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April 24, 1958 – June 9, 2011

Carla was taken from us much too soon after a tragic accident. We remember her fondly.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to [Susan G. Komen for the Cure](#).

Home: Mukilteo, Washington. Hometown: College Spring, Iowa

Carla is survived by her beloved son Loren; father and stepmother Herb and Thelma Andrews; mother, Patsy Griffith; older sisters Connie Miller and Carol Hemsath (Brandt); brothers Dwight (Joyce) and Kirk Griffith; nephews and nieces. Preceded in death by nephew Ryan Miller.

Account Executive, Totem Ocean Trailer Express, 1981-Present (30 years)

Import/Export Clerk, Port of Tacoma, 1979-1981 (2 years)

Education - Tarkio College, Art, 1976-1977

Groups and Associations:

Transportation Club of Tacoma - Board of Directors, Propeller Club of Seattle - Board of Governors, Transportation Club of Seattle - former Board Member and Past President, South Everett/Mukilteo Rotary Club. Owner, M&M Embroidery.

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Say a Little Prayer - Many who attended the 2008 Seattle-Tacoma Transportation Clubs International Conference met Carla and (I'm sure) enjoyed her company. She was a "rock" member of the Tacoma Club, and well respected and loved by anyone who had the chance to know her. While some folks are unable to attend her Celebration of Life, please do me a favor and at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, June 17, stop what you are doing and say a prayer for Carla and her family [or another time, if you're reading this later]. *Let God know we miss her already.* - Dennis Tam, President, Transportation Clubs International

An Irish Proverb... Our Carla, mother, sister, daughter, colleague and special friend, fought the ultimate fight for as long as she could. She was in heaven a half hour before the devil knew she was gone. Please keep her beloved son Loren in your prayers and in your hearts as we move through this difficult time. Carla was not alone, you all stood beside her as she was taken by angels. Thank you all so much, we are all richer for having known her. Cathy Reese

Please keep Carla's family and friends in your prayers. It is a good time for all of us to give those we love an extra hug or smile. Lori Kincannon, President, Transportation Club of Tacoma



“The Art of Creating Memories” - The true key to Carla's success was her ability to create memories. If you were lucky to have encountered a moment with Carla, you most likely felt that you had her full attention, shared a few laughs and maybe a few tears. Those memories were limitless, shared across the world, created over a lifetime of friends, family, co-workers and customers. I will deeply miss my friend Carla Martin, for not many people would have taken someone under their wing to guide them professionally. Carla followed the simplest of life's recipes: Be kind, enjoy those around you, show grace, be true to your word and *be present* in every situation. Even if the moment was brief, I consider myself fortunate to have met Carla Martin. - Holly L. Downey

Carla - you have such a beautiful spirit - you will be missed! - Julie Anderson

I would bet Carla is already helping Saint Peter organize some function. She is/was one first-class lady, always putting others' needs ahead of her own. God bless her and her family. - Mark MacLeod

Carla, thirty years of special times and wonderful memories - we love you for every one of them. You are one of a kind and we are so lucky to have had you in our lives. We know that you and Eddie are together again in heaven and at peace. We love you and will miss you each and every day. - Rick Orvella



Thinking of Carla's beautiful, dimpled smile, her crazy wisecracks, and what a hard worker she was whatever the project. How much she loves her son. We will never understand how this could happen; we must simply accept and go on into our own futures. I feel that I'm a better person for having known her. Carla will always be in our memories, 'til we meet up with her again on the other side. - Anne Munoz

Rest in Peace [Carla Martin](#), friend, business associate and person who made other's lives richer. - Jim Stanaway

I have known Carla Martin for many years through the transportation industry. When we started serving



together on the TCT Board in early 2010, Carla was one of the first to “welcome me aboard” with that eye-to-eye contact and infectious smile. As a board member, I always appreciated her easy, sensible way of doing business. The Transportation Club of Tacoma and the TCT Board will definitely miss Carla's input to our Club's continued

success, and I know I will miss her as a friend. - Dave Hester

Not enough words to express how much I cherished working alongside you these past few years. Your legacy can only be matched in size by your smile. - Steve Fullerton

Dear Carla, I wish all this was just a bad dream! I will cherish our good times! You will be greatly missed! Love to you and all that loved you! - Jody Streitenberger

How sad to lose our dear friend. I won't ever really believe it. - Joyce Stevenson

