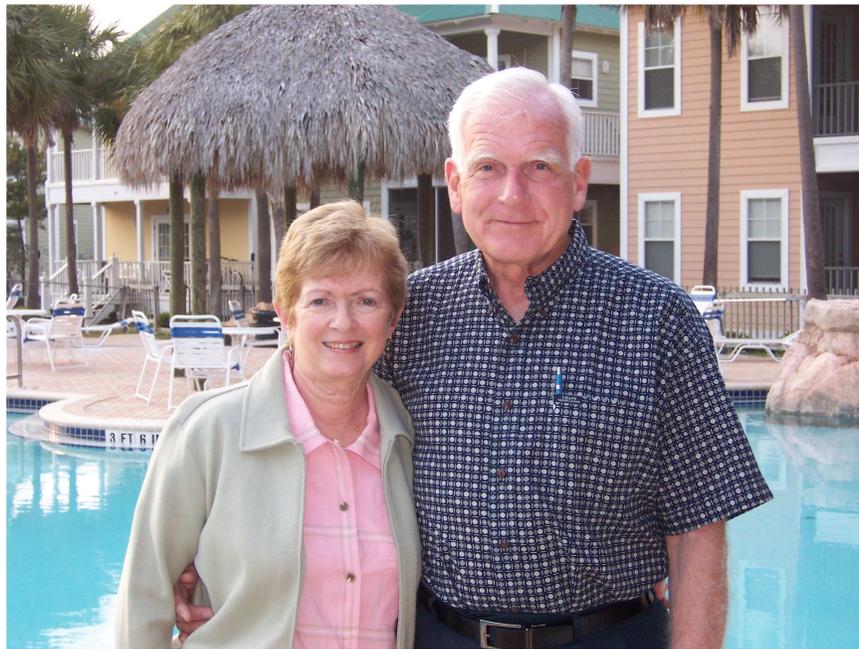


A Celebration of the Life of Carol Sherck



Agenda:

Introduction and Eulogy	Glenn Saltzman
Readings Dani Domnauer and Kelsey Sherck	
Comments and Stories	Family/Friends
Closing Prayer	Glenn Saltzman

The Eulogy for Carol Sherck:

We are here today to celebrate the life of Carol Sherck. David, Carol's husband of 58 years and their children; Michael, Kelly and Kerry asked me to host this celebration, as my wife Ruth and I

have known the Sherck's since our college years at The Ohio State University. The only directions they gave me was to keep it lite and involve those of you present by having you tell a story or two later about Carol.

You may wonder what qualifies me to host this celebration:

First, I am a three time graduate of The Ohio State University, and although that may not impress you, it did Carol and Dave as they loved their alma mater more than anyone I have ever known. One of their new Asheville friends told me that they had not known Carol had graduated from The Ohio State University until nearly fifteen months after they met....excuse me, that was fifteen minutes after they met!

My Second qualification: Dave and I were in the Navy together and as couples, we lived near each other in Pensacola and San Diego, where we became even closer friends. Carol was our first two sons' baby sitter from time to time...the only sitter Ruth would trust.

Thirdly, I'm an Ordained Minister: Several years ago, our oldest grandson inquired... if, as a

Naval Officer could I perform his wedding ceremony. I explained that I could do that only if I had command of a base or ship...and being retired, I couldn't comply with his request. He said he would really like for me to perform the ceremony, so I checked around. I found that I could go to seminary for four years, OR, do 2000 hours online, OR, pay \$39.95 for my degree....I picked option three. I am now a Man of the Cloth...scarlet and gray cloth, I might add.

Over the years: The Sherck's, and often their kids, visited us in: FL, CO and OH.....and we visited them in: PA and KY (where because of Dave's position with GE, we watched the Kentucky Derby while seated in the same section as Bob Hope, Bear Bryant, and Princess Margaret). **We** also visited them in: MX (and with their help, "adopted" three Mexican Children who we are still close to). **We** visited them in CN, MD, MO and NC. Dave just kept getting promoted and they would have to move...and they moved over twenty times! **We** also spent ten days at Disney World when it opened and thanks to Carol's bargain hunting, I still have our receipt for that ten-day vacation... two adults, four children, ten days.... \$420. **We** bare boated a forty-three foot sailboat through the

British Virgin Islands with Barb and Tom Badger and Carol is probably laughing as I speak, remembering our departure from our first port. Tom prided himself on being a sailing Captain because he had taken six lessons on Lake Erie. As we departed, Tom shouted, “Glenn, get the charts ready; Dave, check the engine, and; I’ll unfasten the lines.” Captain Tom forgot to unfasten the bowline and we departed in front of one hundred vacationers toasting our departure, and then did a donut, a 360, at the end of the pier. Several minutes later, Carol and Ruth emerged from the cabin sporting their life jackets! **Lastly**, to celebrate our thirty-fifth anniversary’s we took a barge and balloon trip through France...and visited Kerry at Disneyland Paris, where she worked.

I tell you these stories, not only to persuade you that I am qualified to host this celebration but to let you know how well we know the Sherck Family...and how much we love and respect each of them. Their children are our children.

(Pause)

Carol was eighty years old at the time of her death. She was born in Columbus, Ohio and graduated from The Ohio State University, majoring in Dietetics. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend. Her husband, David, and their three children and five grandchildren, who you will meet later, survive her.

In an effort to stay lite and respectful, I have sought the aid of others who knew Carol and have prepared a list of ten things Carol loved most.

10. **Her TV Shows:** She had to see **Jeopardy** and **Wheel of Fortune** every day. They could not be recorded!

9. She loved the **Ohio Lite Opera**, which she and David supported with their leadership, time and talent. For many seasons, even when they lived in Asheville, they never missed a show in Wooster, OH.

8. Carol loved **Chocolate, Everything Chocolate.** Carol had her famous “Chocolate drawer” and I suspect every grandchild has some stories.

7. **Asheville.** Carol and Dave researched many places by attending Elder Hostels to determine the

perfect retirement location...and the winner was Asheville.

6. **Naps.** Carol had to have a nap EVERYDAY. We left Paris tour early so Carol could get her nap. We anchored so Carol could take a nap. Nothing interfered with her naps!

5. **Traveling.** Carol and Dave have been everywhere. I'm sure they have taken trips/vacations with many of you present (Show of Hands),

4. **Cooking.** She cooked because she loved to cook, not out of obligation. And, we always loved everything she fixed.

3. **Spanish.** Carol embraced the language and the Mexican culture. Over the years, she helped many folks transition from Spanish to English. She tutored. She volunteered at Mexican Orphanages. Most of us couldn't follow her grocery list as it was always written in Spanish. She once got an idea to make nightgowns from men's shirts for the orphans, and recruited many of us to find shirts for her...Our Kent, Ohio Rotary Club became enthused and we sent her 400 shirts. I hope you are seeing the pattern...when Carol had a project; all of her friends had a project.

2. **The Ohio State University.** Carol and Dave were the Buck's biggest fans. As proof, their cars

and home had a Scarlet and Gray theme. Two very quick OSU stories:

a. Carol was selling rocks imprinted with the OSU Logo and asked us to deliver six to friends in Ohio. We paid for the rocks and when delivering them realized that none of our friends had ordered them. If any of you need an OSU rock...

b. Carol loved this story: A small boy wearing a U of M tee shirt came into a Red Cross tent after a damaging micro-burst in Kent, Ohio. A helper, teasing the little seven year old said, in a gruff voice, "What are you doing wearing that shirt." The boy said, "Sir, I'm wearing this shirt, but I'm really an American."

1. The number one love in Carol's life was David, her children, her grandchildren and her friends. Carol lived a principled, loving life that was full because she knew what love was...and spread it all around. Hers was a life well lived.

Readings:

Granddaughter Dani Domnauer read the Ralph Waldo Emerson poem about what it is to have succeeded in life.

Granddaughter Kelsey Sherck read the Bible verses, "For Everything There is a Season."

Comments and Stories by Family and Friends:

Daughter Kerry Sherck told of the good times with her Mother, how they laughed together and how her Mother's organizational skills were amazing.

Sister Kay McNabb set the record straight as to whether she or Carol was the oldest (Carol would tell folks that Kay was the oldest, but she wasn't.)

Brother-in-Law David Zuhars said that Carol was the sister he never had.

Carol Verneuil, a close friend from the Shercks' Mexico days, told of the many adventures that Carol organized while in Mexico.

Hank Young, husband of Nancy Young, read a letter from Nancy to Carol about their friendship.

Bill Cross, a friend from Wooster, Ohio, told of all the friends Carol and David shared. Bill wore an Ohio State tee shirt, which he revealed as he spoke.

And lastly, **son Michael Sherck** told of playing tennis with his Mom and Dad and how he suspected she let him beat her. He also told of how she read to him (and his sisters) everyday, and how his favorite sport and his love for reading

were gifts from his Mother. He also expressed gratitude to all attendees for being present.

The celebration was closed with the following prayer.

Closing Prayer

Let's close this celebration with a prayer.

Dear Creator, who surrounds us with love from, within: Thank you for the life of Carol Sherck. She lived a life of love and devotion. We loved her and she loved us. God is Love, God made us in Love and God made us for Loving. Carol understood that. We pray that each of us will continue to spread love, seek justice, promote peace, embrace joy and live altruistic lives. This can be a new beginning rather than merely the end of a cherished life. According to one song:

“This is the day of new beginnings;

A time to remember and move on;

A time to believe what love is bringing;

Laying to rest the pain that's gone.”

Let us leave this celebration with a renewed
commitment to Love One Another. Amen

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