



## Carol J. Mitko

December 15, 1937 - February 13, 2026

Carol J. Mitko, age 88, of Cheswick, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on February 13, 2026.

Beloved wife of James Mitko; loving mother of John (Loretta) Rae, James (Ashley) Mitko, Janice (Kevin) Harrington, Rebecca Davis, Coleen Pia, Kenneth Mitko and the late Kenneth Rae and Thomas (Deborah, surviving) Rae; grandmother of Amanda (David) Yau, Thomas (Erica) Rae Jr., Nicole (Brennan) Owler, Joshua Bastin, Ella, Jenevive, Lauren, Sean, Kevin and Michael Rae; great grandmother of Rose and Gracyn; sister of the late Louis Rutkowski; daughter of the late Louis and Ruth Rutkowski.

In her early years she loved figure skating, earning several awards. She also enjoyed her trips to Erie to go fishing with her family.

Professional services entrusted to Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd; 930 Center Avenue Blawnox, PA, 15238; [www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com](http://www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

LR

“ Carol is know you are enjoying both you sons. Please forgive me for not telling you about Tommy. I did not think you heaty could take it. Tell mom and dad and Donna I miss them so much. I love you all. May god bless and keep you. Till we meet again.

Lori.

P.s. rest until I get there.

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**Loretta Rae** - February 16 at 11:34 PM

TR

“ Grandma,  
It was always a pleasure when you were near,  
or a long late night phone call. Your laugh  
was infectious, & it could light up a whole  
room. Because of you, I found my love for  
hockey (probably the one & only kid in Alabama) due to your love  
for the Pens. With the sweet, yet oversized, Pens gear you  
delivered, I still rocked it knowing you got it for me. Although, I know  
you haven't been a fan of them since a change in management, I  
still think of you every time watching them. Give dad a big hug from  
me.  
I love you, Grandma!



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**Tommy Rae** - February 16 at 07:53 PM

LK

“ Linda Kos lit a candle in memory of Carol J.  
Mitko



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**Linda Kos** - February 16 at 06:15 PM

LK

“ Carol was a beautiful soul. So very sweet, caring and full of love. I am thankful to have seen her, Tom and Kenny when Debbie and Tom came to Pittsburgh to visit. My deepest sympathies, thoughts and prayers go out to all her family and friends. With Love, Linda and Alex Kos 🦋❤️

Linda Kos - February 16 at 06:14 PM

DR

“ Deb Rae lit a candle in memory of Carol J. Mitko



Deb Rae - February 16 at 02:01 PM

DR

“ Carol Mitko was Beautiful Woman, Wife, Mother , MOM in law , Grandma, Great Grandma, Sister & Friend . She was so caring & sweet .Carol was very generous , would give the shirt off her back if it helped. She had a wonderful laugh & a good sense of humor .. May you rest in peace with your family , now . You were greatly Loved by your Family and will be sorely missed . May God Bless You .  
Love you , Debbie❤️

Deb Rae - February 16 at 02:00 PM

DR

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Deborah Rae - February 16 at 01:45 PM

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April 24, 2024

Deb Rae - February 17 at 05:38 PM

LR

“ Loretta Rae lit a candle in memory of Carol J. Mitko



Loretta Rae - February 15 at 02:06 PM

DF

Carol was such a nice neighbor. I've been here 13 years and they have been my neighbor Jim and Carol both very lovely people she will be missed. She always loved my little doggie to come and she ran into her house like he owned the place so sorry for the family's loss. Love, Deb Fenchalk

Deborah Fenchalk - February 16 at 06:52 PM

JH

“ The memory of those we love stays in our hearts forever... my dad an Carol were connected in a beautiful way and shared their best years together. Carol was sweet and kind. She will be missed by all of us. Janice and Kevin Harrington and family. Rest in peace.

Janice Harrington - February 15 at 08:06 AM

LR

“ Mom,  
We will miss you. Thank you for everything. We love you so much.  
We will be together some day. We hope you are enjoying your  
reunion with all our loved ones.  
John and Lori.

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**Loretta Rae** - February 14 at 04:08 PM

DF

Wonderful neighbors always loved my dogs awesome people so sorry  
to hear this news bless you all

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**Deborah Fenchalk** - February 14 at 07:13 PM

LR

Thank you

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**Loretta Rae** - February 14 at 11:20 PM

DF

“ Carol was my mother n law. She was always laughing or had a  
smile on her face whenever we would see her. She will be dearly  
missed. Rest in Peace Carol. Your two sons are waiting for you.  
Speedy Gonzales and I will miss you

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**Debbie Ford** - February 14 at 04:07 PM