



## Mrs. Rhonda Lee Cariker

September 20, 1960 - January 20, 2021

Rhonda Lee Asher Cariker started her life's journey on September 20, 1960 in Cody, Wyoming. Her parents William & Winifred Asher were blessed to have her join their family. After her father's untimely death, a move to El Paso made her a proud Texan. Her mother met & married Floyd Strother and her brother Bill was added to her life four years later.

Rhonda's educational path led her to attending El Paso schools and graduating from Eastwood High School with the class of 1978 and International Business College in 1980. Rhonda was an excellent flutist in her beloved Eastwood High School band. Since 1976 she loved singing in the musical performances at Cielo Vista Church and performing in the El Paso Christmas Pageant at the church for 24 years.

A key scripture which inspired her life was, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not to your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." This path led her to teach high school science at Northeast Christian Academy for 10 years. She was an attendance clerk for Marion Manor Elementary for 9 years and a teacher assistant in special education at Bel Air High School for 7 years. Lastly, for 8 years she stepped into an administrative assistant role at AVX Technology. Her life verse, Proverbs 3:5-6, led her and Rod to minister to singles at Cielo Vista Church for 25 years.

Family left to cherish her memory are her husband of almost 40 years, Rod Cariker, of El Paso; brother Bill Strother and his wife Sue and nephews, Justin

and Kyle Strother, of Alamogordo, NM; mother-in-law Joy Cariker and sister-in-law Donna Cariker of Carthage, TX; daughter Irene Haight & husband Todd and granddaughter Jocelyn of Milford, CT. Preceding her in death are her father William Asher, mother Winifred Asher-Juen, step-father Floyd Strother, and father-in-law Johnny Cariker.

Rhonda's journey ended after a 4-year battle with breast cancer on January 20, 2021 at home in El Paso.

Graveside services for Rhonda Cariker will be held 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at the Long Branch Cemetery with Dr. Ray Brooks and Rev. Paul Guinn officiating. Visitation will be 10-12:00 p.m. at Hawthorn Funeral Home Wednesday morning prior to the graveside service with burial to follow under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be made in Rhonda's name to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Long Branch Cemetery

696 CR 161  
Long Branch, TX 75669

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 3. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

## Graveside Service

FEB 3. 12:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Jan Hall Cox lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Rhonda Lee Cariker*



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**Jan Hall Cox** - February 02, 2021 at 02:16 PM

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“ *Joy, Donna and family,  
We are so sorry to hear about the death of Rhonda. Cherish the good times and keep her memory alive in your hearts. We are sorry that we can not be with you during this time. Please know that we have you in our thoughts and prayers. With much love,  
The Jerry Don Dorman Family ~ Isaiah 40:31  
Jerry, Pat, Jeremy, Lance and family*



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**Jerry Don and Pat Edens Dorman** - January 31, 2021 at 09:31 PM