



## Karen Sue Johnson

June 28, 1940 - December 11, 2021

Karen Sue Johnson, 81, of Carthage, Missouri passed away on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at 4:13 p.m., Mercy Hospital in Springfield, Missouri. Karen was born on June 28, 1940 in Joplin, Missouri. She was the daughter of Jack Couch and Nadine "Sours" Couch. Karen spent most of her adult life in Carthage, Missouri. She was the Administrative Services Manager of Jasper County 911 call center and managed Erickson Tax Service in Carthage, Missouri. Karen was a member of the P.T.O, loved cake decorating, Christmas, Halloween and candy making.

Karen was united in marriage to Ben Johnson on April 2, 1961 in Avilla, Missouri; he preceded in her in death on August 3, 2017.

Karen is survived by two sons, Christopher Johnson and Matthew Johnson, both of Carthage, Missouri; one daughter, Melissa Daugherty of Carthage, Missouri; one sister, Lanna Gaines of Freeman, Missouri; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several foster children that were cared for over the years.

Services for Karen will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 17, 2021 at Ulmer Funeral Home chapel in Carthage, Missouri. Visitation will be 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 16, 2021 at Ulmer Funeral Home. Burial will be at Park Cemetery in Carthage, Missouri following the service.

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

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to the Carthage Kiwanis Club for Kiddieland in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.  
Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Park Cemetery

801 South Baker  
Carthage, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 16. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home  
1208 S. Garrison  
Carthage, MO 64836  
(417) 358-2222  
ulmerfh@gmail.com  
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## Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



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**Megan Hicks** - December 18, 2021 at 01:00 AM



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**Megan Hicks** - December 17, 2021 at 09:29 PM



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**Lanna Gaines** - December 14, 2021 at 10:04 AM