



Carol Dee Garrison

December 23, 1940 - February 10, 2026

Carol Dee Garrison, 85, passed away on February 10, 2026, in Ada, Oklahoma.

Carol was born on December 23, 1940, in Dos Palos, California, to Oscar and Vivian (Rogers) Simmons. She graduated from Narbonne High School in the Harbor City area of Los Angeles, California, in 1958.

On April 24, 1972, she married Kenneth Garrison in Miami, Oklahoma. Carol worked as a billing clerk at U.S. Silica for many years before retiring in 1996. She attended the Pentecostal Holiness Church in Mill Creek and was a faithful member of her community.

Carol was known for her warm heart, strong work ethic, and love for family. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, shopping, flipping through the Sears and Roebuck catalogs, and walking in the Sulphur park with her dear friend, Nita Patrick. She was especially known for making the best stew, chicken fried steak, and her unforgettable homemade hot rolls.

One of the greatest highlights of her life was working alongside her companion, Mel Lindel, and a host of wonderful cooks at the Mill Creek Senior Citizens Center, where they lovingly prepared meals for the elderly. She taught her family that the most important thing in life is to love and respect your mother and father — a lesson that will carry on for generations.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Vivian Simmons; her husband, Kenneth Garrison; and companion, Mel Lindel.

Those she leaves to cherish her memory are her sons, Jerry Wood and wife Debbie, and Jimmie Wood and wife Anne; daughter, Janet Quaid and husband Keith; sister, Loletta "Fay" Ditmeyer; brother, Norby Simmons; grandchildren, Brittany Wood and Lauren Unwin and husband Raymond; great-grandchildren, Dayton Wood and Raelynn Unwin; along with a host of other family and friends.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 13, 2026, at Mill Creek Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Wood, Jimmie Wood, Raymond Unwin, Chad Chancellor, Keith Quaid, Chase Smith, Roger Patrick, and Benning Walling.

Cemetery Details

Mill Creek Cemetery

Mill Creek, OK

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mill Creek Cemetery
Mill Creek, OK

Tribute Wall

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“ Carol was a beautiful woman inside and out. What a glorious reunion she had with Papaw Kenneth and her parents. Sending my prayers to her kids, her grands and brother. I'm thankful for the kindness and Mill Creek memories she gave.



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“ Aunt Carol gave the best hugs ever! I always told her she was my Favorite Aunt! She loved to go shopping. When we'd visit she kept us busy sightseeing, shopping, & eating out. When we would go shopping she would wonder off to look on her own; we'd end up chasing each other around the store trying to find each other! She liked eating out, & stopping for a malt. She especially loved her desserts (like her sister!). We loved it when she'd come to visit us. Our family would always try to get all of us together at least once so everyone could spend some time with her. When Aunt Carol & Mom (Fay) would get to spend some quality time together, they were like two teenage girls, laughing, talking & being mischievous! It was fun to see them enjoy each other so much. I wish they could've spent more time together, but life happened & kept them apart most of the time. Aunt Carol was dearly loved by many; her family, Jerry, Jan & Jim (Buss), her sister Loleta Fay, & Fay's family. Aunt Carol will be missed by all of her family, friends, & acquaintances.
May the Lord Bless & give Carol the Peace she so deserves!
With love & sorrow,
Fay (Sister), Barb & Larry Lindsey, Dan & Jackie Ditmeyer, Angie Grassmuck, Jerry Ditmeyer, Karen & Greg Farmer, Holly Whaley, Drew Whaley, Rich Smalley, Amber Hutsler, & Kimberly Owens



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