



Rita Lavon (Williams) Arzola

October 16, 1957 - March 18, 2025

Rita Lavon (Williams) Arzola of Waco, Texas passed from this life on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, surrounded by her loving family at the age of 67. Rita was born on October 16, 1957, in Bonham, Texas to Eulis Carl and Mary Ruth (Taylor) Williams. She was a longtime resident of Grand Prairie, TX and she married Juan Arzola on April 27, 2001, in Tarrant County, TX.

Rita was a natural born though sometimes exasperated leader of her sibling and cousins. They adored her as did her countless friends. She loved to play with her grandchildren and enjoyed keeping her family's bellies full by her amazing cooking. She was a powerhouse on the basketball court during her middle and high school years. She was delightfully confident in her ways and believed she could, and she very often did. No one loved life or laughed, including at herself, more.

Rita is preceded in death by her parents Eulis Carl and Mary Ruth (Taylor) Williams; brothers Christopher, Leon, and Gary; sister Kathy; brother-in-law Larry Buchanan; son in law Terry Pruett; and father-in-law Antonio Arzola.

Rita is survived by husband Juan Arzola of the home; son Robert Buchanan and wife Sara of Sherman, TX; daughters Jennifer Buchanan of Grand Prairie, TX and Angela (Buchanan) Lesnick and wife Mary of Sherman, TX; grandchildren Hailey Pruett and fiance' Lucas, Kayla Pruett and fiance'

Shannon, Emylee Buchanan, Lane Tyree, Carson Buchanan, Cooper Buchanan, Bryce Pinson, Shooter Buchanan, and Elijah Pinson; great grandchildren Kynnlie Mazzucco, Birdie Tew, and Mason Owens; brother Clarence Williams and wife Janie of North Richland Hills, TX; sisters Sheila Buchanan of Coalgate, OK, Karen Farrell of Durant, OK, Paula St. Clair of Durant, OK, and Lisa Russell of Durant, OK; sisters in law Brenda Williams of Caddo, OK and Lisa Williams of Bennington; mother in law Elma Solis De Arzola along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM Friday, March 28, 2025, at Browns' Funeral Service Chapel. Interment will be in Bennington Cemetery with Clayton Williams, Tyler Williams, Matthew Williams, Brandon Williams, Javier Arzola, Jimmy Farrell, and Robert Buchanan serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Cooper Buchanan and Carson Buchanan. 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.

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

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/GSKHHPJPT9RHY7XD>

Cemetery Details

Bennington Cemetery

Bennington, OK 74723

Previous Events

Family Visitation

MAR 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant
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Tribute Wall



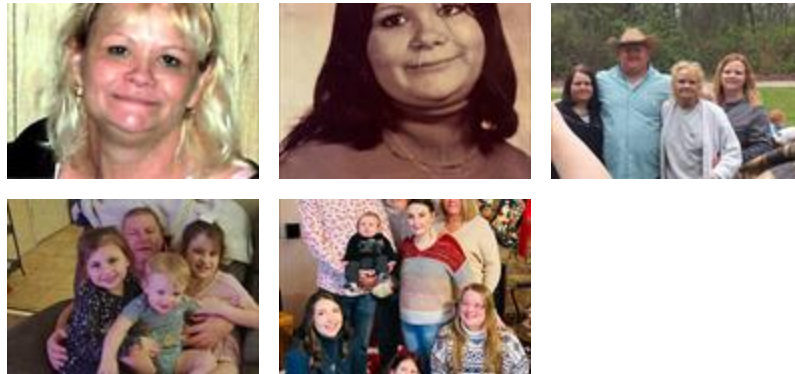
“ *Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita Lavon (Williams) Arzola*



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - March 27, 2025 at 11:37 AM



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“ *Rita, you was some happy person, you always, always had a smile on your face or put a smile on someone's face. It was my pleasure to meet and know you, I will always be there for our girl and granddaughters and our grand babies. You and Booger have fun, but remember God knows all Languages. Rest in peace my friend. Johnnie*

johnnie tindell - March 24, 2025 at 11:00 PM

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“ Am so very sorry for your loss,, my deepest sympathies go out to Jennifer, Angie , Robert & all her grandchildren & great grandchildren, her husband,,all her siblings & the rest of her family .. R.I.P Aunt Rita

My beautiful memories of Aunt Rita our mostly when she was married to Uncle Stanley but also mostly memories with Jennifer & Aunt Sheila ,, I know she & her sisters used to babysit me when I was very little,, Aunt Rita u will be dearly missed.. 🙏🕊️💔🙏



Elizabeth Alvarado - March 24, 2025 at 05:12 PM