



## Mary Jo Sanders

September 7, 1931 - December 20, 2024

Mary Sanders, of Broken Arrow, passed away on December 20, 2024, at 93 years of age.

Mary was born on September 7, 1931, in Adair, Oklahoma, to parents John and Eva Miller (Wears). She graduated from Broken Arrow High School in 1950. In 1956, she married her sweetheart, U. T. Sanders.

Mary spent a majority of her career working as a bookkeeper for Heatwave Supply. She was a dedicated employee, never missing a day of work. She was the backbone of the company – her punctuality and attention to detail helped the company thrive.

Mary loved her family, and she loved Jesus. She was a faithful Christian throughout her life and a member of First Baptist Church in Broken Arrow. Mary treasured her family, going above and beyond to take care of them. She loved fishing with her family and cooking wonderful food and deserts for them to enjoy. In addition, Mary enjoyed many hobbies, including photography, playing bingo, drawing, and painting.

Mary will be dearly missed by those who were blessed to have her as part of their lives.

She is survived by:

Son: John Sanders and Aon

Grandchildren: Christopher Ulmer and Andrea, Cara Saunders and Jason, Channa Greenberg and Dov, Adrienne Rainey, and Joi Sanders

Great-grandchildren: Kade Saunders, Dallin Saunders, Haleigh Saunders,

Kaitlyn Saunders, Audrey Saunders, and Gwenith Jackson

Sister: Patti Darby

She is preceded in death by her husband, U.T. Sanders; parents, John and Eva Miller; brothers, AJ Miller, Bill Miller, and Lewis Miller; sister, Carolyn Simms; and daughter, Cathy Ulmer.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Arms Around Broken Arrow. ([www.armsaroundba.org](http://www.armsaroundba.org))

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

310 S. Nome Ave.  
Claremore, OK 74017

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 2. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
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## Visitation

JAN 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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JAN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Mary Jo Sanders*



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - January 17, 2025 at 02:16 PM

JS

“ *Grandma was a gorgeous, and punctual woman who was very much loved. I have so many memories with her when I was little. She was always good towards me and my mom and dad. I will greatly miss my Grandma Mary Jo.*

*-Joi Jo Sanders*

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**Joi Sanders** - January 26, 2025 at 08:21 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - January 03, 2025 at 10:30 AM

DS

“ Aunt Mary Jo was always smiling and made the best desserts. She loved her family so much. Her kindness will truly be missed on earth but she has left a piece of herself with everyone that knew her.

Debbie Sinclair - January 01, 2025 at 11:47 PM

MW

“ i worked for Mary Jo for several years when I was young. I have many good memories of her. She was a strong and kind person. Rest in Peace Mary Jo

Mary Anne Watson - January 01, 2025 at 09:56 AM

JM

“ Julia May purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mary Jo Sanders.



Julia May - December 27, 2024 at 05:18 PM

ND

“ Nga Du purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Mary Jo Sanders.



Nga Du - December 26, 2024 at 10:16 AM



“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Sanders family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Mary Jo.* ”



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - December 20, 2024 at 12:59 PM