



Caroline Medora Roe

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Suddenly on November 7, 2021 at age 84. Medora leaves behind devoted husband of 51 years Harry Roe, loving daughter Anne Roe (Denise Bruno), sister Barbara Schon (Robert) and brother Charles Sale (Margaret).

Predeceased by brother Robert Sale (Cindy). Medora received her PhD in Medieval Studies at University of Toronto in the early 1970s. She taught English for many years at Branksome Hall in Toronto. Medora launched a successful second career in writing in her forties. She published 7 mystery novels under the name Medora Sale, and 8 mysteries under the name Caroline Roe. She was awarded the Crime Writers of Canada's Arthur Ellis First Novel Award in 1986 for *Murder on the Run*. From her second series, *An Antidote for Avarice* won the *Deadly Pleasures* Mystery Magazine's Barry Award for Best Paperback Original Mystery Novel in 1999. Her passion for writing extended to supporting fellow writers, leading her to serve as president of both Crime Writers of Canada (1989-90) and Sisters in Crime (1998-99). Medora was fiercely committed to following her dreams and supporting other women and girls to do the same. She was also a kind and gentle person who was passionate about animals and music. We miss her immensely. The family will arrange a small service at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a donation to Nellie's shelter would be appreciated.