



Mrs. Emily Carol Carrier

February 13, 1941 - January 15, 2026

Hawthorn Funeral Home announces the passing of Mrs. Emily Carol Carrier, 84, of Center, Texas.

Mrs. Emily Carol Carrier was born February 13, 1941 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi and passed away January 15, 2026 at her daughter's home in Carthage, Texas.

Born to the marriage of Claude Sanderson and Yanca Belle McVay, Mrs. Carrier was raised and schooled in Hattiesburg. In her early years Emily owned and operated restaurants with her mother. She then worked as a payroll clerk. Later she owned and operated the San Augustine Inn and then owned Carrier Escort Services. Mrs. Carrier was an avid reader and loved fishing, cooking and a good cup of coffee with friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, John Raymond Denes; sisters, Bonnie Waggoner and Yanca Marie Rizzitano.

Mrs. Carrier is survived by her son, Donald William Clark; daughter, Mary Born and husband Sam; brother, James Cleaver and sister, Martha Smith. Numerous grandchildren and several great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends also survive Mrs. Carrier.

Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to the UT Southwestern Willed Body Program. Local arrangements are by Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Granny, as we called her, was married to my Grandfather since '83/'84. Can't really remember because I was young. She was always really nice to me and my brother, I would go spend sometime in Houston when they lived there. Sorry to see this. My condolences to Anna and Donald. Gary C.*

Gary Carrier - March 06 at 04:31 PM

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“ *Miss Carol was my patient over a year! I thoroughly loved spending time talking and drinking coffee with her! We found common ground in our interest, life experiences and the way we both guarded our relationships.
I loved this lady! She lived so many lives in one lifetime and I learned so much knowledge from her! I will truly miss this beautiful lady* 💕

Traci Enos - January 25 at 12:31 PM

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“ *Carol was my first motherinlaw & grandmother of my 2 children loved her dearly she willed b missed loved her dearly rest in peace now*

Sandra clark - January 23 at 07:55 PM