



## Carolyn Sue Quillin

July 16, 1949 - September 26, 2025

Born in Pawhuska, Oklahoma on July 16, 1949, Carolyn Sue Quillin (Wade) was the first of five children for Turk and Betty Wade. The spunk and feisty nature was present at an early age and carried over into adulthood.

Carolyn started her early education in Barnsdall, but soon moved to Pawhuska where she attended school until she graduated with the class of 1967. Upon graduation, she enrolled at the University of Tulsa, before moving onto Oklahoma State University with her younger sister, Marilyn. During her time in Stillwater, she started dating another Pawhuska grad, Carl Quillin, who had recently returned home following his service in the Air Force. Their love blossomed and on March 19, 1971 they were married in a small ceremony in the presence of their families.

With marriage, and a job transfer for Carl, they soon found themselves in Bartlesville. The first of three children, Jennifer, was born in March of 1972. This fiery redhead would be the self proclaimed “favorite daughter.” Shortly after Jennifer's birth, the family found themselves in a familiar location, as they relocated to Pawhuska. In April 1975, the first son, Jason, was born. The last of the three children, Joshua, was born in June of 1980. As the family grew, Carolyn's passion for cooking and baking grew. She was a member of the home demonstration club, Daughters of the American Revolution, and several others.

The summer of 1987 brought change for the family as they moved to Skiatook. Life was changing fast as she had children in 2nd grade, 7th grade

and a sophomore in high school. Carolyn decided it was time to restart her formal education and she returned to school for X-Ray tech. After school, she began working at Tulsa Regional Medical Center. Her passion for her new career showed as she excelled at this job. Eventually she added mammography tech to her resumé.

Carolyn, along with Carl, became grandparents for the first time to another fiery redhead in March of 1994. Carolyn watched as her oldest Jennifer was married and moved to Arkansas and new adventures with her own family. This grandchild held a special place with Carolyn as it wasn't until 1998 before a second grandchild, Garrett, would come along.

In the summer of 1995, Carl and Carolyn and Josh moved between Pawnee and Cleveland, as the older children had moved out of the house as they pursued new adventures in life. Carolyn started working in Stillwater at this time continuing her love for the medical field.

In 1999, her oldest son, Jason married, and another grandchild, Hunter followed in 2000. Carolyn had a career change and started working for SBC. She loved this job and was even the union rep for her group. Around this same time, Carl and Carolyn had moved back to Skiatook soon being empty nesters as the youngest child moved away for college. Life was moving fast. By 2003, Jason and his family had also moved to Arkansas and Josh had moved to Kansas. All her children were out of state and the fourth grandchild Hannah, was added to Jason's growing family.

In 2004 Mason was the final addition to Jennifer's family and the fifth grandchild added to the ever growing family tree. This was also the year Carolyn had to say goodbye to her beloved father T.S. (Turk) Wade. They had always had a close bond and an unbreakable love for father & daughter. With the busy lives and the distances between families, Carolyn strived to make family gatherings unforgettable with meals that were fit for kings and enough to feed armies. She made every effort to cater to everyone's favorite food reinforcing her passion for cooking and baking. She also threw neighborhood halloween cookout/parties that drew droves of neighbors.

Eventually the youngest son, Josh would move back to Oklahoma and would be the last to get married in 2007 and eventually moving a few miles from Carolyn and Carl. He had an English Bulldog that was a pampered princess as he and his wife had no children at the time. In July 2011 the bulldog had pups and Carolyn and Carl fell in love with one pup named Nellie. As both Carolyn and Carl were now retired, this dog captured their hearts and was spoiled rotten. Nellie went all their adventures with them from car rides, visits, and trips to Lowes.

In 2012, the family tree began to grow more branches as Josh's family had an addition with Baron. This was the sixth grandchild. In 2015, the first and only great grandchild, Krew, was born to Kyndra. A mere 7 months later in 2016, the final grandchild was born as Brady was added to Josh's family.

Carolyn eventually had to say goodbye to Nellie, only to find love in her heart for another dog. A rescue of sorts with Annie. Although these dogs were very different, their ability to be spoiled was very much the same. If you were making plans, you better plan around the dogs! From nail appointments and grooming to the best beds they could find. Those dogs lived the life of queens. Annie still walks the house missing Carolyn.

As the years passed she had to watch both her parents, her inlaws and even two siblings pass into the pearly gates of heaven. However, she found solace in her passions for family, Oklahoma State football, religion and even her fiery political views that she was quick to share with you. She loved her family (and dogs) with everything she could offer and was quick to help when needed. She wasn't afraid to roll her sleeves up and get to work whether volunteering, gardening, or anything else. She kept snack cabinets for the grandkids, and passed out fresh grown vegetables like the prizes they were.

Carolyn passed from this earth on September 26, 2025. She is survived by her husband of 54 plus years, Carl Quillin. Her oldest daughter Jennifer Meeker, oldest son Jason and wife Amanda, and youngest Joshua and wife Ashley. She is also survived by her grandchildren. Jennifer's children, Kyndra

(31) and her husband Dylan Kinney, along with great grandchild Krew (9), Garrett Meeker (27) and Mason Meeker (21). Jason's children, Hunter (25) and Hannah (22). Joshua's children, Baron (13) and Brady (9). She is also survived by her younger sisters Marilyn Dorsey and Christy Moodie as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members. She will also be missed by her beloved dog Annie.

She was preceded in death by her Parents T.S. (Turk) and Betty Wade, her brother Kelly Wade, sister Terry Collins, and in-laws, Carl and Violet Quillin. She is also preceded by her beloved English Bulldog, Nellie who will join her in her eternal resting spot.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *She was my sister for 74 years. Praying for her and her family. I love you and will miss you. Until we see each other again* ”



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**Marilyn** - September 28, 2025 at 12:14 AM