



Marcia Gail Reynolds

June 29, 1935 - June 18, 2023

Marcia Gail Reynolds, 87, died Sunday, June 18, 2023, at Teal Creek Senior Living in Edmond, OK. Memorial services will be held Saturday, July 22nd, at 11:00 A.M., at First Presbyterian Church in Bartlesville, OK, with Rev. Kristy Rodgers officiating. The Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Marcia was born on June 29, 1935, in Pampa, Texas, to Harry and Wilma Hoare. The family moved to Amarillo in 1941 for her father's job as a sports writer and editor at The Amarillo Globe. Marcia graduated from Amarillo High School in 1953, then attended Texas Tech as an English major and was very active in her Delta Gamma Sorority, as well as working at the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal newspaper. While attending Texas Tech, Marcia married James "Jim" Theodore Reynolds in 1955 in Amarillo. In 1956, James began a 36-year career with Phillips 66 and throughout their marriage they would reside in Kansas City, MO; Bedminster, NJ; Salt Lake City, UT; Bartlesville, OK; Indianapolis, IN; and Houston, TX, returning to Bartlesville in 1974. Their son Brad was born in Kansas City, MO, and their daughters Gail and Laura in Summit, NJ. Throughout these years Marcia was highly involved in her children's activities and was very active in numerous organizations, including Allied Arts & Humanities as a charter member, Choral Society as a board member, writing newspaper publicity articles for Bartlesville Children's Music Theatre, Delta Gamma Alumni, and PEO. She and James were members of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church for 35 years. Among her many roles at Good Shepherd, Marcia sang in the choir alongside James and taught the

children's choir. In 2009 she began attending First Presbyterian Church of Bartlesville, where she became a member. Among the activities that brought her great joy were reading, singing in the choir, playing piano, watching Jeopardy, as well as crossword and jigsaw puzzles; however, the activity that brought her the most joy was reading alongside her adored dog Bear. She read every book she could get her hands on, on endless subjects. Her love of books led her to work on Mondays at The Book Rack in Bartlesville, a job she absolutely loved. In addition to her love for reading, what her family and friends will lovingly remember about Marcia is her quick wit and sense of humor. She was always quick to make people laugh, most of all James. Marcia was an avid Texas Tech fan and always loved flying her school flag proudly on game days. Marcia is survived by her son Brad Alan Reynolds (Margaret) of Edmond, OK, daughter Gail Elaine Benedict of Jenks, OK, and daughter Laura Christine Bergstrom (Jim) of Edmond, OK. She is also survived by six adult grandchildren, Zachary Benedict (Ashley) of Edmond, OK, Chase Benedict (Chelsea) of Sapulpa, OK, James Alan Reynolds of Hercules, CA, Sarah Reynolds and Samantha Reynolds of Edmond, OK, and Amanda Bergstrom of Tulsa, OK. She is also survived by two great-grandchildren, Bonnie Benedict of Edmond, OK, and Noah Benedict of Sapulpa, OK. Also by sister-in-law, Mary Lovelace of Dallas, TX, and many loved nieces and nephews. Marcia was predeceased by her beloved husband James, her parents, and her brother Robert "Bob" Behrends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to CONCERN, 333 SE Penn, Bartlesville, OK 74003; St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN. www.stjude.org/donate First Presbyterian Church, Bartlesville, OK. <https://fpcbok.org/give/>.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Memorial Park Cemetery
4200 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Memorial Service

JUL **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
505 Dewey Avenue
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Marcia Gail Reynolds.

July 20, 2023 at 03:40 PM



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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marcia Gail Reynolds.



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JM

“ I have many memories, but my favorites were the many times I would call my mom to ask about her day. She always began with the news that she had received a call from Marcia. Marcia just spread sunshine.

John McCracken - July 06, 2023 at 10:55 AM

 Louann Buhlinger

“ Marcia was like Aunt Marcia to me. The Reynolds' and Buhlinger's moved with Phillips Petroleum from Bartlesville, to Dallas, to Houston and back to Bartlesville all about the same time. Gail, Laura and Brad are like cousins to me. Blessings and Godspeed, Aunt Marcia!



Louann Buhlinger - July 03, 2023 at 08:12 PM

MR

“ My mom, Anne Rawlins, was a sorority sister with Marcia. In 1999, Marcia and Jim went on a cruise Mom asked all of us kids and spouses to join her. we got to know them, and took turns eating with them at the next table. After Jim died, Marcia reached out to me to stay connected on FB. She was a delightful, kind person. I'm sure you all will miss her very much. With deepest sympathy, Mary Rawlins Ramzel

mary Ramzel - June 22, 2023 at 06:20 PM

GB

Hi Mary, what a wonderful memory to share about mom and dad! I remember them going on the cruise, but didn't remember this story. I'm so glad you all got to know them, and especially that our moms were sorority sisters! How sweet of mom to reach out to you after dad passed. We do miss her so much already, thank you for sharing this and making us smile!

Gail Benedict - June 26, 2023 at 06:00 PM

JO

Marcia was a wonderful support for me during a difficult time when I was the Associate Pastor at Good Shepherd. She and Jim were very helpful when I first came to Bartlesville. My condolences to her family who meant so much to her. She will surely be missed by them.

Jerri Olszewski - July 16, 2023 at 07:49 PM