Carol Ann (Hastings) Butterworth of Tolland, passed away at the age of 81, on Jan. 14, 2023, surrounded by love.

Carol was born on Dec.1,1941 and graduated from Hartford Public High School in 1960, receiving scholarships to attend Hartford College for Women and Mount Holyoke College, where she earned a B.A. with distinction in 1965. Later she received an M.A. from Trinity College. Carol married Michael Butterworth in 1966, and both went to Stanford University together. She graduated in 1968 with a degree in education, becoming a high school English teacher in California and continuing to teach in Connecticut when they returned. She became a member of the Tolland Board of Education, later serving as assistant to the town manager. In 1982 she earned a law degree from Western New England College of Law and towork for many years at Robinson and Cole in Hartford.

Carol is survived by Michael Butterworth, their daughter and son-in-law Beth (Butterworth) and Marc Alan Daitch of Tolland; two granddaughters, Olivia Anne Daitch of Topsham, Maine and Lily Grace Daitch, Tolland; Carol's brother, Allan Hastings and his wife, Dale Hastings, of West Hartford.

Along with her love of literature, law and democracy, Carol was a cat lover. She also leaves behind her two beloved cats, Aspen and Mikado a.k.a. "The Little Monsters.' They will be going to live with another animal lover, her granddaughter Olivia.

Carol supported numerous organizations, including the National Wildlife Fund and The Humane Society. She was a breast cancer survivor and a supporter of the Susan G. Koman Fund. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to any of the causes she cared so much about.