



## Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury

March 9, 1947 - February 12, 2018

Funeral services for Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury, 70, of Carthage, Texas will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 17, 2018 at the Southside Baptist Church with the Shrewsbury Family officiating. Burial will follow in Walton Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Friday night at Hawthorns.

Mrs. Janet Gail Gilman Shrewsbury was born March 9, 1947 in Lenore, W. Virginia to Burl and Gracie Bartram Gilman and passed from her earthly body, February 12, 2018. She was raised and schooled in Lenore, graduating with the high school class of 1964. Janet obtained her associate degree, from Beacon College in Columbus, Georgia, through their C.L.S.T. program. She married the love of her life Arnold Shrewsbury April 18, 1965 and they would spend a lifetime together as loving spouses, parents, and disciples in the ministry. Mrs. Shrewsbury worked for the State of Ohio in the Adjutant Generals Dept. of the Dept. of Civil Defense and the Dept. of Taxation for much of her career. She served as the Executive Director for Mission Carthage. It was her compassion, loving nature and caring that exemplified her love for the Carthage community. If Carthage and Panola County had a face to represent its caring nature, it would be the face of Janet Shrewsbury, she fed the hungry, cared for the addicted, always putting needs of others before her own. Janet authored two books "Shadows Over The Steeple" and "Set Free" She and husband Arnold pastored the River of Life Worship Center. She is preceded in death by her brother, Troy Mayhon.

Mrs. Shrewsbury is survived by her loving husband, Arnold Shrewsbury of Carthage, son, Stephen Arnold Shrewsbury and wife Mary of Bradenton, FL, daughter, Kelly Jean Robinson and husband Woody of Carthage, grandchildren, Justin Rhodes of Hallsville, Ashley Grace Rhodes of Cambodia, Amy Canzonetta of Warren, OH, Gina Canzonetta of Tampa, FL, Samson Robinson and wife Jamie of Dallas, Adam Robinson and wife Kassie of Dallas, great grandchildren, Thomas and Sophia Holko, best friend, Carloyn Bradley of Carthage, numerous other relatives and a host of friends. Special thanks to Heartsway Hospice and her nurses, Nicki Causey and Jana Mc Daniel for their loving care.

Serving as pallbearers will be; Stephen Arnold Shrewsbury, Woody Robinson, Jeramy Derrick, Justin Rhodes, Adam Robinson, Roger Hunter and Von Vernon. The family requests in lieu of flowers memorials be made to Mission Carthage, P.O. Box 1208, Carthage, TX 75633. An online guestbook may be signed at [www.hawthornfuneralhome.com](http://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Walton Cemetery

339 CR 227  
Carthage, TX 75633

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel  
307 W Wellington St.  
Carthage, Tx

## Service

FEB 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

Southside Baptist Church  
1218 S. Market Street  
Carthage, TX

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ I really miss Janet. She is one of a kind, so understanding and fun!!! I love Janet and her family. They are a fine example of a true Christian heart family. Love, Donna Mixon (was Briery)

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**Donna Briery Mixon** - September 04, 2018 at 04:17 PM

PL

“ Janet has been one of my favorite patients. In spite of the various medical conditions that affected her, she bore the discomfort and pain with dignity and never complained. She was a woman who truly lived the faith she spoke of. My thoughts to Arnold and the family. So sorry for your loss.

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**Perry Lewis** - February 23, 2018 at 05:30 PM

DB

“ Janet was our friend. She will be missed very much. Don and Margaret Bates

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**Don Bates** - February 17, 2018 at 11:32 AM

KF

“ Dear Arnold & Family, We are so heartbroken to learn of Janet's passing! But we do know that she wouldn't leave Heaven now that she is so Blessed to be there, she will be Worshiping Our Savior & waiting on each of you to join her there!! We Love You All & Please know our Prayers are with you all! May God Hold You In His Loving Arms & May You Feel Him there with you always!! Love & Prayers from Kim & Harold Fields

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**Kim Fields** - February 16, 2018 at 11:19 PM

HF

*Words are never enough Brother but Jesus is! Peace...*

**HR Fields** - February 16, 2018 at 11:23 PM

JS

*Praying for you during this time of sorrow God will take care of you*

**Joyce Starks** - February 17, 2018 at 11:27 AM

LR

“ *Laura Raynor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury*



**Laura Raynor** - February 16, 2018 at 05:36 PM

KH

“ *Kim Henigan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury*



**Kim Henigan** - February 16, 2018 at 04:26 PM

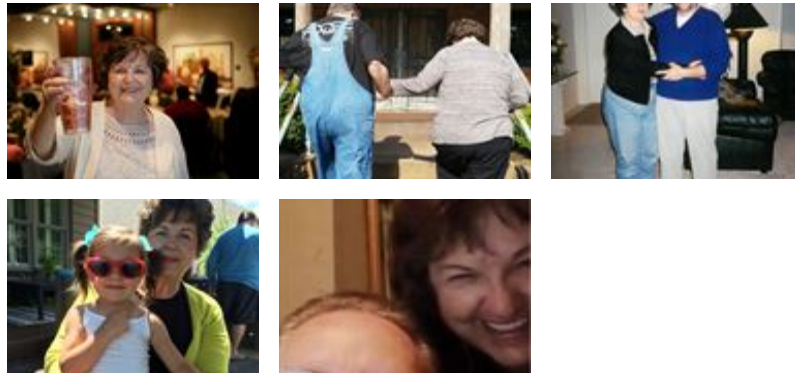
JM

“ *Thank you Ms. Janet for all the kindness you showed my daughter, Amanda "Victoria" when she was at Mission Carthage. Prayers for the family, Jeannie McClanahan*

**Jeannie McClanahan** - February 16, 2018 at 03:32 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - February 16, 2018 at 02:35 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury.



February 16, 2018 at 12:58 PM



“ Janet was an amazing mentor and helper in every area of life and a wonderful teacher and writer. She was more than a pastor's wife, she was the Church. Love and blessings to her family. Vina L. Hathaway



Vina Hathaway - February 16, 2018 at 09:01 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury.*



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February 15, 2018 at 10:29 PM



“ *Dear, sweet Janet...my friend. To say Janet was special doesn't express it. All the years I knew her she always gave of herself. She faced a lot of medical issues and even when she may have been discouraged she never allowed it to be her persona. I spent a lot of time with Janet in our younger years. Once they stayed with us while waiting for their new house to be built. Janet encouraged me when I was down about finances while expecting our first child (he's 45 years old now). She claimed him as her God child. She told me there was going to be an issue at delivery but it would be alright. She was right...and it was alright...God provided. She taught me to make fried chicken because Mike loved her fried chicken! We laughed for hours, we four....Janet, Arnold, Mike and I. I have wonderful memories of two remarkable, warm, friendly people I met when they were 18 and I was 19! We became family and I am so honored that Father brought our paths together!*

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**Sharon Young Jebavy** - February 15, 2018 at 03:42 PM



“ *Freddy and Terry Dutton purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury.*



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**Freddy and Terry Dutton** - February 15, 2018 at 02:51 PM

RE

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.



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**Rev. James England** - February 15, 2018 at 02:50 PM

KJ

“ Janet Shrewsbury was such an awesome lady and I'm honored to call her "friend." She was vivacious, energetic, selfless, always concerned for others. We loved you, Janet. You will be missed by so many. ❤️🙏❤️

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**Katie Jackson** - February 15, 2018 at 11:26 AM

TJ

“ Janet is a wonderful friend and cousin; I am so proud that she served our Lord with such love and dedication. Now she is resting from her labors free from this world's troubles and woes. Janet, we are looking forward to our grand reunion up there with you. We send our love and condolences to you, Arnold, and all the family. Our prayers to you all. Absent from the body, present with the Lord. Praise His holy name!!!!

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**Thelma Jackson** - February 15, 2018 at 09:08 AM

HM

“ Janet was a high school friend of mine. She always had a sweet and kind personality. She was active socially and involved in every show and activity of our class. Even back then, Janet was a hard worker. It is no wonder that she has devoted her life to the ministry and helping others. I read both her books and was so proud to have known the author. I know this is a hard time for Arnold and his family, but know that my prayers of comfort are with you.

Helen Walters Muncy - February 15, 2018 at 08:58 AM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury.



February 15, 2018 at 08:36 AM

SH

“ My condolences to such a wonderful family. I loved Janet so much! I've never met such an upbeat person! She could have trials and tribulations and Janet would still be smiling and happy. I cut Janet's hair. She will be so missed!!!! I loved seeing her and her daughter together! Such sweet sweet people!



Staci Hansley

Staci Hansley - February 14, 2018 at 09:16 PM

LR

“ Linda And Randy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



Linda and Randy Robinson - February 14, 2018 at 08:29 PM

LR

“ I have been very blessed to call Janet my friend. Janet is an angel sent by God to this earth to show us all what it means to truly love your fellow man as Christ loved the church. She did this with kindness, forgiveness, compassion, and most of all Love for each and every one she ever met. We have ALL been blessed. The days ahead will be hard, but one day at the time with the LORD, will get you through. With Our Deepest Sympathy, Randy and Linda Robinson.

Linda and Randy Robinson - February 14, 2018 at 08:28 PM

PC

“ Janet will truly be missed in our small town. She has touched so many lives with her love for them. She told me a story of a little girl that came to the women's home once and took her by the hand and asked her if she was Jesus. We are all supposed to be like Jesus & share His love with all people, but Janet truly showed us all, the heart of Jesus in all she did. She loved helping people & people loved her. I've only known her a few years but I will always remember what she did & said about people. Janet Shrewsbury you will be missed.



Patricia Cooley - February 14, 2018 at 06:41 PM

MH

“ When we were little girls i went to Janet s home many times janets dad and my aunt elizabeth were brother and sister we played together when we were young children her mom gracy was the cook at my grade school Janet will be missed

Maralene Hundley - February 14, 2018 at 06:10 PM

MH

“ Maralene Hundley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



Maralene Hundley - February 14, 2018 at 06:05 PM

JS

“ A shining example of God's love to everyone that knew her. Janet will be missed.

Julie Stewart - February 14, 2018 at 12:08 PM

DR

“ An inspiration for all - a example of Love .

Don Ransom - February 14, 2018 at 09:11 AM

IC

“ When people think of Janet, they will have a smile on their face. She and my brother, Arnold, have a wonderful legacy in Stephen and Kelly. She will be truly missed but really will live on in all of us in one way or another. I pray for comfort for all in the coming days. Love....



Imogene Cogar - February 14, 2018 at 08:52 AM

SS

“ *She was God’s Angel here on Earth.*



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**Sharon (Dempsey) Sutters** - February 13, 2018 at 11:56 PM

PP

“ *Pam Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury*



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**Pam Patterson** - February 13, 2018 at 10:51 PM

GH

“ *Gail Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury*



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**Gail Hall** - February 13, 2018 at 10:17 PM

BE

“ Janet showed us what "being Christ like" was all about....I believe she looked at people through her Father's eyes, she saw the finished product, without judgement. Because she was transparent with her own life, sharing with all who would listen, she won many souls to the Lord. Bro. Arnold, my heart breaks for you and your precious family, for the absence of her physically being with you, but I can only imagine what joy she is experiencing right now. If our Heavenly Father has a favorite(which I know He doesn't) but, if He did, I know who he would pick....our community's sweet Janet Shrewsbury. We loved her dearly. Becky Eubank



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**Becky** - February 13, 2018 at 07:51 PM

AM

“ Ann Morris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



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**Ann Morris** - February 13, 2018 at 06:43 PM

AM

*Janet was truly a Proverbs 31 woman.*

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**Ann Morris** - February 13, 2018 at 06:44 PM

ME

“ The day Janet came into and became part of my life is the day I was changed. And I have been forever changed by her sermon that day... "a fathers love".

*She explained to me one day the story of HOW she "received" that sermon; Her and Carolyn where headed to a book signing (I believe somewhere around Dallas) on Saturday, when the Holy Spirit told her to write the sermon, she told me that she had already written her sermon for that Sunday and she was busy Really busy that day with the book signing and on the way home that evening the Lord kept on telling her write "this" message, finally she gave in and wrote "this" one. She told me she walked onto the pulpit with BOTH sermons in her hand still not knowing which or why she had had been told to write "this" message....I remember her looking around the congregation and her eyes landed on me, eye to eye we looked at each other....she smiled and she knew now "why" God had told her to write "this" sermon. She told me "it was all for you Margaret".*

*I am so glad that she listened to and obeyed God, for that message changed my life! She was the hands and feet of Jesus in my life and I have shared this story 100's of times. Now she is sitting at the feet of Jesus forever singing His praises. I will always love and remember your love for me; Go Rest High On That Mountain Janet, your work on earth is done.*

*~Margaret Ellison*

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**Margaret Ellison** - February 13, 2018 at 03:24 PM

LF

“ Love, Margaret Ellison and family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury.



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**Love, Margaret Ellison and family** - February 13, 2018 at 02:54 PM

ME

“ Margaret Ellison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



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**Margaret Ellison** - February 13, 2018 at 02:21 PM

KB

“ Ms. Janet was a Wonderful compassionate person. She was always there when my family needed her. The Lord received a great worker of his in heaven!!!



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**Kathy Brown** - February 13, 2018 at 02:12 PM

CH

“ To know her was to love her.



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**Charlotte** - February 13, 2018 at 01:27 PM

LT

“ Arnold, condolences to you and your family. Of course, it is you that I worked with for so many years; I just interacted with Janet occasionally. I was always impressed with both her personality and ability, but one time stands out. At that time, Heart'sWay's chaplains were meeting quarterly (I think) with the executive director for a morning meeting which began with breakfast. After several restaurant venues, Ed invited us to his home for breakfast, and served an excellent meal. I followed, trying to top Ed. Jokingly, I challenged you to top our efforts. To my surprise, without even checking with Janet, you quickly accepted the challenge. On the morning of the meeting, I found out why. Without apparent effort Janet presented us with a breakfast fit for a king, the most sumptuous breakfast banquet I have ever had and she did so with such a gracious spirit of hospitality that we were all charmed beyond measure.

I knew of her talents as author and manager (you had told me), but you had never mentioned her culinary talents. Everyone is aware of how much Janet did for church and community and how greatly she will be missed, but that morning tells me how much her loving spirit will be missed by you and your family.

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Larry Tyler - February 13, 2018 at 01:19 PM

PW

“ PAM WORKS lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



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PAM WORKS - February 13, 2018 at 11:11 AM

TB

“ I remember being in one of the Ladies Bible Study Groups that she led in her home when I was just a young adult. She had so much wisdom to share with us regarding how to be a Godly Woman; even in the midst of turmoil of everyday life. She always had a smile on her face and a warm embrace for people. She will surely be missed.

Teresa Barr - February 13, 2018 at 10:49 AM

Bryan  
N Karen  
Tarjick

“ A servant's heart, passionate believer, & a heart for ministry and His people. All these only shallowly describe Miss Janet. She will always be remembered & greatly missed this side of heaven until we meet up once again in our eternal home. Praying for you Pastor Arnold and all of the family. May our Father surround you all with His comfort, peace and grace now and beyond.

Bryan N Karen Tarjick - February 13, 2018 at 10:37 AM

TB

“ Teresa Barr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



Teresa Barr - February 13, 2018 at 10:34 AM

CN

“ Christy Jo Nail lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury



Christy Jo Nail - February 13, 2018 at 10:23 AM

CF

“ *Cindy Figley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Shrewsbury*



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**cindy figley** - February 13, 2018 at 01:31 AM