



Candace R. Root

July 25, 1964 - September 1, 2025

Candace R. Root, 61, of Richland Center, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on Monday, September 1, 2025, at UW Hospital in Madison.

Born on July 25, 1964, in Richland Center, Candace was the daughter of George and Betty (Turner) Root. Raised in a large family, she carried with her the values of love, generosity, and forgiveness that defined her character throughout life.

Candace cherished being a devoted mother to her two children and a proud grandmother whose heart overflowed with love for her grandchildren. She will be remembered for her artistic spirit, her joy in dance, her love of animals and gardens, and the deep spirituality that enriched all who knew her. Candace was someone to always count on—a forgiving and generous friend whose kindness touched many lives.

She is survived by her children, Staci Root of Chicago, and BJ (Courtney) Knutson of Wauzeka; grandchildren, Sutton and Sawyer Knutson; siblings, Kelly (Jami) Parr, Julie Storkson, Vivian (Daryl) Thurner, Joan Root, and Bradley Root; as well as many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three siblings, Gail Busch, Kevin Root, and Robin Root.

A visitation will be held on Friday, September 12, 2025, from 4:00–6:00 PM at Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center. A Celebration of Life will follow at 6:00 PM, also at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home. Online condolences can be shared at www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com.

Candace's memory will live on through her tenacious spirit, the love she gave, the art she created, the friendships she cherished, and the family she so deeply adored.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP 12. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Clary Memorial Funeral & Cremation Service, LLC
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

NI

“ Aunt Candy was the greatest soul I have met, she was so strong and had such a love for her close friends and family! She will be dearly missed.

Dante-Davinci-Nicole

Nicole - September 11, 2025 at 01:20 PM

VW

“ Virginia Wiedenfeld lit a candle in memory of Candace R. Root



Virginia Wiedenfeld - September 11, 2025 at 08:07 AM

DE

“ Sorry to hear of your loss, Deb and Glen Niemeyer

Deb - September 10, 2025 at 11:44 PM



“ 51 files added to the album LifeTributes



Clary Memorial Funeral Home - September 09, 2025 at 03:38 PM

BW

“ I went to school with Candy, we remained friends. You all have my sympathy. She was a good person and I'm glad I got to spend some time with her earlier this year. Rest in Peace Candy and fly high. You're pain free now. We'll see each other again. ❤️

Bobby Whetzal - September 04, 2025 at 05:59 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Candace R. Root.*



September 03, 2025 at 10:46 PM

LW

“ *To the family of Candy. I am so sorry for your loss. I have great memories of your family, especially with Gail. Hugs and love. Linda (Wendt) Wilson.*

Linda Wilson - September 03, 2025 at 01:44 PM

RP

“ *Randy and Patti Peltier purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Candace R. Root.*



Randy and Patti Peltier - September 02, 2025 at 06:40 PM

RK

“ *Robert knutson purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Candace R. Root.*



Robert knutson - September 02, 2025 at 06:37 PM