



## Josephine M Carney

December 11, 2020

Josephine M. Carney of Linwood passed away on December 11, 2020. She was an American patriot, Mainland High School English teacher, slinger of drinks, planter of the most beautiful garden in Linwood and most of all the woman that I shared my life in love with for 39 years.

Predeceased by her mother, Lucille Gibb; her brother/Vietnam veteran, Daniel Luke O'Connell; and her granddaughter, Cheyenne Carney.

Jo was educated at Mainland High School, Class '74, ACC AS Degree, Class '76, went on her Vision Quest and returned 29 years later after raising a family to pursue her dream life's goal of becoming a special teacher to many. She graduated ACCC, Class 2009. Jo then drove five days a week from Linwood to Lakewood Georgian Court University. She graduated with her bachelor's degree in 2014, all while meeting the love of her life and "slinging drinks" at Bally's Park Place, where she was employed with many lifelong friends for 30 years. Jo was hired at Mainland High School.

Also, while working, she managed to earn her Masters degree from Walden University, while carrying a 4.0 at every college and degree she achieved! She even had the rare privilege to attend collage with her youngest son, Patrick and walk and share classes together while coming a sort of college room mother/tutor to his friends that were in the same classes.

She started the Support Our Troops program at Mainland High School a group of students that held events to raise money and supplies for our deployed servicemen and women helping our veterans became her life's passion helping our troops was the most important goal in her life second only to her family. Her work ethic was an inspiration to many she instilled a never quit attitude and a desire to learn more and do more for others than any person that she touched could ever imagine.

Jo's list of accolades from various organizations for her selfless determination to help

veterans are too many to list here one of her prized awards was receiving Educator of the Year award from American Legion Post 252 that Post and the Legion Rider's there, adopted Jo as their own just as she adopted them as her own. I, her husband, thank them from the bottom of my heart.

She was that crazy neighbor in the yard digging and planting in 100-degree weather because her garden was that important to her.

Jo is survived by the lover of her life, Bill Carney; her sons, Joshua Daniel Carney and his wife, Martyna Alexandra Galazka and Patrick William Carney and his wife, Melissa Lugo; and her grandchildren, Nicholas William Carney, Matthew Aaric Carney, Izabella Loise Carney, and Daniela Liv Carney.

All of whom she loved "High as the Sky, Deep as the Sea."

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you, please make donations to Mainland Regional High School, Support our Troops Program/Josephine Carney or Operations First Response.

Arrangements entrusted to Wimberg Funeral Home, Egg Harbor City/Galloway 609-965-0357. For condolences, please visit [wimbergfuneralhome.com](http://wimbergfuneralhome.com).

# Comments

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“ Dear Bill, Josh, and Patrick,  
I was so sad to read of Jo's (your mom's) passing. She was a wonderful mother and always the advocate for the boys she dearly loved. I will always remember your family as I pass by your home and that beautiful garden it showcased.  
My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Kathy Crane

**Kathy A Crane** - January 11 at 03:42 PM

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“ Bill and family, please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of your wife. So sorry to hear this. Bless you and your family in this sorrowful time. Ron Waldroup.

**Ron Waldroup** - January 06 at 07:58 AM