



Carolyn Earline Ward

September 23, 1937 - March 19, 2024

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Carolyn Earline Ward, 86 of Purcell passed away peacefully on March 19, 2024. Carolyn was born in Shawnee, OK on September 23, 1937. She shared a birthdate with her Aunt Jewel, sister Claudine and niece Tammie. In 1953, she caught the eye of a young man named, W.R. (Sonny) Ward. He worked for Carolyn's dad's broom corn crew. Carolyn and Sonny quickly fell in love and were married on February 3, 1956. Together they raised two sons, Scott and Grant. Carolyn worked as a secretary for General Telephone Company for 32 years. After retiring from the telephone company, she fulfilled a lifelong dream of owning the Living Word Christian Bookstore in Norman and Shawnee for 25 years.

She was a long-time faithful member of Union Hill Baptist Church. She led the Growing In Faith together (GIFT) most recently known as The Elderly Ladies Sunday School class for a number of years.

She loved her Sister Trips throughout Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Georgia, Tennessee and even Colorado. She loved Lighthouses and enjoyed her trip to Boston.

She was a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, friend, and woman of faith who will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her parents Marvin and Mabel Walker and her sister Claudine.

She is survived by husband Sonny of Purcell, her sisters, Jo Ann Huddleston of Purcell, and Arlene Kennedy of Maysville. Her son Scott Ward and wife Pam of Oklahoma City and Grant Ward and wife Lisa of Byars. Grandchildren Amanda and husband Brad of Norman, Richard of Purcell, Michelle and husband Brad of Oklahoma City, and Jeri and Ty of Las Vegas. She also leaves behind 13 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 o'clock Friday, March 22, 2024, at Union Hill Baptist Church, Purcell with burial to follow at Hillside Cemetery. Send online condolences at www.wilsonlittle.com

Tribute Wall

TB

“ Carolyn was the epitome of Class. I read in the obituary that she was a Secretary at GTE. She was so much more. She was a guiding light for anyone who needed it. Laura and I send our love for an amazing person.

Terry Beal - March 21, 2024 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Carolyn was the first person to greet us when we came to Union Hill. She was always a joy to visit with and her smile always made our day. Our condolences to her family.

Kip and Judy Williamson - March 21, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ We will miss her very much. She was such a bright light.



Doyle and Karen Davenport - March 21, 2024 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Carolyn's sweet, precious smile was such a joy to me. She was filled with the fruit of the Spirit and one of my fondest memories from our time at Union Hill. She will be missed. Sending deepest condolences to the boys and other loved ones.



Eulene Webster - March 20, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ I moved out to Oklahoma from SC back in 2009 and started going to Union Hill in 2010. Of all the people she was one of the ones that first embraced me. She truly was one of the sweetest ladies I had ever known.

Deborah - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I will always hold sweet memories and thoughts of Carolyn in my heart. Such a wonderful, classy lady. I'll see you in heaven my friend! Susan Boyle



Susan Boyle - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ Carolyn was such a great encouragement to my wife Staci and I when we moved to Union Hill Baptist Church. She was always so kind and encouraging every time she saw us. The most amazing part to me was how genuine she was in her faith and encouragement of other believers, what a great inspiration to us all.

Lance Norton - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Carolyn lived and breathed the Holy Spirit. All you had to do was look at her and be filled with the joy of the Lord. She prayed me through Las Vegas. I believe her faithful prayers were part of the reason Darren and I ended up together. I will miss her sweet smile and kind spirit. She is truly one of the most Godly, amazing people I have ever known. Every kind deed I have done or will do is tinged with the love of this sweet lady.



Kathy Holsonbake - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ What a beautiful, loving christian women. I am truly blessed to have had this wonderful lady in my life. From the first time I met her she made me feel like family. I know she is so happy to be home with her LORD and SAVIOR. Prayers for her family and all those she made feel as they were a part of her group. She will be truly missed.

Carol Dees - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ What a wonderful lady Carolyn was!! She was such a positive and inspiring woman. A good and faithful servant; she is at home in heaven.

Jenniferr Baird - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

QB

“ Carolyn was one of the sweetest kindest friendliest and prettiest ladies I have ever met. Please accept our condolences.

Quin and Phyllis Bennett - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Carolyn was such a wonderful lady.
She was so full of life and a joy to know and work with. My family
and I got aquatinted with Carolyn when we transferred to Purcell
with GTE . She will be missed by many folly's who knew and loved
her

Claude Smith - March 19, 2024 at 12:00 AM