



Mrs. Joyce Sullivan Barrett

September 26, 1943 - February 24, 2025

Funeral services for Mrs. Joyce Barrett, 81, of Carthage, Texas will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 2025 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Kirby Hill officiating. Her ashes will be interred in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Friday at Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Mrs. Joyce Bernice Sullivan Barrett was born September 26, 1943, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She passed this life peacefully February 24, 2025, in Tyler, Texas. Joyce was one of seven children born to the marriage of Inis Bernice Williams and Frank Jefferson Sullivan. She was raised and schooled in Odessa and Kermit, graduating from Kermit High School. She was a graduate of Panola College and obtained her Bachelors of Education through Stephen F. Austin State University.

Joyce married her love Charles Wayne Barrett June 11, 1961 and together they celebrated 58 years of marriage and raised two children before he preceded her in death in 2019. Mrs. Barrett worked as a bookkeeper for C.R. Anthony, a rural mail carrier for the U.S. Post Office in Carthage. She spent many years as a real estate broker before pursuing her dream of becoming a teacher. She served as a reading resource teacher and reading specialist at Center Junior for two years and then for Jefferson Junior High until her retirement.

Joyce and Charles were both longtime members of Southside Baptist Church. She was active in her Xi Chi Lambda sorority, serving as president in 1987-1988. Most of all, she loved her family and her pet dog Boomer. Her life revolved around her husband Charles, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She is also preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Johnny and Aubrey Dale Sullivan; sisters, Carolyn Harrison and Barbara Cargal.

Mrs. Barrett is survived by her devoted children daughter, Laura Barrett of Carthage; son, David Barrett of Holly Lake Ranch; sisters, Frankie Davis of Somerville, Norma Davis and husband Norman of Odessa; sister-in-law, Teresa Sullivan of Carrollton; grandchildren, Seth Barrett and wife Jessica of Holly Lake Ranch, Dana Rodriguez and husband David of Tyler, Shelby Freeland and husband Jackson of Tyler; four great grandchildren and two on the way; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Cemetery Details

Odd Fellows Cemtery

Carthage, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Joyce Sullivan Barrett



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“ If Joyce told you what to do, she always did it out of love. That was the type of person she was.



Sherri Morrison - February 27, 2025 at 05:33 PM

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“ Sherri Morrison purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Joyce Sullivan Barrett.



Sherri Morrison - February 27, 2025 at 03:12 PM



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Love you, Mama! Will see you again in Heaven, but will miss you until then!

Sherri Morrison - February 27, 2025 at 03:06 PM

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“ -- purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Mrs. Joyce Sullivan Barrett.



-- - February 27, 2025 at 11:53 AM

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“ Carrie V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joyce Bernice Barrett.

Carrie V. - February 26, 2025 at 10:44 PM

KG

“ Kathy Gollmitzer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joyce Sullivan Barrett



Kathy Gollmitzer - February 26, 2025 at 05:35 PM



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