. Philip and Jacqueline D. Turner (Robert).

Carolyn lived a life deeply rooted in her Catholic faith, attending daily Mass and faithfully praying the rosary in devotion to the Blessed Mother. In 1961, she and Peter moved their family to Arabi, Louisiana, where she became a founding member of St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, serving as Eucharistic Minister, Commentator, and Lector. In recognition of their shared dedication to the Church, she and Peter were honored with the Order of St. Louis Medallion from the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Following Hurricane Katrina, they relocated to Mandeville, where they became parishioners of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church.

A graduate of the Academy of the Holy Angels High School (Class of 1950), Carolyn later attended Our Lady of Holy Cross College. She dedicated much of her life to teaching, serving as an elementary school teacher at Incarnate Word, St. Mary of the Angels, and St. Robert Bellarmine



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schools. Most of her career was spent teaching second grade, a role she especially loved because it allowed her to prepare her students for their First Holy Communion.

Family was Carolyn's greatest joy. GiGi and PawPaw never missed a Grandparents' Day, and she treasured every opportunity to spend time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Carolyn had a gift for hospitality—whether it was gathering the family around the table, preparing favorite meals, or welcoming friends into her home, she delighted in feeding both body and soul. She found joy in life's simple pleasures, especially the laughter and friendship she shared with her beloved Pokeno group. She was also active as a member of the Knights of Columbus Janssen Council #3068 Ladies Auxiliary, the Holy Faith Associates, and AARP Chapter 5408.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 6666 Spanish Fort Blvd., New Orleans, LA, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 12:30 p.m. Interment will be private at the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery in Slidell, Louisiana.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to E.J. Fielding Funeral Home. A tribute may be viewed and condolences shared at <https://www.ejfieldingfh.com>.



Events

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6666 Spanish Fort Boulevard, New Orleans LA



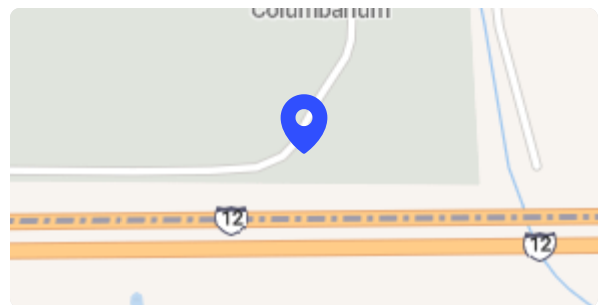
Funeral Mass

- Wednesday**, September 17, 2025
- 12:30 PM CT
- St. Pius X Catholic Church**
6666 Spanish Fort Boulevard, New Orleans LA



Cemetery Details

- Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery**
34888 Grantham College Dr., Slidell LA 70460
- (985) 646-6458**





Tribute Wall

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E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services shared a **Tribute Video**.



September 16 at 9:18 AM



Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the DiMaggio family.



September 16 at 1:57 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Carolyn.



September 15 at 3:37 PM



Bob Tee posted:

Carolyn was one of my wonderful sister-in-laws. In particular, my wife Jackie and I truly enjoyed our many visits over the past 50+ years to her and Peter's home always for a delicious meal that Carolyn would prepare and then the four of us would play card games together for several hours. She was always so sweet, loving, and fun. She will be sorely missed by all her family and friends.

September 15 at 3:35 PM



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TRIBUTE VIDEO

A JOURNEY
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The video thumbnail features a bright blue sky with white, fluffy clouds. A sunburst effect is visible in the upper center. The text 'A JOURNEY of REMEMBRANCE' is centered in a red serif font, with 'of' in a smaller, cursive font. A white play button icon is overlaid on the text. In the bottom right corner, there is a QR code and a black button with the text 'SCAN TO WATCH' in white.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Carolyn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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