



Carolyn Smith Walther

October 7, 1939 - January 20, 2017

Carolyn Smith Walther of Houston, Texas (formerly of Giddings, Texas) entered the gates of Heaven on January 20, 2017 at the age of 77, after battling cancer. She was surrounded by her loving family.

Carol was born October 7, 1939 in Akron, Colorado, the third child of parents John and Ruth Smith, who baptized her into the Christian faith in 1945. Carol spent her childhood and teen years in Denver, Colorado. After graduating high school, she attended Parks School of Business from 1957 to 1958, fully expecting to live out her life in Colorado.

Then she met a country boy from Texas. The country boy was also an airman in the U.S. Air Force, and they fell in love, even as he served overseas. On August 7, 1960, Carol married Marvin Walther in Denver. Then she became a Texan.

Carol and Marvin moved to Austin, Texas, where she took up her calling as a devoted wife. After a brief stop in Columbus, Mississippi, they moved to Houston, where she served as full-time mom to Rodney, Glenda, and Karen. Inspired by the Bible verse "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15), she ensured that her family attended church and that her children received a strong Christian education.

After her children were grown, Carol used her business background to serve others. She coordinated summer campers for the San Jacinto Girl Scouts (Houston), assisted property appraisers for the Travis County Appraisal District (Austin), and did bookkeeping for Jaeger's (Giddings).

For years, this daughter of the Rockies proudly called Texas home. Whether raising a family in the suburbs of Houston or living out retirement on the Giddings farm she shared with Marvin, Carol built a life based on a commitment to family and a strong faith in God. She will be dearly missed. Carol was preceded in death by her loving husband of 54 years, Marvin Walther; parents John and Ruth Smith; brother Richard "Dick" Smith; and brother-in-law Phil Going.

Carol is survived by her son Rodney and Susan Walther of Sugar Land, Texas; daughter Glenda and Curtis Davis of Serbin, Texas; daughter Karen and Jimmy Roberts of Spring, Texas; nine grandchildren (Lee and Brittany Davis, Kimberly and Billy Davis, James and Briana Davis, Tony and Natasha Davis, Lisa and Lance Sublett, Justin Roberts, Jordan Roberts, Brian and Lisa Walther, and Kaitlyn Roberts); eight great-grandchildren (Ariel Davis, Kaleigh Davis, Addison Davis, Tyler Davis, Brielle Roberts, Elliott Sublett, Kaydence Davis, and Anya Davis); brother Donald Smith of Aurora, Colorado; sister Nancy Jo "Jo Ann" Inman of Westminster, Colorado; sister-in-law Ann Smith of Longmont, Colorado; sister-in-law Shirley Going of Round Top, Texas; and sister-in-law Mary and Bill Peikert of Athens, Texas.

As a memorial, Carol requested that donations be made to Holy Cross Lutheran Church—Cemetery Fund.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 from 2:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for

visitation Tuesday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and a prayer service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Warda, Texas with Rev. Dennis Tegtmeier officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery

600 FM 1482
Warda, TX 78960

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 24. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-3113
phillipsluckey@yahoo.com
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

Family Present for Visitation

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Prayer Service

JAN 24. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Public Visitation

JAN 25. 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM (CT)

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Church Service

JAN 25. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Smith Walther*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 23, 2017 at 09:35 AM

DM

Lot of good memories.

Dianna Mitschke - January 23, 2017 at 04:55 PM

OP

“ *Otis and I are truly sorry for your loss. Your mother and father were good folks and we enjoyed our time with them while we leased their pasture here in Giddings. We enjoyed our visits when we had the chance to do so. God Bless you and your family at this time and may God walk beside each one of the family members and see you through this time of loss. If there is anything Otis and I can do, do not hesitate to call upon us.*

Otis and Sharon Proske

Otis & Sharon Proske - January 24, 2017 at 11:44 AM

RW

Thank you for your friendship to my parents and for honoring them by coming to the funeral. -- Rodney Walther

Rodney Walther - January 30, 2017 at 09:24 PM



“ 3 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 24, 2017 at 10:00 AM

DM

“ *Our sympathies to the family.*

Dianna & Clarence Mitschke

Dianna Mitschke - January 23, 2017 at 04:56 PM

RW

Thank you so much.

Rodney Walther - January 30, 2017 at 09:24 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carolyn Smith Walther.*



January 23, 2017 at 01:23 PM



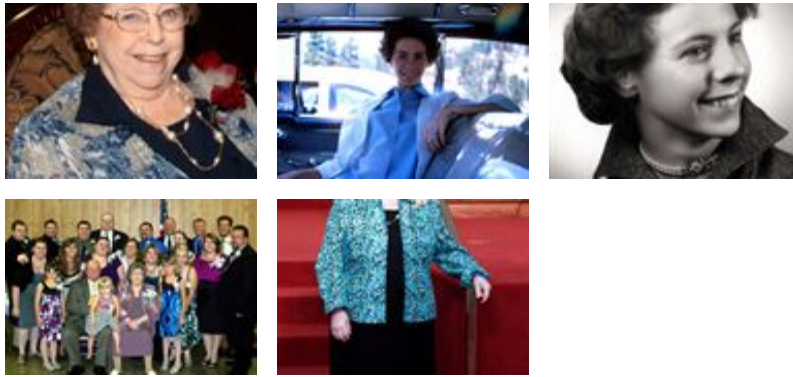
“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carolyn Smith Walther.*



January 23, 2017 at 10:51 AM



“ *51 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 23, 2017 at 09:23 AM



“ *Mary Peters & Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Carolyn Smith Walther.*



Mary Peters & Family - January 23, 2017 at 12:07 AM

CH

“ *My prayers are with the whole family. She has reunited with Marvin, I know he was waiting with open arms. RIP...* ”



Christi & Kayla Hicks - January 22, 2017 at 11:26 PM

RW

Thank you for your kind words. We know she is running around heaven right now.

Rodney Walther - January 30, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn Smith Walther.* ”



January 22, 2017 at 04:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carolyn Smith Walther.* ”



January 22, 2017 at 01:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Carolyn Smith Walther.



January 21, 2017 at 05:39 PM