

Carolyn Lefler – March 12, 1934 – August 16, 2025



Carolyn Lefler, wife of the 20th chief of the Army Dental Corps, MG Bill B. Lefler, passed away on Saturday, August 16, 2025. She is survived by her children Tracey (Jack) Salter, Tom (Cindy) Lefler, and Mark (Kate) Lefler, eight grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren.

A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, Carolyn attended Hendrix College where she met Bill. They married in 1955 and spent the next 33 years in the Army traveling the world. After retiring, Bill and Carolyn moved to Hot Springs Village in 1994.

Carolyn will be remembered as a loving, smart and funny wife, mother, grandmother, Dental Corps first lady and friend. She was a talented seamstress, athlete, gourmet chef, gardener and hostess. She was a member of the Village United Methodist church choir, Cedar Mountain Singers and P.E.O. As an avid tennis player, she played on the super senior national championship team in 2006. She grew up a southern cook and received her certification from the French cooking school Le Cordon Bleu Paris.

She loved her family unconditionally and was truly the heart of the Lefler family. The family would like to express deep gratitude to all her caregivers who provided care and friendship over the last few years. Her celebration of life was held August 29, 2025, at Village United Methodist Church in Hot Springs Village.