



Honorable Carson C. Joines

September 22, 1928 - May 12, 2026

Funeral services for Honorable Carson Joines, 97, of Carthage, Texas, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 16, 2026, at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Allen Tilley and Bro. David Paschal officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in Clayton Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 1:00–2:00 p.m. prior to the service.

Mr. Carson Curtis Joines was born September 22, 1928, in the Cypress Lake Community of Nederland, Texas, and passed from this life on May 12, 2026, in Fort Worth, Texas. Carson was the fourth of five children born to Theresa Koch and Guy W. Joines. He was raised and educated in Beaumont, graduating from South Park High School.

Carson later attended Panola Junior College in Carthage, where he played tight end on the state championship team and was later inducted into the Panola College Hall of Fame. While at Panola, he met the love of his life, Dixiana “Dixie” Arnold. They married on August 13, 1949, and shared 53 years of marriage before she preceded him in death in 2002.

He proudly served his country in the United States Army. Mr. Joines worked as an operator for Champlain/Union Pacific and later as a commercial painter. His lifelong devotion to his community was evident through his years of public service: City Commissioner (1971–1972), Mayor Pro-Tem (1972–1983), and Mayor (1983–2014)—the longest tenure in Carthage history.

Carson was a dedicated member of the First Baptist Church of Carthage, where he taught Sunday school, served as an usher and greeter and assisted

with baptistry duties. He loved his community, his church, and spending time with family at the lake.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his son-in-law, Terry Williams; brothers, Ervin and Raymond Joines; and sisters, Viola Sparks and Birdie Joines.

Mr. Joines is survived by his loving children: Marja Williams of Bedford, Mindy Paschal and husband David of Meridian, Idaho, and Mart Joines and wife Karen of Kennedale; grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Erik Williams and wife Julie and their children Breanna, Bradley, and Brayden; Adam Williams and wife Kellie and their children Luke and Micah; Brandon LaGrone and son Carson; Ashley Brewster and husband Eric and their children Brooks, Brodie, and Briggs; April Blauvelt and husband Riley and their children Kye and Charleigh Kay; Christina Jones and husband Kevin; and Bridget Lane and husband Will and their children Emerson, Coleman, and Baker; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

Pallbearers will be Brandon LaGrone, Erik Williams, Adam Williams, Carson LaGrone, Brooks Brewster and Brodie Brewster. Honorary pallbearers will be Briggs Brewster, Eric Brewster, Bradley Williams, Brayden Williams, Luke Williams, Micah Williams, Kye Perry, Kevin Jones, Will Lane, Coleman Lane, Baker Lane and Riley Blauvelt.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the American Heart Association and the Gideons.

Cemetery Details

Clayton Cemetery

158 CR 1521
Clayton, TX

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 16. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAY 16. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
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