



Carl F. Reynolds

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Rev. Carl Freeman Reynolds, 69, of Stafford, CT, woke in the arms of God on October 21, 2020 after a brief battle with cancer. Carl was born March 3, 1951 to Charles Freeman Reynolds and Gwendolyne (Tillmanns) Reynolds and grew up in Farmington, CT, graduating from Farmington High School in 1969. As a young man, Carl became a devoted alumni of Silver Lake Conference Center in Sharon, CT, a community that inspired him to pursue a Bachelors in Fine Art Photography from Goddard College and Masters of Divinity from Bangor Theological Seminary. He was ordained in the United Church of Christ in 1977 and shared his calling with all he met. Carl was honored to serve as the Director of Outdoor and Retreat Ministry for the Vermont Conference UCC; Pastor of Tri-Valley Parish in Pittsfield, VT; Director at Dunkirk Conference Center in New York; Pastor of Canterbury United Community Church in New Hampshire; Pastor of First Congregational Church of East Windsor; Minister of Volunteers for Greater Hartford Habitat for Humanity; and was most recently the Pastor of Second Congregational Church of West Stafford. He will be remembered with love and admiration as a minister, carpenter, teacher, fireman, philosopher, writer and artist. His art will live on in the hands of those he blessed with it. His publications include a collection of poetry, *Living Somewhere Between the River and the Road* and a collection of sermons, *Reflections on the Past and the Future*. Carl is survived by his wife, Debra (Osborn); sister, Rev. Cynthia F. Reynolds; daughters by first marriage, Marinda Reynolds, Julia McAleer (Frank), and Katrina Casey (Tim); grandchildren, Amelia and Meadow McAleer; Debra's 6 children and 13 grandchildren; and his beloved cats. A memorial service for close friends and family will be held at Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc., 51 East Main St., Stafford Springs, CT, on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. If current pandemic restrictions prevent you from attending, please light a candle and pray with us at this time from the safety of your home. Memorial contributions may be



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made to the Second Congregational Church of West Stafford, 197 West Stafford Rd, Stafford Springs, CT 06076. To leave a condolence online for the family, or for directions, please visit: www.introvignefuneralhome.com



Service

 **Wednesday**, October 28, 2020

 11:00 AM ET

 **Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc.**
51 East Main St., Stafford Springs CT 06076





Tribute Wall

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Dede Greaves posted:

"Don't it always seem to go, that you don't know what you got 'til it's gone They paved paradise, and put up a parking lot"Big Yellow TaxiJoni Mitchell Ladies of the Canyon

October 21 at 2:58 PM



Dede Greaves posted:

Marking one year, since Debra, their family, and all the lives he touched, said goodbye to someone in my estimation, was my favorite pastor at Second Congregational Church of West StaffordIf I could do things differently, I would have accepted his wisdom about things. A year can make a big difference, even for an old lady like me.If not for his excellent reference in 2014, I never would have gotten my first apartment in Wilmington Vermont When one of his sermons, mentioned lines from a Joni Mitchell song, the rest of my Sunday, had me singing songs from her albums, Ladies of the Canyon or Clouds or Blue; all late 1960's and early 1970's. I gotta go now Pastor Carl.I just wanted to let you know, I was thinking about you ❤️ Always, DeDe

October 20 at 2:47 PM



Leslie C. Howard posted:

I grew up working at the camps Carl directed. I learned a great deal from Carl. He was a nice man. He was so proud of his little babies. We loss track of each other, but I always remembered Carl and how he had touched my life. I am so sorry to hear he had passed.

November 23 at 8:41 PM



Janet Lamb posted:

We are so sorry to learn of Carl's passing. He was our pastor here in Canterbury when we first started attending church here. We have fond memories of him as a pastor and of your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.Fondly, David & Janet Lamb

November 1 at 6:51 AM



Nancy Richens lit a candle in honor of Carl.

I'm so very sorry to hear of Carl's passing. He was such a nice guy. May he rest in peace.

October 29 at 8:15 AM





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BS

Bertha Syphers lit a candle in honor of Carl.

October 27 at 3:22 PM



CR

Cindy Sanger Rhine lit a candle in honor of Carl.

I am so sorry to hear of Carl's passing. I am glad that I did get to know him and hear a few of his sermons when I was done visiting my family for Thanksgiving and Christmas. I was glad that my husband and I were able to show him and Debra around the WW&F Ry Museum while they were up here in Maine the other summer. Our deepest condolences to his family and friends.

October 25 at 7:13 PM



Anonymous sent a Tender Tribute to the Reynolds family.

October 25 at 2:32 PM



LT

Lisa Trombly posted:

During my junior high and high school years, Carl was a counselor at Silver Lake and Camp family. I remember him well. So sorry for your loss

October 25 at 12:57 PM

MS

Mike Stockman posted:

I have many fond memories of Carl while we worked together at Habitat for Humanities. The most striking was his ability to weave in many diverse spiritual leaders and guidance into to his morning prayers on the worksite. We often heard Native American, Buddhist, secular and other sources for his Christian prayer. He helped open our eyes to the wonder and joy of life around and within us. He will be missed. Mike Stockman

October 24 at 4:04 AM



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Carol Rollins posted:

CindySo sorry for your lost. I wish I could attend but I will be in Long Island taking care of my aunt. Prayers for your family! Love Catol Rollins

October 23 at 3:14 PM



The Blick Family lit a candle in honor of Carl.



October 23 at 1:15 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Reynolds family.



October 23 at 12:49 PM



Malcolm Gauthier posted:

My friend, we shared so much over the years. We laughed so hard and long, and puzzled over many mysteries and reasons why for many things. I hope you can hear the symphony that is the music of the spheres. I love you, my friend, I love you. Malcolm

October 23 at 12:04 PM



The Kinloch Family lit a candle in honor of Carl.



October 23 at 10:27 AM



Patricia Hough lit a candle in honor of Carl.



October 23 at 10:23 AM



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Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Reynolds family.

October 23 at 8:31 AM



Carol Ward ("Sunshine") lit a candle in honor of Carl.

October 23 at 8:31 AM



Patty Lemire sent a virtual gift in honor of Carl.

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Lori Nieves lit a candle in honor of Carl.

October 23 at 8:05 AM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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