



## Judith "Judy" Ann Shores

November 13, 1939 - November 20, 2024

Judith Ann Shores of Carthage, MO passed away peacefully at home following her battle with cancer on November 20, 2024.

Judy was born in Dripping Springs, Oklahoma on November 13, 1939, to Bob and Evelyn Bartlett. She graduated from Joplin High School. Following high school, she married Almond S. Bozarth, who survives along with their two daughters, JaJean K. Gray and Curenna Dixon. Also, that marriage includes son, Bart Bozarth (deceased). Grand children, Jacey and Carly Dixon of Carthage, MO, Joshua L. Jones (Tiffany) of Joplin, MO, Brooke L. McFarland of Warrensburg, MO, and several great grandchildren, London Nelson (Diego), Israel, and Kason Jones. Although they entered a 21-year long marriage with the best of intentions, it was less permanent than expected, both went on to remarry.

On September 2, 1990, she married Billy I. Shores I (deceased). Of that 33-year marriage, she gained an extended family which she loved as her own. Of that marriage, surviving is son, Billy I Shores II (Beth) of Tulsa, OK, son, Chris Shores (Belinda) of Carthage, MO, son, Mike Shores of St. Louis, MO, daughter, Sarah Barton (Mike) of Creve Cour, MO , Terri Jones (Ralph) of Coffeyville, KS, as well as several grandchildren, Shana Dean (Jason) of Yukon, OK, Chelsea Shores of Chicago, IL, Tori Graffenstein (Lance) of Racine, WI, Cole Copeland of Tulsa, OK, Peter and Elizabeth Barton of Creve Cour, MO, Emily Maxwell (Nick) of Joplin, MO, River Anderson (Mercy Rivers) of Kansas City, MO and several great grandchildren, Oliver and Trea

Graffenstein, Caitlin, Elise and Isla Dean.

As per Judy's wishes, she will be cremated, and a private family service will be held at a later date.

Online condolences may be made at [www.ulmerfh.com](http://www.ulmerfh.com).

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

PJ

“ I am so sorry to just now learning about Judy’s passing. We were close friends since 6th grade at Stapleton school. The last time we got together was 2018 when I had attended our 60th class reunion in Joplin. She and Bill had chosen not to attend, so I drove to their home near Branson and visited with them for two days. We always stayed in touch after high school and gone our different ways. I shall miss her.

Sincerely,  
Pat Clifford Jenkins

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**Patricia L Jenkins** - January 30, 2025 at 06:39 PM

LG

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. Praying for peace and comfort.

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**Lisa Griffith** - November 22, 2024 at 12:21 PM

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“ Judy was such a special person, always smiling and laughing. We had so much fun working together. It was a pleasure to be able to call her my friend.

Tracy Boyd

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**Tracy D Boyd** - November 22, 2024 at 10:26 AM