



Carolyn Janet Close

February 15, 1942 - February 6, 2023

Carolyn Close, 80, of Copan, died Monday, February 6th, in Copan.

On February 15, 1942, Roland and Ruth (Larmore) Riff welcomed their daughter, Carolyn, into this world in a small home in Washington County, Oklahoma. Carolyn attended Bartlesville High School but never graduated; instead, she married the love of her life Kenneth Close.

On March 31, 1959, Carolyn and Kenneth exchanged vows at the Church of the Nazarene in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

After marriage the couple had to spend 4 years apart with only 15 leave days a year, because Kenneth had to go back to the Navy. The two stayed very loyal to each other! Kenneth couldn't get back soon enough to start his life with his wife. When the two reunited in 1963, Carolyn stayed home as a housewife and began to try and have children. The two tried for 8 years to have children of their own but weren't successful. Despite all the trial and error of starting a family, they adopted their first son Mark in 1966. Two years later they adopted their second son David. Carolyn and Kenneth loved their boys so deeply! To their surprise in 1970, Carolyn got a call from the doctor telling her she was pregnant! She couldn't believe it! On June 9, 1971, she gave birth to her third son Jason.

Carolyn was an avid Christ follower and is known for her relationship with him. You could always catch her talking to Christ, no matter who was around or where she was at! Her children say she was there for just about everything. Carolyn loved crocheting, fishing, and even picking pecans when her eyesight was still good.

She is survived by her loving husband of 63 years, Kenneth; two sons, David Close, and Jason Close and his wife Robin; a sister, Rolena Cole; two brothers, Jerry Riff and his wife Deborah, Chris Riff and his wife Sandy; 10 grandchildren, Derek Close and his wife Sarah, Dalton Close, Dylan Close, John-Michael Cordova and his wife Lauren Cordova, who is also a granddaughter of Carolyn, Sammy Close, Jason Rylee Close, Sierra McElfresh and her husband Isaac, Chase Close, Andy Close and his wife Caitlin, and Hannah Close; and numerous great-grandchildren, extended family and friends.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, Roland and Ruth Riff; her sister, Pat Willams; her granddaughter, Richelle (VanDyke) Strickland; and her oldest son, Mark Close.

Carolyn Close's family will receive friends from 3-5 on Sunday, February 12, 2023, at Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel, 4201 Nowata Road, Bartlesville, OK 74006, 918-333-7665. Come and go visitation will also be held from 12-5 on Sunday.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2023, at the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel with Pastor John Serio officiating. Interment will follow at White Rose Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

White Rose

804 west 11th st
Bartlesville, OK 74003
<http://www.cityofbartlesville.org>

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 12. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel
4201 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-7665
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Family and Friends Gathering

FEB 12. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

FEB 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Interment

FEB 13 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Janet Close*



Davis Family Funeral Home - February 10, 2023 at 06:15 PM

LS

*This was so moving life of Carolyn . Jason , Ryle, Lauren and Andy my love and prayers for your mom and grandma. It's going to take some time to release that closeness. Your mom n grandma is looking down saying well done my Children. You had a very loving grandma .
Love*

Lou n Johnnie sefcik

lourdes sefcik - February 10, 2023 at 09:08 PM

KD

“ *Prayers for your family*



Kimberly Dyer - February 20, 2023 at 08:25 PM

NC

“ *New Life Church, Copan purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carolyn Janet Close.*



New Life Church, Copan - February 13, 2023 at 11:53 AM

LD

“ *Lou & Johnnie Sefcik and Carmen Van Dyke purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carolyn Janet Close.*



Lou & Johnnie Sefcik and Carmen Van Dyke - February 10, 2023 at 09:55 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Janet Close.*



February 10, 2023 at 05:58 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Carolyn Janet Close.*



February 09, 2023 at 02:44 PM

AC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. What an honor to have know Carolyn, she was an amazing woman of God.*
Paul and Angela Cade

Angela Cade - February 08, 2023 at 05:41 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Robin Close - February 08, 2023 at 11:57 AM

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“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Robin Close - February 08, 2023 at 10:12 AM

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“ *Carolyn, you are loved and missed. On one of the last visits there when the guys were out in the workshop, it was just me and you, and I was telling you about something I was praying about too, and you said let's just pray now. And you did what I've heard you do in the past, "come boldly to the throne of God", you prayed out loud and with confidence that your prayers were being heard by your father. Thank you for that prayer and that example. I wonder what you're doing in Heaven today. ❤️*

Robin Close - February 08, 2023 at 10:00 AM

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Robin Close - February 08, 2023 at 09:51 AM