



## Carolyn Ruth Rhea

September 25, 1940 - March 17, 2020

Carolyn Ruth (Williams) Rhea passed from this life on March 17, 2020 in Norman, Oklahoma at the age of 79. Carolyn was born on September 25, 1940 in Walnut Park, California to Neal and Ruth (Leis) Williams.

Carolyn graduated from Verdugo Hills, CA. high school and later married Johnny Rhea on June 4, 1960. They were blessed with 43 years together until Johnny's passing in 2003. Johnny and Carolyn moved to this area in 1970 after Johnny's military career. She was a loving mother who took care of and enjoyed raising her four children. She was of the Baptist faith and was a member of the VFW. She enjoyed traveling on the truck with Johnny and she was known as the "card lady". She would send cards and notes to people in their time of need.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents; husband; daughter, Sandra Rhea and brother, Leonard Williams.

Carolyn is survived by her children, Marilyn Hayes and husband Clifton; Donna Smith and husband Kenneth and Joe Rhea and wife Tammy; 11 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren and numerous extended family and friends.

Graveside services will be held at 1:00 PM Friday, March 20, 2020 at Lark

Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Jordan Rhea, Brayden Horton, Hunter Prehara, Steve Prehara, Keith Thomison and Jeff Hodges. Pastor Jackson Bell will officiate. The family will receive friends at the Funeral Home on Thursday evening from 6-8 PM. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.brownsfuneralservice.com](http://www.brownsfuneralservice.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Brown's Durant Funeral and Cremation Service.

# Cemetery Details

## Lark Cemetery

Enos, OK 73439

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Family and Friends

MAR 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant  
4900 West US Hwy 70  
Durant, OK 74701  
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## Graveside Service

MAR 20. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Carolyn Ruth Rhea

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM



“ I just found i was pregnant with my youngest daughter when Uncle Johnny passed. I went to his funeral and never told anyone. While we were having lunch afterward Aunt Carolyn came up to me and said "Debbie you carrying, how far along are you?" Mind you we haven't seen each other since we buried Grampa Jack in 1998.



Deborah Moore - March 20, 2020 at 12:10 PM



“ IN JAN1974 AS I WAS GETTING CLOSER TO MY DUE DATE 2/1974, FOR MINE AND DEACON'S (JOHNNY'S YOUNGEST BROTHER) CHILD TO BE BORN, CAROLYN AND JOHNNY CAME A GOT MY DAUGHTER CHRIS TO STAY WITH THEM UNTIL I CAME HOME FROM HOSPITAL WITH THE BABY. DURING THE TIME WITH THEM THEY HAD TOOK HER OFF THE BOTTLE AND POTTY TRAINED HER, BUT WHEN THEY BROUGHT HER HOME , THEY FORGOT TO TELL ME SO THE NEXT TIME THEY SAW US THEY WANTED WHY I PUT BACK ON THE BOTTLE AND IN DIAPERS. WE ALL HAD A LAUGH THEN. BUT I THEN HAD TO RETRAIN CHRIS FOR BOTH. WE HAD MANY GREAT TIMES GOING CAMPING THROUGH THE YEARS. UNTIL DEACON AND I DIVORCED. LOVE YOU CAROLYN I WILL MISS YOU TOO. GAIL LITTLE



Gail Little - March 20, 2020 at 02:41 AM

DS

“ Donna Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Carolyn Ruth Rhea



Donna Smith - March 19, 2020 at 12:38 PM

MH

“ She loved talking to truckers going through Tishomigo Oklahoma on the CB Radio



Marilyn Hayes - March 18, 2020 at 06:27 PM

DC

“ You are missed momma Rhea have fun up there with Johnny and Sandra

David Carroll - March 18, 2020 at 05:48 PM

MG

“ Had lunch with her & Donna, she was a very kind lady, She will be miss, 😊

Marian Griffin - March 18, 2020 at 04:49 PM



“ Adoration Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ruth Rhea.



March 18, 2020 at 04:30 PM



“ Jackson & Pat Bell lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ruth Rhea



Jackson & Pat Bell - March 17, 2020 at 08:15 PM



Sister Carolyn was a good friend to us and all at the Church. We love her. she will be missed. Our Thoughts and Prayers to her family. Pastor Jackson and Pat.

Jackson & Pat Bell - March 17, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ We would go to the lake alot as a kid well one time we went fishing and I caught a fish and she went to help me bring it in and the fish got away.

Glenda Hayes - March 17, 2020 at 11:29 AM