



Caroline grew up in the suburbs of Phillipsburg, N.J. and moved to Bethlehem when she was 16 years old. After graduating from Liberty High School, she enrolled at Lebanon Valley College, a small liberal arts school located in Annville, PA., from where she graduated in 1965 with a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education with a minor in English.

Among the courses Caroline studied at Liberty and Lebanon Valley was Spanish. Several of her teachers traveled to Spanish-speaking countries and taught their students not only the language, but the culture, customs and ethnicity of each country. After graduating from college, Caroline and two college friends traveled to Satillo, Coahuila, Mexico, where they lived with a Mexican family and studied Spanish at the Universidad de Jaime Balmes. Upon her return from Mexico, Caroline taught 2nd grade at Marvine Elementary School in Bethlehem.

Caroline met her husband Bill while they were both attending Lebanon Valley. They married in 1966 and moved to Oakhurst, NJ where she taught 1st grade in Ocean Township and Bill taught English and coached football at Shore Regional High School. In 1967, the couple moved to West Chester, PA, where Bill pursued his master's degree in English at West Chester University and Caroline taught 2nd grade in Downingtown, PA. After Bill graduated, he was hired by Lehigh Carbon Community College to teach English and Caroline taught 2nd and 3rd grades at Western Salisbury Elementary School.

As educators, Caroline and Bill understood the importance of helping students learn about how people in other countries live and the different standards of living outside of the United States. In the summer of 1970, they took an “educational vacation” and within a few months, traveled to ten European countries, specifically, England, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland, Italy, France, Spain and Portugal.

Carrying on the family name and values were important to Caroline and Bill and the only way to make this happen was to have children. They did, and their three children, all very successful, live within 20 miles of them. Bill, the oldest, is a physical therapist at a rehabilitation facility in Allentown. Beth, their daughter and middle child, teaches English as a Second Language in the East Penn School District. Their youngest, Bob, teaches Industrial Technology at Springhouse Farm, in the Parkland School District. Caroline and Bill have been blessed with four grandchildren, all who are athletic and participate in various sports.



After raising her children, Caroline taught adult GED (general equivalency degree or high school equivalency diploma), English as a Second Language, and Adult Basic Education courses at the Lehigh Carbon Community College downtown Allentown campus. This included teaching courses at places such as the Keenan House (an addiction rehabilitation facility) Lehigh County Prison, and various workplaces throughout the Lehigh Valley. Starting out part time, she eventually became the coordinator of all Lehigh Carbon Community College (downtown Allentown campus) literacy classes. In the mid 1980's, Caroline received her master's degree in Reading from Kutztown University and taught reading at Lehigh Carbon Community College, Northampton Community College, and the local Penn State Extension. Toward the end of her career, Caroline taught English as a Second Language at Western Salisbury Elementary School while continuing to be the GED test administrator for Lehigh Carbon Community College. She retired from Western Salisbury in 2010 and from the community college in 2014. Bill, who was a professor of English at Lehigh Carbon Community College for 47 years, retired in 2015.

Caroline and Bill live in Meadowbrook (Salisbury Township) and although considered “retired”, continue to live an active lifestyle. Aside from their travels in 1970, they journeyed to the Caribbean, Europe, Mexico, South Africa, Spain, Coats Rico, and Brazil. Both are active in their church, and stay in good condition by playing tennis and “pickleball” (a sport that combines the rudiments of badminton, tennis, and table tennis). They raised three successful children by teaching them the importance of being courteous, showing respect, persevering, and being responsible. Caroline and Bill have a happy balance between friends and family; they enjoy and savor every minute of their life

