



Melva Ann Borland

December 17, 1946 - February 20, 2026

Melva Ann Borland, 79, entered into rest on February 20, 2026, surrounded by her family. She was born to Delva and Frances (Bingaman) Jordan December 17, 1946, in Wilmington, NC Melva loved the Lord and her family and friends. She was an avid casino patron and treasured her privacy. Melva was a homemaker.

Melva united in marriage to Joe Thomas Borland September 5, 1964, in Carthage, MO. They were happily married for 54 years; Joe preceded her in death August 27, 2018. Together they had three children.

Melva is survived by one son, Kevin Borland of Carthage, MO; two daughters, Tammy Borland-Chairez of Reeds, MO and Shelly Borland-Root (Wes) of Reeds, MO; two brothers, Jesse Jordan of Wilmington, NC and Dee Jordan (Terri) of Burgaw, NC; two sisters, Marilyn Swanger of Carthage, MO, and Donna Richardson (Shep) of Rocky Point, NC; seven grandchildren, Chance Borland, Chase Borland, Chelsa Briggs, Garrett Roberts, Kole Borland, Kelsie Roberts, and Jordan Chairez; nine and a half great grandchildren, Cayden Borland, Versace Beckner, Achilles Borland, Aries Borland, Jackson Roberts, Benton Borland, Sailor Briggs, Ryder Dumas, Sage Briggs and one coming in June of 2026; and one special friend, Stephanie Borland.

Melva is preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Robert Baughman; one sister-in-law, Jan Jordan; and one brother-in-law, Don Swanger.

A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, February 23, 2026, at Park Cemetery, Carthage, MO. At the family's request, please wear your best Dallas Cowboys gear to the service.

Contributions can be made to the Carthage Youth Golf program in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online condolences can be made at www.ulmerfh.com

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Park Cemetery
801 South Baker
Carthage, MO

Tribute Wall

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“ *Melva never forgot to wish me a “happy birthday” every year. I am sad for your loss, but glad that she is finally reunited with her beloved Joe. Love and prayers, Rick and Jenny*

Rick Smith - March 03 at 09:10 AM