



Carole Matthews

November 23, 1942 - February 11, 2024

Carole Janette Matthews was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Monday, November 23, 1942 to John Collins and Nadine Strickland. On Sunday, February 11, 2024, she left her home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma at 81 years of age. Growing up in Tulsa, Carole went to Nathan Hale High School. Eventually, she met Allen Matthews. They courted until their marriage in Joplin, Missouri on May 31, 1963 and were married until his passing October 25, 1999, having celebrated 36 years of marriage. She was a wonderful wife and mother who took great pride in family and home and also helped build the family business with Allen. Nurturing was part of her personality, Carole thrived taking care of her family and friends and enjoyed seeing her children and grandsons do well. Carole greatly enjoyed being outdoors!! Camping and fishing were a favorite family pastime, and many weekends were spent in a camper or a boat on the lake or going to the “country house” near Lake Tenkiller, where she and her family spent many weekends fishing and playing in and around the Illinois River. After Allen’s passing, Carole was able to travel and see places like Yellowstone and the Gulf coast. She shared these experiences with her family and was glad to be able to do it. When she became unable to travel, she lived vicariously through the travels of her family.

Carole is survived by,

Daughter: Debbie McClellan & Steve of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

Grandchildren: Tyler McClellan & April; Cody McClellan & Sarah, Blake McClellan & Jillian

Great-Grandchildren: Gabe McClellan, Hudson McClellan, Ridge McClellan,
Cole McClellan, Aubrey McClellan, Carmen McClellan

Siblings: Cathey Patrick, Terry Klaus, Paul Klaus

Preceded in death by parents; husband, Allen; son, Rick; siblings, Gary Klaus,
Aileen Young and Linda Jackson.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **15**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Carole Matthews*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - February 16, 2024 at 11:53 AM



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Hayhurst Funeral Home - February 16, 2024 at 11:42 AM



“ *Your Friends at Sprouts Child Development purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carole Matthews.*



Your Friends at Sprouts Child Development - February 13, 2024 at 04:49 PM

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“ Mike, Judy, Steve, Lisa, Greg and Deb purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carole Matthews.



Mike, Judy, Steve, Lisa, Greg and Deb - February 13, 2024 at 10:26 AM

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“ Mike, Judy, Steve, Lisa, Greg and Deb planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carole Matthews.

Mike, Judy, Steve, Lisa, Greg and Deb - February 13, 2024 at 10:26 AM